BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence Rivers) Utility Operating Company, Inc., for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity and To Acquire Certain Sewer Assets in Cass County, Missouri

File No. SA-2023-0187

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE A RECOMMENDATION

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COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and requests additional time to file a recommendation.

On December 6, 2022, Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., (Confluence) filed an application and motion for waiver seeking an order authorizing it to acquire certain utility assets in Cass County, granting it a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, and granting a waiver of the Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1) sixty-day rule. On December 7, 2022, the Commission ordered Staff to file either a recommendation or a request for additional time no later than January 9, 2023.

Staff requests an additional sixty days to file a recommendation. Staff has promulgated data requests whose response deadlines fall after January 9, and because of the holiday season and scheduling issues could not schedule a site visit before January. Neither Confluence nor the Office of Public Counsel objects to this request.

WHEREFORE. Staff requests that the Commission extend Staff's recommendation deadline to March 10, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

<u>/s/ Paul T. Graham #30416</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned by his signature below certifies that the foregoing pleading was served upon all persons who have entered an appearance of record in this matter on this January 9, 2023, by electronic filing in EFIS.

<u>/s/ Paul T. Graham</u>