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

In the Matter of the Request for a Workshop	o)	
And Motion to Open a Rulemaking	)	
Docket of the Office of the Public Counsel	)	File No. WX-2018-0387
Pertaining to the Affiliate	)	
Transactions of Water Corporations	)	

## **MOTION TO WITHDRAW**

COMES NOW Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), by and through counsel, and, pursuant to Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) Rule 4 CSR 240-2.116, respectfully states as follows to the Commission:

- 1. The OPC filed its Request for a Workshop and Motion to Open a Rulemaking Docket on June 22, 2018 regarding a proposed rule pertaining to the affiliate transactions of water corporations.
- 2. The rulemaking docket Case File WX-2018-0387 was opened, and thereupon the Commission directed the Commission Staff to investigate and file recommendations regarding the proposed rule by July 20, 2018.
- 3. Incidentally, on June 27, 2018, Commission Staff filed motions in Case Files AW-2018-0394 and WW-2018-0392 to establish Working Case files with the intent of consolidating existing Commission affiliate transaction rules, while also subjecting water corporations to those newly consolidated affiliate transaction rules.
- 4. Prepared and oral testimony have not yet been offered for Case File WX-2018-0387.
- 5. Whereas, the OPC believes that Staff's requested Working Cases will better determine the cost of rule implementation while protecting the interests of Missouri consumers,

and that maintaining multiple case files relating to affiliate transactions is unnecessarily duplicative.

6. Whereas also, Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.116 authorizes applicants to voluntarily dismiss an application without a Commission order so long as neither prepared nor oral testimony has not been offered.

WHEREFORE, the OPC respectfully requests the Commission consider the information provided herein, and accept our voluntary dismissal of the rulemaking docket considering a Water Corporation Affiliate Transactions Rule.

Respectfully,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served, either electronically or by hand delivery or by First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this 2nd day of July, 2018, with notice of the same being sent to all counsel of record.

/s/ Caleb Hall