

**IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

IN RE: SOUTHTOWN UTILITIES COMPANY, INC.
MISSOURI CHARTER NO.: 00609851
WASTE WATER TREATMENT OPERATING PERMIT: MO-0121924
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM PERMIT: MO5031408

APPLICATION FOR EXPEDITED PROCESS REGARDING

**SOUTHTOWN UTILITIES COMPANY, INC.'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF
SALE AND TRANSFER OF WASTE WATER UTILITIES AND WATER UTILITIES**

COMES NOW, Southtown Utilities Company, Inc., a Missouri corporation in good standing (the “Seller”), and hereby respectfully requests an expedited process in regards to the Seller’s separate application for approval by the commission for the sale and transfer of Seller’s waste water utilities and water utilities to the City of Bolivar, Missouri (the “Buyer”). The application for approval of sale and transfer has been filed contemporaneously with the filing of the instant Application. In support of this Application, the Seller states as follows:

1. The Seller is looking to (and hoping to) wind down its utilities operations and to get out of the utility business on or before (or as soon as is practical after) December 31, 2015. It will be in the best interests of the Seller’s current customers to have a determination as soon as is possible so that all proper closing and turnover arrangements can be made.
2. The Buyer is a Missouri municipal corporation and will be obtaining lease/purchase arrangements to obtain the Seller’s utilities per the agreement that has been attached to the Seller’s application for approval of sale and transfer. The Buyer currently believes that it can secure a very favorable interest rate towards its lease/purchase at approximately 3.5% per annum. Due to the uncertainty of interest rates and

indications that interest rates will be rising imminently, it is in the best interest of the public to have an expedited process so that interest rates can be locked in as soon as possible at the historically low rates. Even a slight increase in interest rates would cause economic burden on the Buyer and the public at large.

3. The Seller and Buyer have entered into an agreement that has been attached to the Seller's application for approval of sale and transfer. The closing date of the agreement is currently set for no later than December 31, 2015. To the extent possible, the Seller and the Buyer would like to avoid having to extend closing for the reasons set forth in the foregoing paragraphs.
4. The information required by Missouri Code of Federal Regulations § 4 CSR 240-2.060 (1)(B)-(F) has been included in the Seller's application for approval of sale and transfer that has been filed contemporaneously with the instant Application. The Seller hereby incorporates the information contained therein into this Application by reference as if fully set forth herein.
5. Correspondence, communications, and orders and decisions of the commission should be sent to Seller's counsel as follows:

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6. The Seller is not an association.
7. The Seller is in the business of maintaining and operating a waste water treatment system and a public water system in Polk County, Missouri. The Seller's Missouri operating permit number for its waste water treatment system is: MO-0121924. The Seller's Missouri operating permit number for its public water system is: MO5031408. The Seller does not conduct any business other than operating and maintaining the above references systems for the customers of the Seller in Polk County, Missouri.
8. Seller hereby certifies that Seller has no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involves customer service or rates occurring within three (3) years of the date of this Application.
9. Seller hereby certifies that no annual report or assessment fees are overdue as of the date of this Application.
10. The Buyer for the transaction for which approval is sought is a Missouri municipal corporation; and the Seller in good faith believes that the Buyer is not now and would not be after the transaction subject to the jurisdiction of the commission. In the event that the Seller is incorrect about the foregoing, the Buyer will submit any necessary information as required by the commission and 4 CSR 240 (Chapters 2 or 3) prior to any decision on this Application.

WHEREFORE, Southtown Utilities Company, Inc. respectfully requests the approval of the commission for an expedited decision in regards to its separate application for approval of the sale and transfer of its waste water treatment and public water supply utilities to the City of

Bolivar, Missouri. Southtown Utilities Company, Inc. and the City of Bolivar, Missouri will provide any additional information that the commission deems proper under the circumstances as soon as is possible upon notification that such further information is needed.

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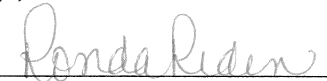
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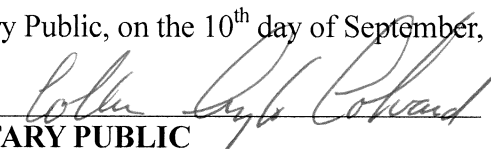
STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF POLK)

Ronda Riden, being duly sworn and under oath, states that she is the Secretary and Treasurer and duly authorized representative of the Seller in the above Application, that she has reviewed the above Application, and that the facts stated in the above and foregoing Application are true and correct according to her best knowledge, information and belief.



Ronda Riden

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, on the 10th day of September, 2015.



NOTARY PUBLIC



My commission expires: Dec. 9, 2018

**AFFIDAVIT OF RONDA RIDEN IN SUPPORT
OF SOUTHTOWN UTILITIES COMPANY, INC.'S APPLICATION**

Ronda Riden, of lawful age and under oath after being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That I am the Secretary and Treasurer of and a duly appointed and authorized officer of Southtown Utilities Company, Inc., a Missouri corporation.
2. I have had the opportunity to fully review the foregoing Application for expedited process regarding the separate application for approval of the sale and transfer of utilities; and I hereby subscribe and verify that all of the information provided therein is true and correct according to my best knowledge and belief.
3. I have been given the authority as a duly appointed and authorized officer of Southtown Utilities Company, Inc. to make this affidavit for and on behalf of the company.
4. Further Affiant sayeth naught.

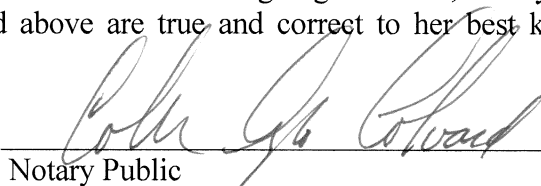
Dated this 10th day of September, 2015.



Ronda Riden

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF POLK)

On September 10, 2015, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Ronda Riden, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Affidavit, and by me being first duly sworn did say that the facts stated above are true and correct to her best knowledge, information and belief.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: *Dec 9, 2018*

