BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity to Provide Water and Sewer Service in an Area of St. Charles County, Missouri (Stone Ridge Meadows)

File No. WA-2023-0092

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

1. On September 9, 2022, Confluence Rivers filed an application requesting that the Commission grant it a CCN to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, control, and manage the water system and sewer system assets of Stone Ridge Meadows Home Owners Association, Inc., ("Stone Ridge Meadows").

2. On December 22, 2022, Staff filed its *Staff Recommendation* and supporting *Memorandum* suggesting that approving the water and sewer utilities sale to Confluence Rivers and that issuance of a CCN to Confluence Rivers is necessary or convenient for the public service. Staff recommended that the Commission authorize Confluence Rivers to enter into, execute, and perform in accordance with the *Agreement for Sale and Continued Operation of Utility System*, attached as Appendix A-C to Confluence Rivers' Application. Staff further recommended that Confluence Rivers be granted a CCN, with conditions described in the Staff *Memorandum*, to provide water and sewer service in the territory currently served by the Stone Ridge Meadows.

3. Confluence Rivers has reviewed the proposed conditions listed on pages 12-13 of Staff's *Memorandum* and states that it has no objection to the proposed conditions.

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WHEREFORE, Confluence Rivers requests the Commission issue an order approving Confluence Rivers' *Application* and granting Confluence Rivers a CCN as recommended 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 3rd day of January 2023, to all counsel of record.

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