

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

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence)	
Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. for)	<u>File No. SA-2021-0426</u>
Authority to Acquire Certain Water and)	Tariff No. YS-2022-0197
Sewer Assets and for Certificates of)	
Convenience and Necessity)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), through counsel, and recommends that the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheets Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. (Confluence Rivers) filed on December 31, 2021 for the Prairie Heights and Shelton Estates sewer systems.

1. The Commission issued its *Order Granting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity* (Order) on December 15, 2021, granting Confluence Rivers water and sewer certificates of convenience and necessity. The Commission ordered Confluence Rivers to adopt Cedar Green’s water and sewer tariffs; revise the service area map and service area written descriptions for Cedar Green; and submit tariff sheets for Clemstone, The Missing Well, Prairie Heights, Shelton Estates, and Spring Branch, to become effective before closing on the assets.¹

2. On December 16 and 20, 2021, Confluence Rivers filed proposed tariff sheets for Cedar Green, Clemstone, The Missing Well, and Spring Branch, with a motion for expedited treatment requesting that the tariff sheets to go into effect with less than 30 days’ notice.

¹ Order, P. 12.

3. On December 22, 2021, the Commission approved the tariff sheets Confluence filed December 16 and 20, 2021, to become effective on December 28, 2021.

4. On December 31, 2021, Confluence filed proposed tariff sheets for the Prairie Heights and Shelton Estates sewer systems. The Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation regarding these proposed tariff sheets by January 14, 2022.

5. Staff reviewed these proposed tariff sheets and determined that they comply with the Commission's Order. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheets.

6. With this filing, Confluence Rivers has submitted all tariff sheets in this matter.

7. Staff attaches affidavits with this pleading verifying its review.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving Confluence Rivers' proposed tariff sheets filed December 31, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing has been emailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 13th day of January, 2022.

/s/ Karen E. Bretz

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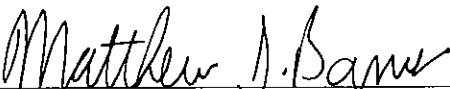
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AFFIDAVIT OF MATTHEW J. BARNES

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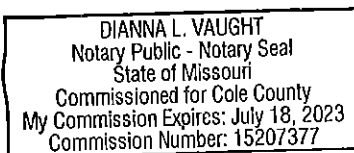
COME NOW Matthew J. Barnes, and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury.

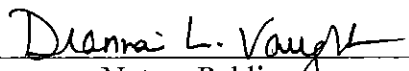
Further the Affiants sayeth not.


Matthew J. Barnes

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 12th day of January, 2022.




Notary Public

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AFFIDAVIT OF DARONN A. WILLIAMS

STATE OF MISSOURI)	
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COME NOW Daronn A. Williams, and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury.

Further the Affiants sayeth not.

Daronn A. Williams

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Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 13th day of January, 2022.

Dianna L. Vaught

 Notary Public

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: July 18, 2023 Commission Number: 15207377
