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-2020-0282
and Sewer Assets, and For Certificates of)	
Convenience and Necessity)	

RESPONSE TO ORDER CONCERNING PUBLIC HEARING

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and, in response to the Commission's *Order Directing Responses to Request for Notice and Request for Public Hearing*, states as follows:

1. Staff has no objection to the Office of Public Counsel's request for notice to customers and request for local public hearing in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits its *Response to Order Concerning Public Hearing* for the Commission's information and consideration.

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 27^{th} day of June 2020.

/s/ Mark Johnson