BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Liberty Utilities)	
(Missouri Water) LLC and Franklin County Water)	File No.WA-2019-0036
Company Inc. for Liberty Utilities to Acquire Certain)	Tariff No. YW-2020-0036
Water Assets of Franklin County Water)	

STAFF'S COMPLIANCE TARIFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), and for its Recommendation regarding the compliance tariffs filed herein by Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC ("Liberty Utilities") on September 3, 2019, states as follows:

- 1. On July 10, 2019, the Commission issued an *Order Approving Transfer of Assets and Granting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity* ("Order") authorizing Liberty Utilities to acquire the franchise, operating assets and Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") of Franklin County Water Company, Inc. ("Franklin County").
- 2. On August 27, 2019, Liberty Utilities filed a Tariff Revision under Tracking No. WY-2020-0036. The filing states that the asset transfer is scheduled for September 30, 2019, and Liberty Utilities will begin providing service to new customers on October 1, 2019.
- 3. On August 28, 2019, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing* ordering Staff to file a recommendation no later than September 6, 2019.
- 4. On September 3, 2019, Liberty Utilities filed a Substitute Tariff Sheet and Tariff Extension for Tariff Tracking No. WY-2020-0036 to correct an error in the Tariff Revision filing brought to its attention by Staff.

5. Staff has reviewed the revised and substituted tariff sheets and concludes that the substituted tariff sheets filed on September 3, 2019, comply with the Commission's July 10, 2019, *Order*. Thus, Staff *recommends approval* of:

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6. In support of its *Recommendation*, Staff has attached the Affidavit of Curt Gateley to this pleading and incorporates the same herein by reference.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will accept Staff's *Recommendation*, and issue an order approving Liberty Utilities' proposed tariff sheets as filed on September 3, 2019, allowing them to take effect for service rendered on and after October 1, 2019; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Ron Irving</u>

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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 5^{th} day of September, 2019.

/s/ Ron Irving

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In the Matter of the Application of Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC and Franklin County Water, Inc. for Liberty to Acquire Certain Water Assets of Franklin County and for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)	Case No. WA-2019-0036
of Convenience and Necessity)	

AFFIDAVIT OF CURT B. GATELEY

State of Missouri)
) ss.
County of Cole)

COMES NOW Curt B. Gateley, and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the attached *Staff Recommendation on Compliance Tariffs*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

Curt B. Gateley

<u>JURAT</u>

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this ______ day of September, 2019.

D. SUZIE MANKIN
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Cole County
My Commission Expires: December 12, 2020
Commission Number: 12412070

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