

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

In the Matter of the Application of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc., for Authority to Acquire Certain Sewer Assets)	<u>File No. SM-2020-0146</u>
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In the Matter of the Application of Elm Hills Utility Company, Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity as an Expansion of the Existing Service Area)	<u>File No. SA-2020-0152</u>
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ORDER CONSOLIDATING CASES

Issue Date: January 30, 2020

Effective Date: January 30, 2020

Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. (Elm Hills) filed separate applications for authority to acquire certain sewer assets, and a certificate of convenience and necessity. On January 17, 2020, the Commission’s Staff filed a status report and motion to consolidate. In support of its motion to consolidate, Staff submits that the applications have the same parties, share filings, and that consolidation would lend itself to ease of filing and administrative efficiency. Additionally, it is likely that hearings on both applications would share common witnesses. The Commission ordered the parties to respond to Staff’s motion, and neither Elm Hills nor the Office of the Public Counsel objected. Both applications share some common questions of law and fact. Therefore, the Commission will consolidate the two cases for all purposes.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. File No. SA-2020-0152 is consolidated into File No. SM-2020-0146.
2. All future filings shall be made in File No. SM-2020-0146.

3. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 30th day of January, 2020.