

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,)	
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Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. SC-2020-0002</u>
)	
Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc.,)	
)	
Respondent)	

COMES NOW the Staff (“Staff”) of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”), through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Status Report* respectfully states:

2. On August 21, 2019, the Commission issued its *Order Retitling Pleading and Second Notice of Contested Case and Order Directing Filing*, ordering Respondent Company to file an answer to the *First Amended Complaint* no later than September 20, 2019.²

¹ Staff's initial *Complaint* was filed on July 2, 2019. The Commission ordered an amended complaint be filed on August 13, 2019, following Staff's first request for a default judgement on August 7, 2019.

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4. On December 20, 2019, the Commission ordered Staff to file a status report by January 6, 2020.

5. Since the filing of Staff's Complaint, Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. has filed a request to acquire all or substantially all of the assets of Respondent Company used to provide sewer utility services, including its certificates of convenience and necessity.³

6. Staff recommended in its December 23, 2019, *Status Report* that the Commission issue a stay in this matter until the Commission has issued an order regarding the acquisition request of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.

7. On December 24, 2019, the Commission again issued an *Order Directing Filing*, ordering Staff to file another status report no later than January 17, 2020.

8. Staff continues to recommend that the Commission issue a stay in this matter until the Commission has issued an order regarding the acquisition request of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. Staff does not anticipate any changes to this case until an order regarding the proposed acquisition is issued.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Status Report*, and prays the Commission accept the same as satisfying the Commission's *Order Directing Filing*.

³ See Case No. SM-2020-0146.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were mailed, electronically mailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 16th day of January, 2020.

/s/ Travis J. Pringle