

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

In the Matter of the Application of Liberty            )  
Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp.            )  
d/b/a Liberty for an Order Granting Billing        )  
Variances Related to the Company's            )  
Implementation of its Customer First            )  
Program    )

**File No. GE-2024-0046**

**STATUS REPORT**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, through counsel, and states as follows.

1. On August 25, 2023, Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (“Liberty”) filed an application requesting Commission approval for billing variances related to its implementation of its Customer First Program. Liberty requested expedited treatment of its application, as well as a waiver of the Commission’s 60-day notice requirement under 20 CSR 4240-4.017.

2. On August 28, 2023, the Commission ordered the Staff to file a recommendation regarding the Application, or a status report indicating when it will file its recommendation by September 6, 2023.

3. A meeting was held with the Applicant and Office of Public Counsel (“OPC”) on August 31, 2023; wherein, Liberty indicated it would file an amended Application along with exhibits. The meeting also produced numerous Data Requests (“DRs”) after said meeting and was sent to Liberty on September 5, 2023.

4. Staff proposes to submit its recommendation by September 22, 2023, which will allow time to do so as long as Liberty responds to the DRs expeditiously.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff submits its Status Report for the Commission's information and consideration, and respectfully requests the Commission give Staff until September 22, 2023, to submit its recommendation in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

**/s/ J. Scott Stacey**