

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Liberty Utilities Verified)
Application For Approval of PVC Pipe)
Replacement Program and Recovery of)
Associated Costs Through ISRS)
Mechanism)

File No. GO-2019-0091

ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSES TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL’S MOTION TO DISMISS AND DENYING ITS REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

Issue Date: March 20, 2019

Effective Date: March 20, 2019

Liberty Utilities filed an application for approval of a PVC pipe replacement program and recovery of costs through the ISRS mechanism on September 28, 2018. The Commission’s Staff (“Staff”) filed a recommendation regarding the application, and on February 28, 2019, Liberty Utilities filed a response to Staff’s recommendation and a request for procedural conference. Liberty Utilities requested the conference so that the parties might propose procedural steps to address the matters raised in its response to Staff’s recommendation. Liberty Utilities stated that neither Staff nor the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”) objected to setting a procedural conference on April 3, 2019.

OPC filed a response to Liberty Utilities’ response to Staff’s recommendation. OPC also included a motion to dismiss. OPC suggested in its motion that the April 3, 2019, procedural conference be used for the purpose of hearing oral argument on its motion to dismiss. Oral arguments on the motion to dismiss are unnecessary at this time because oral arguments are not an evidentiary hearing, and the parties’ arguments can be

sufficiently expressed in writing. Therefore, the Commission will order Staff and Liberty Utilities to respond to OPC's motion to dismiss.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Office of the Public Counsel's request for oral arguments is denied.
2. Liberty Utilities and the Commission's Staff shall respond to OPC's motion to dismiss no later than April 5, 2019.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

John T. Clark, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of March, 2019.

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 March 2019.




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
Secretary

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