BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Working Case to)	
Consider Best Practices for Recovery)	Case No. AW-2020-0356
of Past-Due Utility Customer)	
Payments After the Covid-19)	
Pandemic Emergency)	

OPC's Response to the Staff's Report and Motion to Late File the OPC's Response

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") and for its Response to the Staff's Report and motion to late file, states as follows:

- 1. The Office of the Public Counsel offers the attached Memorandum and accompanying attachments in response to the August 4, 2020 Corrected Staff Report.
- 2. The OPC further requests the Commission accept this reply one day late due to an unforeseen illness that delayed the OPC's ability to respond by August 31, 2020. No party will be prejudiced by this short delay.

WHEREFORE, the Office of the Public Counsel respectfully offers this response to the Corrected Staff Report and requests leave to file one day after the deadline established by the Commission's August 12, 2020 Order Directing Responses to the Staff Report.

Respectfully submitted,

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 1st day of September, 2020.

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