

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Rate Increase Request of)
Indian Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.)

File No. WR-2017-0259

NOTICE OF CLARIFICATION AND ORDER SETTING TIME FOR FILING

Issue Date: February 20, 2018

Effective Date: February 20, 2018

Indian Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.'s ("Indian Hills") *Application for Reconsideration or Rehearing*¹ addresses two issues that the Commission decided in its *Report and Order*.²

The first issue is rate case expense. In describing that issue, the Commission quoted the list of issues,³ the joint position of Staff and Indian Hills as set forth in Indian Hills' brief,⁴ and the amount certain in the *Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement*⁵ filed by Indian Hills and Staff. That amount certain was \$5,722, which included only amounts incurred as of the filing of the *Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement*.

That amount did not include amounts for hearing preparation, representation at hearing, and post-hearing briefing. Indian Hills asks the Commission to correct its *Report and Order* to include those amounts. The Commission's mention of \$5,722 in its description of the issue did not cap rate case expense, and the Commission's discussion did not exclude those amounts.

¹ Electronic Filing Information System No. 189 (February 16, 2018).

² EFIS No. 184 (January 7, 2017).

³ EFIS No. 81 (November 21, 2017) *List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, Order of Cross-Examination and Order of Opening*.

⁴ EFIS No. 177 (January 4, 2018) *Indian Hills Brief* page 11 paragraph f

⁵ EFIS No. 87 (November 22, 2017).

Therefore, the Commission will clarify its *Report and Order* at page 32 eighth line, by inserting, after the words “of \$5,722[,]” the words “as of November 21, 2017, brought forward to a cut-off date of January 11, 2018.”

The second issue is cost of debt. The Commission intends to consider carefully the parties’ arguments as to rehearing on that issue, and is aware that business is pressing for Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel, as it is for the Commission. For those reasons, the Commission will set an extended date for the filing of any response that Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel wish to file as to cost of debt.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The *Report and Order* is clarified as set forth in the body of this order.
2. Any response to the *Application for Reconsideration or Rehearing* as to cost of debt shall be filed no later than March 2, 2018.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of February, 2018.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 20th day of February 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
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