

February 7, 2023

## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mr. Morris Woodruff, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty

Dear Judge Woodruff:

I am providing herewith to the Missouri Public Service Commission for filing, in electronic form, as an optional Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") filing, the 30th Revised Sheet No. 44. This tariff sheet bears an issue date of February 7, 2023, and a proposed effective date of February 22, 2022 (ten working days after submission).

As a result of this filing, Liberty's Kirksville service area will see a decrease in the firm PGA rate from the current \$1.09784 per Ccf to \$0.74447 per Ccf. Compared to existing rates, and assuming normal usage, the PGA rate change will decrease the average monthly bill of the typical Kirksville residential customer by \$19.44. The bill impact may be less or more depending on a customer's actual usage, which is primarily affected by weather.

Kirksville customers experienced an unusually high increase in their PGA and ACA rates which took effect December 4, 2022, due to the average cost of stored gas for this service area rising over 130% from the previous period. A primary component of this increased cost for our Kirksville customers was the pipeline transportation cost from ANR pipeline as a component of rates requested in an ongoing FERC case. ANR since reached a preliminary settlement in that case, which will result in a credit back to Liberty and other impacted gas distribution companies. Liberty is making this optional PGA filing to immediately pass lower gas costs back to our customers, instead of waiting for the annual PGA/ACA filing. As always, Liberty is committed to continuously monitoring the natural gas markets to secure the best possible cost of gas for our customers.

Please bring this PGA filing to the attention of the Commissioners and the appropriate Commission personnel, and please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Diana Carter

cc: Commission Staff Office of the Public Counsel