BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of West 16th Street Sewer Company, W.P.C. Sewer Company, Village Water and Sewer Company, Inc. and Raccoon Creek Utility Operating Company, Inc., for Raccoon Creek to Acquire Certain Sewer Assets and, In Connection Therewith, Issue Indebtedness and Encumber Those Assets

File No. SM-2015-0014

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFFS

COMES NOW Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Recommendation to Approve Tariffs* states as follows:

1. On March 23, 2015, Raccoon Creek Utility Operating Company, Inc.,

("Raccoon Creek") filed its Adoption Tariffs (YS-2015-0281, YS-2015-0282, YS-2015-

0283) ("Adoption Tariffs").

2. Also, on March 23, 2015, Raccoon Creek filed a *Motion for Expedited Treatment* for approval of its *Adopted Tariffs*.

3. Staff has reviewed the tariffs filed by Raccoon Creek and recommends that the Commission approve Raccoon Creek's tariffs and that the tariffs take effect immediately.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits its Recommendation to Approve Tariffs.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Alexander Antal</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been served to all counsel of record by hand delivery, electronic mail, or First Class United States mail this 26th day of March, 2015.

<u>/s/ Alexander Antal</u>

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AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES A. MERCIEL, JR., P.E.

STATE OF MISSOURI)
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COUNTY OF COLE)

James A. Merciel, Jr., P.E., of lawful age, on his oath states: (1) that he is the Assistant Manager – Engineering in the Water and Sewer Unit of the Missouri Public Service Commission; (2) that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing *Staff's Recommendation to Approve Tariffs*; (3) that certain information in the *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariffs* was provided by him; (4) that he has knowledge of matters set forth in the *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariffs*; and (5) that such matters set forth in the *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariffs* are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

James A. Merciel, Jr., P.E.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of March 2015.

LAURA DISTLER Notary Public - Notary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: June 21, 2015 Commission Number: 11203914