

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

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence	)	
Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., to	)	<b><u>File No. WM-2020-0282</u></b>
Acquire Certain Water and Sewer Assets, and	)	Tariff No. YW-2021-0146
for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity	)	YS-2021-0147

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFFS**

COMES NOW the Public Service Commission Staff (“Staff”), by and through counsel, and recommends that the Commission approve the tariffs filed by Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. (“Company”) to provide regulated water and sewer services to Branson Cedars Resort Utility Company, LLC (“Branson Cedars”)

1. On December 9, 2020, the Commission issued its *Order Approving Acquisition of Water and Sewer Assets and Granting Certificates of Convenience and Necessity*, authorizing the Company to acquire certain water and sewer assets, including the water and sewer assets of Branson Cedars. The order directed the Company submit an adoption notice to adopt the existing Branson Cedars tariffs before closing on the Branson Cedars assets.

2. On January 26, 2021, the Company filed tariff sheets consisting of title pages and adoption notice concerning Branson Cedars tariffs. The tariffs list an effective date of February 25, 2021.

3. On January 27, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing*. The *Order* directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding whether the tariff sheets comply with the Commission’s December 9, 2020 order no later than February 8, 2021.

4. Staff has reviewed the proposed tariffs and recommends their approval.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff respectfully submits this Staff Recommendation to Approve

Tariffs, and respectfully requests the Commission approve the tariffs filed by the Company.

Respectfully submitted,

**/s/ Casi Aslin**

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and or counsel of record on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

**/s/ Casi Aslin**

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**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 foregoing *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariffs*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

*/s/ Curt B. Gateley*  
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