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

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating	)	
Company, Inc. to Acquire Certain Sewer	)	File No. SA-2024-0307
Assets and for a Certificate of Convenience	)	
and Necessity (Timber Ridge)	)	

## STATUS REPORT

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its *Status Report*, states as follows:

- 1. On April 18, 2024, Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. ("Confluence") filed an application requesting that the Commission approve the acquisition of the unregulated sewer assets of Barbara E. Rampone located in and around the Timber Ridge subdivision in Johnson County, MO (Timber Ridge).<sup>1</sup>
- 2. On May 13, 2024, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing of Staff Recommendation*, directing Staff to file a Recommendation, or a status report stating when it expects to file its Recommendation, no later than June 11, 2024.
- 3. Staff is currently reviewing responses to data requests (DRs) it has issued, and has issued a number of DRs to which it is still awaiting responses; additional time will be necessary to determine if further discovery is necessary. Additionally, Staff is in the process of reviewing the Missouri Department of Natural Resources compliance and enforcement documents concerning Timber Ridge, and has identified questions regarding the service area maps for the system which it will need to discuss with Confluence.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On May 1, 2024, Confluence Rivers filed a *Supplement to Application*, which included the Engineering Memorandum concerning the Timber Ridge Waste Water Treatment Plant.

- 4. In order to provide sufficient time to complete the tasks outlined above, Staff respectfully states that it expects to file its Recommendation no later than July 25, 2024. Staff has conferred with Confluence, and it has indicated it has no objection.
- 5. This filing is made in the interest of justice and without the intent to unreasonably delay or hinder these proceedings in any manner.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission will grant it until July 25, 2024, to complete and file its Recommendation; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems just in these circumstances.

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

/s/ Mark Johnson