

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA**

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IN THE MATTER of the Application of                    )     **UTILITY DIVISION**  
Utility Solutions, LLC to Implement                    )  
Initial Rates and Charges for Water Service        ) **DOCKET NO. D2005.11.163**  
In its Elk Grove Subdivision, Gallatin             )  
County, Montana Service Area                        )

**Consolidated with**

IN THE MATTER of the Application of                    )     **UTILITY DIVISION**  
Utility Solutions, LLC to Implement                    )  
Initial Rates and Charges for Waste Water         ) **DOCKET NO. D2005.11.164**  
Service in its Elk Grove Subdivision,             )  
Gallatin County, Montana Service Area             )

**UTILITY SOLUTIONS, LLC RESPONSES  
TO MONTANA CONSUMER COUNSEL DATA REQUESTS  
MCC-072 THROUGH MCC-075**

Utility Solutions, LLC (Utility Solutions) hereby submits the following responses to Montana Consumer Counsel Requests No. MCC-072 through MCC-075, in Dockets No. D2005.11.163 and D2005.11.164.

MCC-072                    RE:    Utility Plant  
                              WITNESS:   Sandra Barrows

Please indicate the dates when the regulated water and waste water facilities were first completed and operational.

RESPONSE: The facilities have only been treated as regulated utility assets since they were first dedicated to public service under the Commission's interim rate orders. Prior to that time, neither Concinnity nor Utility Solutions charged anything for water or waste water service. Utility Solutions acquired the facilities from Concinnity in 2003. Construction of the facilities began in 2001, and became operational in 2002.

MCC-073                    RE:    Accumulated Depreciation  
                              WITNESS:   Sandra Barrows

What were the balances for accumulated depreciation/amortization for the wastewater treatment plant, the water distribution facility, the sewer transmission & distribution mains, and permits, fees, and licenses at the time Utility Solutions purchased these items from Concinnity?

RESPONSE: Utility Solutions does not believe there were "balances for accumulated depreciation/amortization" as the facilities were not dedicated to public service and treated as regulated assets until the entry of the Commission's interim orders. Utility Solutions does not know what, if any, depreciation Concinnity might have claimed on an income tax return.

MCC-074                    RE:    Permits, Fees, and Licenses  
                                 WITNESS:    Sandra Barrows

Please provide receipts/invoices detailing the August 8, 2003 balance of \$336,053 in capitalized permits, fees, and licenses for the regulated water and sewer plants shown in the exhibit for the response to MCC-071.

RESPONSE: Utility Solutions believes that the only extant receipts are those that were made available at the on-site audit.

MCC-075                    RE:    Allocation of Assets  
                                 WITNESS:    Sandra Barrows

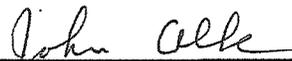
Please provide Exhibit G to the Agreement to Sell and Purchase between Concinnity and Utility Solutions which is referenced in paragraph 3.1 of that agreement.

RESPONSE: There was no completed Exhibit G to the agreement. Galusha, Higgins, and Galusha were retained after the sale to examine Concinnity's records and do the required allocations.

Dated December 8, 2009.

**HUGHES, KELLNER, SULLIVAN & ALKE, PLLP**

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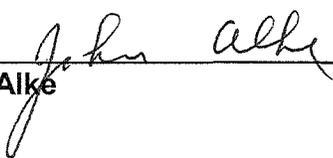
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**ATTORNEYS FOR UTILITY SOLUTIONS, LLC**

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that a copy of the **UTILITY SOLUTIONS, LLC RESPONSES TO MONTANA CONSUMER COUNSEL DATA REQUESTS MCC-072 THROUGH MCC-075** was served upon the following by hand delivering a true and correct copy thereof on this 8th day of December, 2009, addressed as follows:

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