

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

In the Matter of the Application of Liberty)
Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC for Certificates of)
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to)
Install, Own, Acquire, Construct, Operate, Control,) Case No. _____
Manage, and Maintain a Water System and Sewer)
System in Bolivar, Polk County, Missouri)

NOTICE OF INTENDED CASE FILING

COMES NOW Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC (“Liberty Water”), and, pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017, submits this Notice of Intended Case Filing with regard to its intended application for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (“CCNs”) authorizing Liberty Water to install, own, acquire, construct, operate, control, manage, and maintain a water system and a sewer system in Bolivar, Polk County, Missouri. In this regard, Liberty Water respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the “Commission”):

1. Liberty Water is a Missouri limited liability company with its principal office located at 602 Joplin Street, Joplin, Missouri, 64801, and provides water and sewer services to customers in its Missouri service areas, as certificated by the Commission. Liberty Water is a “water corporation,” a “sewer corporation,” and a “public utility,” as those terms are defined by RSMo. §386.020 and, therefore, is subject to the general regulatory jurisdiction of the Commission as provided by law.

2. On January 30, 2020, Liberty Water filed its initial Notice of Intended Case Filing regarding the Bolivar systems, opening Commission Case Nos. WA-2020-0215 and SA-2020-0216. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017, those dockets will be closed on July 28,

2020, unless the CCN application is filed by that date. As explained below, Liberty Water will not be able to submit its CCN application in time to keep those dockets open.

3. At the time the initial Notice of Intended Case Filing was submitted, an election was scheduled for April 7, 2020, for voters in Bolivar to be asked to approve the transfer of the water and sewer systems currently owned and operated by the city of Bolivar, Missouri, to Liberty Water. This would have allowed ample time for Liberty Water to prepare and submit a CCN application following the election and within the timeframe allowed by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, however, the election was postponed from April 7 to June 2, 2020.

4. The election has now taken place, with voters approving the transfer of the water and wastewater systems and authorizing a franchise agreement, and Liberty Water may now move forward with its CCN application and related matters. As such, Liberty Water is submitting this second Notice of Intended Case Filing.

5. RSMo. §393.170 and §393.320 and Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-2.060, 20 CSR 4240-3.305, and 20 CSR 4240-3.600 govern these types of applications. Issues the Commission will be asked to consider and decide in the intended case are those that normally arise in applications filed under the referenced statutes and rules.

6. With regard to Rule 4.017(1) and the requirement that a 60-day filing notice include “a summary of all communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the ninety (90) days prior to filing the notice,” the Company verifies that there have been no ex parte communications regarding substantive issues likely to be in the intended case between Liberty Water and the office of the Commission within the 90 days prior to the filing of this Notice.

WHEREFORE, Liberty Water submits to the Commission this Notice of Intended Case Filing. The Company requests such relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 5th day of June, 2020, and sent by electronic transmission to the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel.

/s/ Diana C. Carter