BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities' Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff Filing

Case No. GR-2016-0075

STAFF REPLY TO LIBERTY UTILITIES' RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and replies as follows to the *Liberty Utilities' Response to Staff Recommendation* filed herein by Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities ("Liberty" or "Company"):

1. Staff filed its Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") Recommendation in this case concerning Liberty's 2014-2015 ACA filing on December 8, 2016. In its ACA Recommendation, Staff recommended certain adjustments to the Company's filed ACA balances and also requested the Company respond to certain other recommendations.

2. Liberty filed *Liberty Utilities' Response to Staff Recommendation* ("Response") on January 23, 2017. Also on January 23, 2017, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Staff to Reply* ("Order") to Liberty's Response no later than February 2, 2017.

 Staff has reviewed the Company's Response and finds the Response acceptable. Staff and Company agree on the ACA balances for all of the Company's Missouri service areas.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order establishing Liberty's ending ACA balances for the 2014-2015 ACA period as set forth

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in the Staff Recommendation Memorandum filed herein on December 8, 2016, and closing this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record this 2^{nd} day of February, 2017.

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