

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of	)		
Algonquin Water Resources of Missouri, LLC,	)		
d/b/a Liberty Water for Authority for	)	<b>Case No.</b>	<b>WO-2011-0328</b>
Liberty Water to Acquire Certain Assets of	)	<b>Tariff No.</b>	<b>YW-2012-0124</b>
Noel Water Co., Inc. and, in Connection Therewith,	)		
Certain Other Related Transactions	)		

**STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON TARIFF SHEETS**

**COMES NOW**, the Staff (Staff) of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and submits to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) *Staff’s Recommendation on Tariff Sheets (Recommendation)* and recommends the Commission approve the tariff sheets submitted in Case No. WO-2011-0328 and Tariff Tracking No. YW-2012-0124. In support of this recommendation, Staff states as follows as follows:

1. On April 6, 2011, Algonquin Water Resources of Missouri, LLC, d/b/a Liberty Water (Liberty Water) and Noel Water Company (Noel Water) filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) a Joint Application and, if Necessary, Motion for Waiver, (*Joint Application*), seeking authority for Liberty Water to acquire certain assets of Noel Water and certain other related transactions connected therewith.

2. On July 25, 2011, Staff filed a *Staff Recommendation (Recommendation)* stating this acquisition is not detrimental to the public interest. On August 3, 2011, Staff filed an *Amended Recommendation*.

3. On August 10, 2011, the Commission issued an *Order Approving Joint Application (Order)* stating that Liberty Water “shall file tariff adoption notice sheets, adopting the water tariff in effect for Noel Water.”

4. On September 22, 2011, Liberty Water filed tariff sheets that were assigned Tracking No. YW-2012-0124 and include:

PSC. Mo No 3, Original Sheet No. Title Page, and

PSC. Mo No 3, Original Sheet No. A

5. The Commission has authority to approve the proposed tariff sheets pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo (2000).

6. Jim Merciel, Utility Regulatory Engineering Supervisor, reviewed the tariff sheets filed in Tracking No. YW-2012-0124 and states that to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief, the proposed sheets comply with the Commission's *Order*. *See attached Affidavit of James A. Merciel, Jr., P.E..*

**WHEREFORE**, Staff supports the revised title page and original adoption notices filed by the Company in Tariff Tracking No. YW-2012-0124, and states that the tariff sheets as described above, comply with the Commission's *Order*. Staff respectfully recommends the Commission approve these filings.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 3rd day of October, 2011.

**/S/ RACHEL M. LEWIS**

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Case No. WO-2011-0328  
Tracking No. YW-2012-0124


AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES A. MERCIEL, JR., P.E.

STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
                                      ) ss  
COUNTY OF COLE     )

James A. Merciel, Jr., P.E., of lawful age, on his oath states: (1) that he is the Utility Regulatory Engineering Supervisor in the Water and Sewer Department of the Missouri Public Service Commission; (2) that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing *Staff's Recommendation on Tariff Sheets*; (3) that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in the foregoing *Staff's Recommendation on Tariff Sheets*; and, (4) that the matters set forth in the foregoing *Staff's Recommendation on Tariff Sheets* are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

  
James A. Merciel, Jr., P.E.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2011.

  
Notary Public

