## 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	)	File No. GT-2020-0055
Filing of its Revised Weather Normalization	)	
Adjustment Rider Tariff	)	Tracking No. JG-2020-0040

## THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO LIBERTY UTILITIES' TARIFF FILINGS FOR A WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT RIDER AND THE COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel and in response to the Commission's September 3, 2019 *Order Directing Staff Recommendation and Setting Time for Responses* respectfully states:

- 1. On August 30, 2019, Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities ("Liberty Utilities") filed its Revised Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider.
- 2. On September 3, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Staff Recommendation* and *Setting Time for Responses*. The Commission ordered Staff to file its *Recommendation* on September 11, and Public Counsel was also ordered to file its response on the 11<sup>th</sup> as well.
- 3. On September 11, at 1:00 p.m. Public Counsel received notice of Liberty Utilities' WNAR Substitute Filing Letter, supporting documents. Also on September 11 at 4 p.m. Staff filed its *Recommendation* stating the tariffs were filed in conformance with the Staff's informal recommendations to the Company and should be approved.
- 4. Public Counsel has reviewed the documents and does not oppose Commission authorization of the filed tariffs.

WHEREFORE Public Counsel states it does not oppose Liberty Utilities' tariff filing or the Commission's approval of the Weather Normalization Adjustment tariffs.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been e-mailed or mailed, via first-class United States Mail, postage pre-paid, to counsel of record this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

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