

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

In the Matter of the Assessment Against the)	
Public Utilities in the State of Missouri for the)	<u>Case No. AO-2020-XXXX</u>
Expenses of the Commission for the Fiscal Year)	
Commencing July 1, 2020.)	

**MOTION TO ESTABLISH CASE AND
ENTER ASSESSMENT ORDER**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the Commission's General Counsel, and hereby advises the Commission as follows:

1. In order to assist the Commission in meeting the requirements of Section 386.370, RSMo, for providing sufficient revenues to fund Commission operations. Staff has made an estimate of the expenses to be incurred by the Commission during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, reasonably attributable to the regulation of public utilities as provided in Chapters 386, 392 and 393, RSMo.

2. Staff has determined that based upon the legislative appropriation for FY-2021, the Commission's revenue need is \$21,820,479.

3. Staff has separately estimated the amount of expenses directly attributable to such regulation of each of the following groups of public utilities: electrical utilities, gas utilities, heating utilities, water utilities, sewer utilities and telephone utilities, as well as the amount of such expenses not directly attributable to any such group.

4. As provided by law, Staff subtracted from the need amount the Public Service Commission Fund's FY-2020 estimated unexpended balance

of \$2,893,232 as allocated to each group of public utilities, noted above, in proportion to the respective gross intrastate operating revenue of the respective groups during the calendar year of 2019. Staff also subtracted from the need amount the estimated reimbursement from the Federal Gas Safety program, \$600,000.

5. Staff has determined the amounts allocated to each such group of public utilities, net of said estimated unexpended fund balance and federal reimbursement as follows:

Electric	\$10,423,463
Gas	\$ 4,371,469
Steam/Heating	\$ 82,635
Water & Sewer	\$ 2,227,055
Telephone	\$ 1,222,625
TOTAL	\$18,327,247

6. Attached to this filing are three worksheets Staff prepared which detail the computations used to arrive at its estimates and the assessment calculations by public utility group.

7. Staff requests the Commission to direct its Budget and Fiscal Services Department to calculate the amount of assessment against each public utility for the next fiscal year. It further requests that the Commission direct its Director of Administration to render a statement of such assessment to each public utility on or before July 1, 2020, pursuant to 386.370, RSMo, with said assessment due and payable on or before July 15, 2020, or at the option of each public utility,

payable in equal quarterly installments on or before July 15, 2020, October 15, 2020, January 15, 2021 and April 15, 2021, as provided by law.

WHEREFORE, the Staff asks that the Commission open this case for the purpose of entering an Order with respect to the FY-2021 public utility assessments that adopts the cost estimates and assessment allocations contained in the worksheets prepared by Staff, directs the Commission's Budget and Fiscal Services Department to calculate the amount of assessment against each public utility, and further, directs its Director of Administration to render a statement of each public utilities assessment to each utility on or before July 1, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served, either electronically or by hand delivery or by First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this 12th day of June, 2020, on counsel for all of the parties of record herein.

/s/ Kevin A. Thompson

MO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
FY-2021 ASSESSMENT
CALCULATION OF **PSC** ASSESSMENT

FISCAL YEAR 2021 APPROPRIATIONS/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION APPROPRIATION	\$13,863,814	
OASDI	\$884,860	
STATE RETIREMENT, LTD INS & BASIC LIFE INS	\$2,751,163	
STATE MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$2,747,344	
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$196,636	
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$8,097	
		\$20,451,913
DEPT OF COMMERCE & INSURANCE-COST ALLOCATION	\$100,000	
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-COST ALLOCATION	\$197,628	
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION - LEASES	\$1,070,938	
		\$1,368,566
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS		\$21,820,479
LESS: ESTIMATED CASH BALANCE - PSC FUND		(\$2,893,232)
ESTIMATED D.O.T. GAS SAFETY RECEIPTS		(\$600,000)
FISCAL YEAR 2021 PSC ASSESSMENT		\$18,327,247

MO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
FY-2021 ASSESSMENT
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FUND (0607)
ESTIMATED PSC FUND CASH BALANCE JUNE 30, 2020

CASH BALANCE AT JULY 1, 2019	\$3,271,847
FY-2020 REVENUES	<u>\$17,953,754</u>
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	\$21,225,601
ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS JULY 1, 2019 - JUNE 30, 2020	
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION EXPENDITURES	\$11,766,249
OASDI	\$757,548
STATE RETIREMENT, LTD INS & BASIC LIFE INS	\$2,330,004
STATE MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$2,298,656
DCI-COST ALLOCATION	\$57,092
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-COST ALLOCATION	\$199,755
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-LEASES	\$922,308
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$0
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$757
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>\$18,332,369</u>
ESTIMATED PSC FUND CASH BALANCE 06/30/2020	<u><u>\$2,893,232</u></u>

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION(PSC)
FY 2021 ASSESSMENT
SUMMARY OF COST ALLOCATED TO TYPE OF UTILITY

	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9
	DIVISION/COST GROUP	TOTAL	ELECTRIC	GAS	STEAM/ HEAT	WATER & SEWER	TELEPHONE	COMMON
A	PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION	\$20,451,913	\$5,553,059	\$3,428,135	\$48,218	\$1,802,419	\$352,509	\$9,267,573
B	COMMERCE & INSURANCE-COST ALLOCATION	\$100,000	\$28,892	\$16,165	\$266	\$9,786	\$1,935	\$42,956
C	OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-LEASES	\$1,070,938	\$309,416	\$173,118	\$2,844	\$104,788	\$20,724	\$460,047
D	OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-COST ALLOCATION	\$197,628						\$197,628
E	TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$21,820,479	\$5,891,368	\$3,617,419	\$51,328	\$1,916,992	\$375,168	\$9,968,205
F	INTRASTATE REVENUE	\$7,745,454,990	\$4,961,593,598	\$1,482,370,907	\$34,274,558	\$339,447,149	\$927,768,778	
G	PERCENT TO TOTAL	100.0000%	64.0581%	19.1386%	0.4425%	4.3825%	11.9782%	
H	ALLOCATION OF COMMON		\$6,385,446	\$1,907,774	\$44,110	\$436,860	\$1,194,015	(\$9,968,205)
I	TOTAL PSC COSTS ALLOCATED	\$21,820,479	\$12,276,813	\$5,525,193	\$95,439	\$2,353,852	\$1,569,183	
J	LESS: PSC FUND CASH BALANCE	\$2,893,232	\$1,853,350	\$553,724	\$12,803	\$126,797	\$346,558	
K	LESS: EST. GAS SAFETY REIMB.	\$600,000		\$600,000				
L	FISCAL YEAR 2021 PSC ASSESSMENT	\$18,327,247	\$10,423,463	\$4,371,469	\$82,635	\$2,227,055	\$1,222,625	

ASSESSMENT % TO GROUP REVENUE
ASSESSMENT % TO TOTAL REVENUE

0.2366% 0.2101% 0.2949% 0.2411% 0.6561% 0.1318%