

**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' )  
Tariff Revisions Designed to Implement a ) **File No. GR-2018-0013**  
General Rate Increase for Natural Gas )  
Service in the Missouri Service Areas of the )  
Company )

**ORDER TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO CITIES AND COUNTIES  
OF RATE INCREASE**

Issue Date: July 13, 2018

Effective Date: July 13, 2018

Section 393.275.1, RSMo 2016, requires the Commission to notify the governing body of each city or county imposing a business license tax on gross receipts of any gas corporation of any approved rate increase for that gas corporation that exceeds seven percent. Further, the statute requires the Commission to:

include with such notice to any city or county the percentage increase approved for the utility, together with an estimate of the annual increase in gross receipts resulting from the tariff increase on customers residing in that city or county.

Section 393.275.2, RSMo 2016, requires the taxing authority to reduce its tax rate to reduce the amount of revenue collected under the tax, unless it chooses to maintain its tax rate.

On June 6, 2018, the Commission approved a stipulation and agreement that allowed Liberty Utilities to increase the company's annual revenues from its provision of natural gas service by more than seven percent in its WEMO district. Liberty Utilities' tariff sheets to implement the allowed rate increase went into effect on July 1.

On July 12, as required by the statute and Commission regulations, Liberty Utilities submitted a list of the cities and counties within its WEMO district that impose a business license tax on its gross receipts, along with an estimate of the annual increase in gross receipts resulting from the rate increase on customers residing in that city or county. That list and revenue increase estimate is attached to this order.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Commission's Data Center shall mail a copy of this order to each city or county identified by Liberty Utilities.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018.

**Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities**  
**Docket GR-2018-0013**  
**WEMO - Gross Receipts Tax Estimate**  
**Appendix A**

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>
CITY OF ADRIAN	P O BOX 246	ADRIAN	MO	64720
CITY OF APPLETON CITY	114 EAST 4TH STREET	APPLETON CITY	MO	64724
CITY OF ARCHIE	PO BOX 346	ARCHIE	MO	64725
CITY OF HARRISONVILLE	PO BOX 367	HARRISONVILLE	MO	64701
CITY OF HUME	PO BOX 401	HUME	MO	64752
CITY OF MONTROSE	PO BOX 72	MONTROSE	MO	64770
CITY OF PASSAIC	296 N. W. State Rt F	BUTLER	MO	64730
CITY OF RICH HILL	PO BOX 30	RICH HILL	MO	64779
CITY OF BUTLER	PO BOX 420	BUTLER	MO	64730

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<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Franchise Fees Paid 01- 2017 to 12-2017</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>% of Avg Rate Increase Authorized by Division</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Increase in Franchise Fees</u>
CITY OF ADRIAN	\$ 18,770.23	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 2,295.60
CITY OF APPLETON CITY	\$ 8,298.33	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 1,014.89
CITY OF ARCHIE	\$ 9,422.51	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 1,152.37
CITY OF HARRISONVILLE	\$ 65,861.64	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 8,054.88
CITY OF HUME	\$ 2,684.10	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 328.27
CITY OF MONTROSE	\$ 1,979.45	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 242.09
CITY OF PASSAIC	\$ 2,764.26	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 338.07
CITY OF RICH HILL	\$ 355.62	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 43.49
CITY OF BUTLER	\$ 3,961.57	WEMO	12.23%	\$ 484.50

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

**WITNESS** my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2018.



  
**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**July 13, 2018**

**File/Case No. GR-2018-0013**

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**Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).**

**Sincerely,**  


**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

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