BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of
Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.,
and Missouri Utilities Company
for Elm Hills to Acquire Certain Water and
Sewer Assets of Missouri Utilities Company,
For a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity,
and, in Connection Therewith, To Issue
Indebtedness and Encumber Assets.

Files Nos. SM-2017-0150 and WM-2017-0151

<u>MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u> TO RESPOND TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COME NOW Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. ("Elm Hills") and the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), and for their Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to Staff Recommendation, state as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission):

1. The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its Staff Recommendation in this matter

on June 8, 2017. In the absence of an order to the contrary, Elm Hills and OPC would be

required to respond to the Staff Recommendation today.

- 2. Counsel for Staff, OPC, and Elm Hills have discussed the Staff Recommendation and issues may exist as a result of that Recommendation. A process for determining whether these issues can be addressed in a satisfactory way between the parties is underway. However, additional time will be needed to know the outcome of that process. Accordingly, Elm Hills and OPC request that the time for their response to the Staff Recommendation be extended until June 28, 2017, to allow for continuation of this process.
 - 3. Counsel for the Staff has indicated that Staff has no objection to this Motion.

WHEREFORE, Elm Hills and OPC respectfully request the Commission extend their time to respond to the Staff Recommendation until June 28, 2017.

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 June 19, 2017, to the following:

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