BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., and Missouri-American Water Company for Authority for Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., to Acquire Certain Sewer Assets of Missouri-American Water Company in Callaway and Morgan Counties, Missouri

File No. SM-2025-0067

JOINTLY PROPOSED LIST OF ISSUES, ORDER OF OPENING STATEMENTS, ORDER OF WITNESSES, AND ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION

COME NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC"), Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. ("Confluence"), and the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC"), and submit this *List of Issues, Order of Opening Statements, Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination.*¹

I. List of Issues

1. What legal standard must the Commission apply in deciding this case?

2. Would the sale of the subject Missouri-American Water Company wastewater systems to Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., be detrimental to the public interest?

¹ Scott Glasgow and Melanie Marek contributed to the *Staff Report and Recommendation* filed in this case on December 30, 2024, but did not prepare testimony. They are not listed as witnesses, but will be available to answer Commission questions.

II. Order of Opening Statements

- MAWC/Confluence
- Staff
- OPC

III. List of Witnesses/Order of Witnesses

- 1. MAWC/Confluence Witnesses:
 - Stephen Kadyk
 - Aaron J. Silas²
- 2. Staff
- Jarrod J. Robertson
- Adam Stamp³
- Johnny Garcia
- 3. OPC
- David Murray
- Geoff Marke

IV. Order of Cross-Examination

MAWC/Confluence Witnesses: Staff, OPC.

Staff Witnesses: MAWC/Confluence, OPC.

OPC Witnesses: Staff, MAWC/Confluence.

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR RELIEF: As mentioned above, some Staff employees

contributed to the Staff Report and Recommendation but did not submit testimony in this

case. As such, Staff respectfully requests that these witnesses be excused from

cross-examination. However, these witnesses will be available for questions from the

judge presiding over the hearing and the commissioners in attendance. Staff has

² Mr. Silas is not available June 27 and Confluence Rivers will ask that he be excused after he has taken the stand on June 26.

³ Adam Stamp is only available to testify on June 26. Mr. Stamp may need to be taken out of order to ensure that he is able to testify on June 26.

discussed this with the other parties, and none oppose.⁴ Additionally, Staff witness, Adam Stamp is not available for the second day of hearing (Friday, June 27th). As such, Staff respectfully requests that he be excused for the second day of hearing.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *List of Issues, Order of Opening Statements, Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination* for the Commission's information and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 30th day of May, 2025.

<u>/s/ Andrea B. Hansen</u>

⁴ If either the Commissioners or the presiding judge has questions for these Staff members, the OPC and MAWC/Confluence shall have the opportunity to cross those Staff members based on questions from the bench.