BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.'s Request for a Water Rate Increase)	File No. WR-2020-0275
In the Matter of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.'s Request for a Sewer Rate Increase)	File No. SR-2020-0274

ORDER GRANTING CONSOLIDATION OF CASES

Issue Date: March 25, 2020 Effective Date: March 25, 2020

On March 6, 2020, Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. (Elm Hills) filed a notice opening two staff assisted rate cases under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075. On March 13, in both cases, Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed its *Motion to Consolidate* in the interests of efficiency as the two cases involve the same parties and will contain primarily the same filings.

Commission rules allow parties ten days to respond to pleadings unless otherwise ordered. Ten days have elapsed and no party has objected to the *Motion to Consolidate*.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.110(3) allows for the consolidation of cases with related questions of law or fact. These cases involve related questions of law and fact, and the Commission will grant the motion.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission's *Motion to Consolidate*File Numbers WR-2020-0275 and SR-2020-0274 is granted, with File Number WR-2020-0275 being the lead case.
- The Data Center shall update the caption of the consolidated case to read:
 In the Matter of Elm Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.'s Request for a Water and Sewer Rate Increase.
- 3. The parties are directed to designate if a filing or the content of a filing pertains only to a specific system.
 - 4. This order shall be effective when issued.

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BY THE COMMISSION

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Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 25th day of March, 2020.