

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

In the Matter of the Application of Rate Increase) **Case No. WR-2017-0259**
For Indian Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc.)

STAFF REPORT ON LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) by and through counsel; and for its *Staff Report on Local Public Hearing*, hereby states that:

1. Indian Hills Utility Operating Company, Inc. filed its Request for Increase in Annual Water System Operating Revenues on April 4, 2017.
2. On July 19, 2017, the Office of the Public Counsel requested a local public hearing. The Commission granted the request and, after various procedural filings, scheduled a local public hearing on October 18, 2017.
3. The parties conducted a local public hearing on October 18, 2017, wherein a question and answer session was conducted prior to the on-the-record portion of the local public hearing.
4. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(19) states that if a local public hearing is held, “the staff shall file a pleading no later than five (5) working days after the hearing indicating whether any material information not previously available was provided at the local public hearing and stating whether that information might result in changes to the utility/staff disposition agreement.”
5. Staff participated in the question and answer session conducted between the parties and customers who attended prior to the on-the-record local public hearing, remained for the duration of the on-the-record session and was available after the local public hearing for discussion with the customers. Pursuant to

Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(19), Staff states that it obtained no material information at the local public hearing that would result in any change to the partial disposition agreement or other positions Staff has taken in the matter.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this *Report on Local Public Hearing* for the Commission's information and respectfully submitted,

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and or counsel of record on this 23rd day of October, 2017.

/s/ Jacob T. Westen