

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

In the Matter of the Request of Liberty)
Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC d/b/a Liberty)
for Authority to Implement a General Rate) **File No. WR-2024-0104**
Increase for Water and Wastewater Service)
Provided in its Missouri Service Areas)

**ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING**

Issue Date: September 12, 2024

Effective Date: September 12, 2024

On September 5, 2024, the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) filed its request asking the Commission to hold an additional local public hearing in Lawrence County, Missouri. Public Counsel states that it was contacted by a state representative’s office about utility customers in Lawrence County who would have difficulty traveling to a local public hearing in a different county. Public Counsel’s motion acknowledges that it would be challenging for the Commission to provide notice and conduct an additional local public hearing prior to the November evidentiary hearing.

The Commission has examined Public Counsel’s request and has determined that the lack of time to provide adequate notice to the public and the expense of an additional local public hearing preclude adding an additional local public hearing in this case. Therefore, the Commission will deny Public Counsel’s request for an additional local public hearing.

However, the Commission wants to encourage participation in local public hearings. There are two virtual local public hearings for this rate case being held via WebEx on September 17, 2024, and September 27, 2024. Those interested in joining those local public hearings may join by internet or telephone. Individuals may attend any

of the virtual local public hearings by using their telephone by dialing 1-855-718-6621, listening to the prompt and entering the meeting number/access code and password set out below.

Date:	Start Time:	
September 17, 2024	6:00 p.m.	Meeting Number/Access Code: 2631 797 0347 Password: 0104
September 27, 2024	Noon	Meeting Number/Access Code: 2633 036 0237 Password: 0104

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Public Counsel’s request for an additional local public hearing is denied.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell".

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 12th day of September, 2024.

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 12th day of September 2024.



Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

September 12, 2024

File/Case No. WR-2024-0104

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

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