

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

In the Matter of the Application of Elm Hills)	
Utility Operating Company, Inc., for Authority)	<u>File No. SM-2020-0146</u>
to Acquire Certain Sewer Assets)	Tariff No. YS-2020-0212

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEETS

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through counsel, and for its *Staff Recommendation to Reject Tariff Sheets*, respectfully states as follows:

1. On June 4, 2020, Elm Hills Operating Company, Inc. (“Elm Hills”) filed proposed tariff sheets purporting to be in compliance with the terms of the Commission’s order from April 15, 2020, in which the Commission authorized Elm Hills to acquire the sewer assets of Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc. Elm Hills further requested the Commission allow its proposed tariff sheets to go into effect on less than thirty days notice, as of June 19, 2020.

2. Following discussions with Elm Hills, the Company filed substitute tariff sheets on June 8, 2020, correcting the map and legal description for its Private Gardens service area.

3. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets submitted by the Company, and concludes that the substitute tariff sheets filed on June 8, 2020, are in compliance with the Commission’s order from April 15, 2020. Thus, Staff recommends approval of:

P.S.C. MO No. 2

2nd Revised Sheet No. Title Page, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. Title Page;
3rd Revised Sheet No. 1, Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1;
Original Sheet No. 1A;
Original Sheet No. 2D;

Original Sheet No. 2E;
Original Sheet No. 2F;
Original Sheet No. 2G;
Original Sheet No. 2H;
Original Sheet No. 2I;
Original Sheet No. 3D;
Original Sheet No. 3E;
Original Sheet No. 3F;
Original Sheet No. 3G;
Original Sheet No. 3H;
Original Sheet No. 4A;
Original Sheet No. 5A; and
Original Sheet No. 5B.

4. Staff does not oppose Elm Hills' request for expedited treatment.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheets*, for the Commission's information and consideration and hereby requests the Commission approve the proposed Elm Hills tariff sheets, as substituted on June 8, 2020, as well as grant Elm Hills' request for expedited treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel(s) of record on this 9th day of June, 2020.

/s/ Travis J. Pringle

