

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application                    )  
Of a Rate Increase                                    )  
For Indian Hills Utility Operating                )  
Company, Inc.    )

**Case No. WR-2017-0259**

**OBJECTION AND RESPONSE TO NON-UNANIMOUS STIPULATION AND  
AGREEMENT**

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (“Public Counsel” or “OPC”) and for OPC’s Objection and Response to Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement, states:

1. Earlier this afternoon, the Missouri Public Service Commission’s Staff (“Staff”) and Indian Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. (“Company”) filed a non-unanimous stipulation and agreement.
2. OPC was not made aware of this agreement until less than 24 hours prior to it being filed.
3. The positions taken by Staff and the Company will prejudice OPC’s due process rights and ability to prepare for the evidentiary hearing; however, OPC believes additional work on its part during the holiday can mitigate the prejudice of this late filing. OPC has reviewed the Commission’s calendar and does not believe delaying this hearing could be an available remedy.
4. As to the substance of the agreement, OPC has reviewed this filing, and for its response, OPC hereby objects to the non-unanimous stipulation and agreement.

**WHEREFORE**, OPC files its Objection and Response to Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement, and prays for whatever other relief the Commission deems as just and reasonable.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail or by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on November 22, 2017 to all counsel of record.

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