BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the Petition of Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. for Approval to Establish a Water and Sewer Infrastructure Rate Adjustment (WSIRA).	))))	File No. WR-2026-0331 JW-2027-0011 JS-2027-0012

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc. ("Confluence Rivers"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and, as its *Response to Staff Recommendation*, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

1. On July 28, 2026, Confluence Rivers filed a *Petition to Establish a WSIRA* with the Commission. Confluence Rivers seeks to establish a water WSIRA and sewer WSIRA to provide for the recovery of costs for infrastructure system projects eligible for WSIRA recognition.

2. On July 29, 2026, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice, Setting Deadlines, Directing Filings, Consolidating Cases, and Suspending Tariffs*. Among other things, the Commission directed that Staff file its report and recommendation no later than October 26, 2026; and respond to Staff's recommendation or any other objections or recommendations no later than November 2, 2026.

3. Staff filed a Recommendation on October 26, 2026, and workpapers were provided on October 27, 2026. Confluence Rivers has since reviewed those materials and had participated in discussions with Staff in regard to the Recommendation.

4. The Staff Recommendation indicates the Company's WSIRA rates should be designed to recover annual WSIRA revenues of $62,616.34 from District 1 water customers, $139,253.36 from District 2 water customers, $37,134.06 from District 1 sewer customers, and $375,061.84 from District 2 sewer customers – for a total of $201,869.70 in water revenues and

$412,195.90 in sewer revenues.

5. After further discussion with Staff, Confluence Rivers understands that Staff will amend its recommendation to include an additional $16,045.30 of eligible infrastructure system projects as a result of documentation supplied by the Company. With that change, Confluence Rivers will have no objection to the Staff Recommendation.

WHEREFORE, Confluence Rivers respectfully submits this *Response to Staff Recommendation* and requests that the Commission issue an order approving the WSIRA revenues for MAWC as described herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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