BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc., and Missouri Utilities Company for Elm Hills to Acquire Certain Water and Sewer Assets of Missouri Utilities Company, For a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, and, in Connection Therewith, to Issue Indebtedness and Encumber Assets.

File No. SM-2017-0150, et al.

ORDER SETTING DEADLINE FOR FILING RESPONSES AND DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE STATUS REPORT

Issue Date: March 15, 2017

Effective Date: March 15, 2017

On March 15, 2017, the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC) filed its Motion for

Order for Two Local Public Hearings and Suggestions in Support. Although OPC's filing

indicates that Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. and the Staff of the Missouri

Public Service Commission did not "object to the filing of this motion at this time," the

Commission will set a deadline to allow parties to file a responses to OPC's request for

two local public hearings to be conducted on the same day.

The Commission will also direct Staff to file a status report that identifies when it

will be able to submit a recommendation on the application.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than Monday, March 20, 2017, responses to OPC's *Motion for Order for Two Local Public Hearings and Suggestions in Support* may be filed.

2. No later than March 20, 2017, Staff shall file a report on the status of its investigation that identifies when it anticipates being able to submit its recommendation.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Kim Burton, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 15th day of March, 2017.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 15th day of March 2017.



Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

March 15, 2017

File/Case No. SM-2017-0150

Missouri Public Service Commission

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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