BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc., for Authority to Acquire Certain Water Assets in an Area of Gasconade County, Missouri (Gascony Water Company, Inc.)

File No. WM-2025-0065 Tracking No. JW-2025-0126

STAFF'S COMPLIANCE TARIFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), through counsel, and states as follows:

1. On August 26, 2024, Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc.

("Confluence") filed an Application and Motion for Waiver ("Application") with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), asking the Commission to: authorize Confluence to acquire Gascony Water Company, Inc. ("Gascony"); transfer Gascony's Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") to Confluence, or grant Confluence a new CCN; and waive the 60-day notice requirement.

2. On November 26, 2024, Staff filed the *Staff's Report and Recommendation*,

recommending the Commission's approval of the abovementioned requests, with conditions. One of these conditions requires Confluence submit an adoption notice prior to closing on the assets, to adopt the existing Gascony tariffs.

3. On December 19, 2024, the Commission issued an order approving the acquisition, canceling Gascony's CCN and granting Confluence a CCN, waiving the 60-day notice requirement, and adopting Staff's abovementioned condition.

4. On February 22, 2025, Confluence filed the adoption notice as well as the following tariff sheet:

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P.S.C. MO. No. 32

First Revised Sheet No. 6 Canceling Original Sheet No. 6.

5. Staff reviewed the above tariff sheet and finds that the only revision to the tariff adopted from Gascony by Confluence is the conversion from quarterly rates to monthly rates.

6. Thus, Staff finds the tariff sheet above to be compliant with the Commission's Order Approving Acquisition, Canceling Certificates and Granting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity.

7. Therefore, Staff recommends approval of the above tariff sheet.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will accept Staff's Compliance

Tariff and Recommendation as compliant with the Commission's Orders.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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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 4th day of March, 2025.

/s/ Andrea B. Hansen

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AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID A. SPRATT

STATE OF MISSOURI)	
COUNTY OF COLE)	SS.
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COMES NOW DAVID A. SPRATT and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

DAVID A. SPRATT

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 25% day of February 2025.

D. SUZIE MANKIN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: April 04, 2025 Commission Number: 12412070

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