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Direct Testimony

of

Brooke Prier

on behalf of

Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC d/b/a Liberty

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INTRODUCTION

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I.

2	Ų.	rease state your name and business address.
3	A.	My name is Brooke Prier. My business address is 602 South Joplin Avenue, Joplin,
4		Missouri.
5	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
6	A.	I am employed by Liberty Utilities Service Corp. ("LUSC"), as Manager of Rates and
7		Regulatory Affairs for the Liberty Central Region, which includes the water and
8		wastewater operations of Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC d/b/a Liberty
9		("Liberty" or the "Company").
10	Q.	On whose behalf are you testifying in this proceeding?
11	A.	I am testifying on behalf of Liberty.
12	Q.	Please describe your educational and professional background.
13	A.	I graduated from Pittsburg State University in 2017 with a Bachelor of Science Degree
14		with a major in accounting. In 2020, I graduated with a Master of Business
15		Administration with an emphasis in accounting. I worked as an Operations Accountant
16		for NPC International from 2017 to 2019. I was hired by LUSC in July 2019 as a Rate
17		Analyst. I was promoted to Analyst II in September 2022, Analyst III in June 2023,
18		and then to my current position in November 2023.
19	Q.	Have you previously testified before the Missouri Public Service Commission
20		("Commission") or any other regulatory agency?

- 1 A. Yes. I have testified before the Commission in Case Nos.: ER-2023-0122, EO-2023-
- 2 0123, ER-2023-0342 and EO-2023-0343. I also testified before the Arkansas Public
- 3 Service Commission in Docket No. 13-111-U.
- 4 Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony in this proceeding?
- 5 A. The purpose of my direct testimony is to explain how the Company has complied with
- 6 the Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs") as set forth in Commission Rules 20 CSR
- 7 4240-3.030(3)(A) and 20 CSR 4240-3.030(3)(B).

8 II. GENERAL RATE CASE MINIMUM FILING REQUIREMENTS

- 9 Q. What are the requirements of Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-3.030(3)(A) and 20
- 10 CSR 4240-3.030(3)(B)?
- 11 A. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-3.030, effective August 28, 2019, sets forth the MFRs
 12 for all general rate increase requests. Counsel for Liberty is providing the tariff
 13 transmittal letter as required by 20 CSR 4240-3.030(3)(A). The table below displays a
 14 list of the remaining MFRs as required by 20 CSR 4240-3.030(3)(B) and a description
 15 of where this information can be found in the schedules provided with my direct
 16 testimony.

No.	Description	References
1	Aggregate Annual Increase Dollars and Percentage	Direct Schedule BP-1
2	Counties and Communities Affected	Direct Schedule BP-2
3	Number of Customers Affected by Rate and Class	Direct Schedule BP-3
4	Dollar and Percentage Change by Rate and Class	Direct Schedule BP-4
5	Proposed Annual Aggregate Change by Rate and	Direct Schedule BP-5
	Class	

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6	Press Release	Direct Schedule BP-6
7	Summary of Reasons for Proposed Changes	Direct Schedule BP-7

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2 III. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

- 3 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 4 A. Yes.

VERIFICATION

I, Brooke Prier, under penalty of perjury, on this 13th day of March, 2024, declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Brooke Prier