

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

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence)
Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., for) **File No. WF-2023-0023**
Authority to Issue Long-Term Debt and to Secure)
Same with a Lien on its Property)

REQUEST FOR SHORTENED EFFECTIVE DATE

COMES NOW Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. (“Confluence Rivers” or “Company”), and for its *Request For Shortened Effective Date*, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. As of Confluence River’s *Response to OPC’s Revised Condition* filed on October 27, 2022, no issues remain among the parties.

2. The agenda issued today concerning the Commission’s November 9, 2022 Agenda Meeting identifies an “Order Regarding Financing Application” for the Commission’s consideration.

3. As most are aware, the country is currently in the midst of a volatile time for interest rates. If the Commission approves this transaction, it would be advantageous to both the Company and its customers for Confluence Rivers to close on the financing sooner, rather than later. Accordingly, Confluence Rivers asks that the Commission consider an effective date shorter than the thirty (30) day period commonly used.

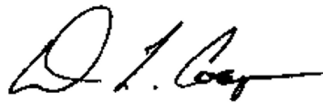
4. Section 386.490.2, RSMo, states in part that “Every order or decision of the commission shall of its own force take effect and become operative thirty days after the service thereof, except as otherwise provided. . . .” Case law indicates that the Commission has the authority to set an effective date at least as short as ten (10) days. *Harter v. Missouri Public Service Commission*, 361 S.W.3d 52 (Mo.App W.D. 2011).

5. Given the interest rate environment, Confluence Rivers respectfully requests that the Commission utilize a ten (10) day effective date for any order that may resolve this matter.

6. Counsel has discussed this matter with counsel for Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel and they do not object to the relief requested herein.

WHEREFORE, Confluence Rivers requests the Commission consider this *Request For Shortened Effective Date* and, thereafter, issue an order granting such relief as deemed appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail this 8th day of November 2022 to all counsel of record.

