BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Confluence Rivers Utility	)	
Operating Company, Inc.'s Request for a	)	**File No. WR-2020-0053**
Water Rate Increase	)	

ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSES

Issue Date: February 14, 2020   Effective Date: February 14, 2020

On August 29, 2019, Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. filed notices opening two staff assisted rate cases under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075. On February 10, 2020, the parties filed a *Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Utility Company Revenue Increase Request* (*Agreement*).

The Commission notes the attachment to the *Agreement* of several affidavits from members of the Auditing Department, but there is no report from the Auditing Department. The Commission requests that it's Auditing Department file its memorandum, including its analysis of the cost of service that supports the rates being proposed.

The Commission also notes the application states, "[t]o mitigate the effects of possible rate shock, Confluence Rivers also seeks approval of a single tariff reflecting consolidated rates and service rules for its water and sewer customers." The Commission would like Confluence Rivers to respond how it has demonstrated that this statement is true and how has it demonstrated that the Commission should authorize the consolidation of the water and sewer rates of these utility systems.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1.   No later than 12:00 p.m. on February 18, 2020, the Auditing Department shall file its report as described in the body of this order, or an explanatory status report.

2.   No later than February 19, 2020, Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. shall file a response to the Commissions' inquiry as described in the body of this order.

3.   Because the Commission is contemplating having an on-the-record presentation, counsel for all parties shall submit by 12:00 p.m. on February 18, 2020, any date or times of exclusion for the dates February 19, 20, 21, 24 and 25, 2020.

4.   This order is effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 14th day of February, 2020.

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 14th day of February 2020.

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
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