

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

In the Matter of the Application of)
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating)
Company, Inc., to Acquire Certain Water) **File No. WM-2020-0403**
and Sewer Assets of Terre Du Lac Utilities)
Corporation)

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”) and for its *Status Report*, states as follows:

1. On June 12, 2020, Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. (“Confluence”) filed an Application and Motion for Waiver (“Application”) with the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) seeking authority to purchase substantially all of the water and/or sewer assets of Terre Du Lac Utilities Corporation (Terre Du Lac).¹ The Application seeks a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1). It also asks the Commission either to approve a transfer of Terre Du Lac’s certificate of convenience and necessity (“CCN”) or to grant Confluence a new water and sewer CCN authorizing it to own, install, construct, operate, control, manage and maintain the systems it proposes to acquire from Terre Du Lac. Confluence Rivers seeks a rate of return premium and a debt acquisition adjustment

2. On June 15, 2020, the Commission issued its *Orders Directing Notice and Establishing Time for Filings* in File Nos. WM-2020-0403 and SM-2020-0404; in its Orders, the Commission set intervention deadlines of July 7, 2020, and directed Staff to

¹ The Application was filed pursuant to Section 386.020, 386.250, 393.140, and 393.190, and Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-2.060, 10.085, 10.105, and 4.027(a)(D).

file, no later than July 7, 2020, a pleading stating when it anticipates filing its recommendation in this matter.

3. The Commission issued its *Order Consolidating Files*, on July 6, 2020, ordering the consolidation of File Nos. WM-2020-0403 and SM-2020-0404 and designating WM-2020-0403 as the lead case.

4. At this time, in order to provide ample time for Staff to conduct a thorough review of Confluence's Application, Staff anticipates being able to file a recommendation no later than August 21, 2020.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Status Report* for the Commission's information and consideration and hereby requests the Commission order Staff to file its recommendation no later than August 21, 2020; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 7th day of July, 2020.

/s/ Mark Johnson