

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

In the Matter of the Application of)
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating)
Company, Inc. and United Fiber, LLC d/b/a)
United Fiber MO, LLC, for Authority to) **File No. SM-2025-0080**
Acquire and Sell Certain Sewer Assets in)
An Area of Nodaway and Andrew Counties,)
Missouri)

**STAFF’S SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING
RECOMMENDATION DEADLINE**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), through counsel, and suggests that the Commission set November 1, 2024, as the deadline for its recommendation concerning the Application of Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. and United Fiber, LLC d/b/a United fiber MO, LLC (“Confluence Rivers”) for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (“CCN”).

On September 4, 2024, Confluence Rivers filed an application for a CCN to acquire, own, install, construct, operate, control, manage and maintain sewer systems in Nodaway and Andrew Counties, Missouri. The CCN would allow Confluence Rivers to acquire the sewer system assets and CCNs of United Fiber’s currently regulated sewer systems. On September 5, 2024, the Commission issued its Order Directing Notice, Setting an Intervention Deadline, and Directing Staff to File a Pleading. The Commission ordered Staff to file a pleading no later than September 13, 2024, indicating when it could file a recommendation regarding Confluence Rivers’ application.

Staff has promulgated many data requests concerning the application and anticipates that it will need to issue follow-up data requests for information required to formulate an informed recommendation in this case. Staff anticipates this process can

be completed by November 1, 2024. Staff suggests that the Commission set a deadline of November 1, 2024, for Staff's recommendation.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will accept this pleading as compliant with the Commission's orders.

Respectively Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record as reflected on the certified service list maintained by the Commission in its Electronic Filing Information System this 13th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Paul T. Graham