BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Carl Richard Mills' Request) to Maintain Water System Rate) File No. WR-2021-0177 Tariff No. YW-2021-0207

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF APPEARANCE

Issue Date: June 2, 2021 Effective Date: June 2, 2021 On December 21, 2020, Carl Richard Mills filed a letter initiating a staff-assisted rate case. On May 20, 2021, Staff filed a unanimous agreement to resolve the issues in the rate case in full.

On May 26, 2021, the Commission directed the parties to advise the Commission of availability to schedule an on-the-record presentation regarding the agreement.

On May 28, 2021, the parties filed a *Joint Motion for Reconsideration*. The motion advised the Commission, in part, that requiring additional rate case filings or appearances on behalf of Mr. Mills may result in a rate increase for system customers. The parties' motion suggests, as an alternative, that the Commission direct Staff to appear at an agenda to answer questions about the agreement.

The agreement filed on May 20 includes a provision that acknowledges Staff may be asked by the Commission to answer questions about the unanimous disposition agreement.¹

Based on the joint motion, the Commission will direct Staff to appear at the June 9, 2021 agenda meeting to answer Commission questions about the agreement. Any appearance may be in person or by telephone or videoconference. Staff is directed

¹ Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Utility Company Revenue Increase Request, p. 3 (May 20, 2021).

to make available pertinent members of Staff should the Commission elect to ask any questions when taking up this matter during the June 9 agenda meeting.

Notice of the Commission's June 9 agenda will be posted according to the Commission's established practice, as required by law.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Staff shall appear, as provided above, at the Commission's June 9, 2021 agenda meeting to answer any potential questions from the Commission regarding the agreement.

2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 2nd day of June, 2021.