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Ms. Amy L. Green, Secretary
Kansas Corporation Commission
1500 S. W. Arrowhead Road
Topeka, Kansas 66604-4027

Re: The Empire District Electric Company/Liberty Utilities Merger
Docket No. 16-EPDE-410-ACQ

Dear Ms. Green:

On December 22, 2016, the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission") issued its Order Granting Joint Motion to Approve the Unanimous Settlement Agreement and Approval of the Joint Application ("Order") in this matter approving the proposed merger as addressed in the application filed by The Empire District Electric Company, Liberty Utilities (Central) Co. and Liberty Sub Corp. As part of the Commission's Order in this matter, it directed Liberty Utilities (Central) Co., within thirty (30) days of the date of closing of the transaction to provide the Commission with details on any debt and equity instruments associated with the transaction and provide copies of such instruments (Order, Exhibit A, p. 17, ¶64).

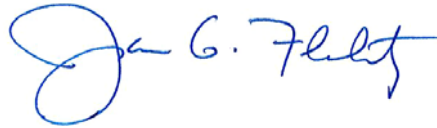
The effective date of the closing of merger transaction is January 1, 2017. However, the closing for the financing of the transaction is not expected to take place until January 26, 2017, and it is this financing closing that is the subject of the report and documentation the Commission is seeking.

With the filing of this letter, Liberty Utilities (Central) Co. is providing notice that it will provide the Commission with details on any debt and equity instruments associated with the transaction and provide copies of such instruments within 30 days of the financial closing, addressing the specific information outlined in the Order.

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If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Sincerely,



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