

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

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence)
Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., for) **Case No. WA-2023-0026**
Certificates of Convenience and Necessity to)
Provide Water and Sewer Service in an Area of)
Lincoln County, Missouri)

**REPLY TO PUBLIC COUNSEL’S RESPONSE
TO STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION**

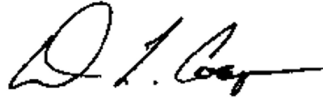
COMES NOW Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. (“Confluence Rivers”), and for its *Reply to Public Counsel’s Response to Staff’s Recommendation* states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. On November 21, 2022, the Office of the Public Counsel (“Public Counsel”) filed the *Public Counsel’s Response to Staff’s Recommendation*. Public Counsel notes its opposition to recovery of acquisition premium, but further states that it “does not request an evidentiary hearing. . . .”
2. Confluence Rivers agrees with Public Counsel’s Statement that “this is not a rate case and rate recovery of an acquisition premium is not before the Commission in this matter,” and that it may be addressed in a future rate case, if raised at that time.
3. Accordingly, Confluence Rivers requests the Commission issue an order approving Confluence Rivers’ *Application* and granting Confluence Rivers CCNs subject to the conditions found in Staff’s *Memorandum*.

WHEREFORE, Confluence Rivers requests the Commission issue an order approving Confluence Rivers’ *Application* and granting Confluence Rivers CCNs subject to the conditions found in Staff’s *Memorandum*, and for such other and further 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 23rd day of November 2022 to all counsel of record.

