

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

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence)	
Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., for)	<u>Case No. WA-2023-0026</u>
Certificates of Convenience and Necessity to)	YW-2023-0106
Provide Water and Sewer Service in an Area of)	YS-2023-0107
Lincoln County, Missouri)	

MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

COMES NOW Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. (“Confluence Rivers” or “Company”) and, in accordance with Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080(14), moves the Commission for expedited treatment of Confluence Rivers’ tariff sheets (YW-2023-0106 and YS-2023-0107) filed on December 9, 2022:

1. On December 8, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Approving Acquisition of Assets and Granting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity* in the above captioned case. The *Order*, among other things, directed Confluence Rivers to revise P.S.C. MO Nos. 12 and 13 for the addition of Glenmeadows Water and Sewer LLC’s (“Glenmeadows”) water and sewer assets, to become effective before closing on the assets.

2. Confluence Rivers seeks to close on the assets of Glenmeadows’ during the week of December 27-30, 2022.

3. Concurrently, with the filing of this Motion, Confluence Rivers has filed tariff sheets consistent with the Commission’s *Order Approving Acquisition of Assets and Granting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity*. These tariff sheets carry proposed effective date of January 8, 2023 (30 days) and have been assigned tracking numbers YW-2023-0106 and YS-2023-0107.

4. Confluence Rivers hereby seeks the Commission’s order allowing the proposed

tariff sheets to go into effect on less than thirty days notice on December 27, 2022.

5. A grant of this motion will further the public interest. As indicated in the Staff's recommendation the current owner has failed to properly operate and maintain the sewer system. This will be resolved by Confluence purchasing the system and making the appropriate improvements. Thus, the sooner Confluence Rivers is able to close on the subject assets, the sooner it may address those issues. Addressing these tariff sheets in an expedited manner will reduce the time customers in the subject service areas will have to wait before the subject systems are updated. Additionally, closing transactions prior to the end of the end will have tax implications for both seller and Confluence Rivers, will simplify accounting on a going forward basis for Confluence Rivers, and will clarify the relevance of the acquisition in regard to Confluence Rivers' next rate case. Conversely, there will be no negative effect on party customers or the general public by approving the tariff sheets effective December 27, 2022.

6. The tariff sheets and this Motion have been filed as soon as possible after the Commission issued its *Order* directing the tariff sheets to become effective before closing on the subject assets, subsequent preparation of the subject sheets, and an understanding of what closing date would be possible.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Confluence Rivers respectfully requests the Commission grant this *Motion for Expedited Treatment* and approve Confluence Rivers' proposed tariff sheets (YW-2023-0106 and YS-2023-0107) to be effective as of December 27, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,



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