

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

In the Matter of ITC Midwest LLC's and)	
Fortis Inc.'s Joint Application for)	<u>File No. EM-2016-0212</u>
Approval of Merger)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION

COME NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through undersigned counsel, and hereby files its *Motion for Extension* ("*Motion*") and in support thereof state that the parties are conducting settlement discussions and need additional time to determine whether an agreement in principle can be reached that resolves the issues of the above-captioned case. Staff requests an additional thirty (30) days for the parties to file a joint settlement or for Staff to file its final recommendation. Counsel for ITC Midwest LLC and Fortis Inc. (collectively, "Applicants") have indicated that they do not oppose this extension.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully requests the Commission accept their *Motion* to extend the filing date for no later than an additional 30 days, for the reasons given above.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been electronically mailed this 8th day of August, 2016 to all counsel of record in this proceeding.

/s/ Nicole Mers