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

In the Matter of Liberty's Application for	)	
Accounting Authority Orders Allowing the	)	Case Nos. EU-2021-0145, GU-2021-
Electric, Gas, Water, and Wastewater Utilities to	)	0146, WU-2021-0147, SU-2021-
Record and Preserve Costs Related to COVID-19	)	0148, and GU-2021-0149

## **MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

COME NOW The Empire District Electric Company ("EDE"), The Empire District Gas Company ("EDG"), Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC ("Liberty Water"), and Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. ("Midstates") (collectively, "Liberty"), and for their Motion for Extension of Time, respectfully state as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

- 1. Liberty filed its Application on September 17, 2020, requesting the issuance of AAOs permitting EDE, EDG, Liberty Water, and Midstates to identify, track, document, accumulate, and defer in regulatory assets from March 1, 2020, forward, certain costs and savings related to COVID-19 (Case No. AU-2021-0072).
- 2. On December 2, 2020, the Commission separated the single docket into five separate proceedings, and, on December 3, 2020, the Commission directed the filing of a jointly proposed procedural schedule in each docket by December 23, 2020.
- 3. Liberty and the parties are discussing settlement in all of the referenced dockets. If settlements are reached, there may be no need for procedural schedules to the established in some or all of these dockets, or different items may need to be included in any schedules established.

4. Due to the press of other business and the holidays, as well as continued

settlement discussions, Liberty requests an extension of time until January 8, 2021, for jointly

proposed procedural schedules to be submitted in the referenced dockets.

5. Counsel for all parties have been consulted regarding this request and have

expressed their non-objection to the request being granted.

WHEREFORE, Liberty respectfully requests an extension of time to submit jointly

proposed procedural schedules in the five referenced dockets.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2020, and electronically delivered to all counsel of record.

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