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Hon. Herbert H. Hilliard, Chairman c/o Ectory Lawless, Docket Room Manager Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Nashville, TN 37243 TPUC.DocketRoom@tn.gov Electronically Filed in TPUC Docket Room on September 22, 2023 at 2:40 p.m.

RE: Joint Application of Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC, and Integrated Resource Management, Inc. d/b/a IRM Utility, Inc., for Approval of the Acquisition of and to Operate the Wastewater System of Integrated Resource Management, Inc. d/b/a IRM Utility, Inc., and to Transfer or Issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, TPUC Docket No. 23-00037

### Dear Chairman Hilliard:

Attached for filing please find the *Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC's Supplemental Response DR 1-18 to First Discovery Requests of the Consumer Advocate* as well as the *Verification* to the Responses which were filed on September 21, 2023, in the above-captioned docket.

As required, the original plus four (4) hard copies will be mailed to your office. Should you have any questions concerning this filing, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Melvin J. Malone

### Attachments

cc: Russ Mitten, Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC

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### BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:	)
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JOINT APPLICATION OF LIMESTONE	)
WATER UTILITY OPERATING	)
COMPANY, LLC, AND INTEGRATED	)
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, INC.	)
D/B/A IRM UTILITY, INC., FOR	)
APPROVAL OF THE ACQUISITION OF	) DOCKET NO. 23-00037
AND TO OPERATE THE	)
WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF	)
INTEGRATED RESOURCE	)
MANAGEMENT, INC. D/B/A IRM	)
UTILITY, INC., AND TO TRANSFER OR	)
ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC	)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY	)

# LIMESTONE WATER UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FIRST DISCOVERY REQUESTS OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE

Limestone Water Utility Operating Company, LLC ("Limestone"), by and through counsel, hereby submits its Supplemental Response to 1-18 of the First Discovery Responses propounded by the Consumer Advocate Division of the Attorney General's Office ("Consumer Advocate"). The supplemental information can be found in Response 1-18(c) and changes the dollar amount to \$30,000 from \$219,999.96 in Limestone's initial Responses, filed on September 21, 2022.

**1-18.** Refer to the Petition, Exhibit 9, Direct Testimony of Josiah Cox at 13:12-22. Specifically, refer to his discussion of the use of third-party contractors to provide Operating and Maintenance services on behalf of Limestone and provide the following:

- (a) Identify the entity(ies) providing third-party Operating and Maintenance (O&M) services to Limestone's existing systems;
- (b) Provide the annualized cost of such services based upon the current contract in effect; and
- (c) Provide the estimated annual incremental O&M cost accruing to Limestone as a result of this acquisition.

### **RESPONSE:**

- (a) Clearwater Solutions is the only O&M firm currently operating Limestone's systems in Tennessee.
- (b) The annualized cost of such services based upon the current contract in effect is \$462,600.
- (c) The estimated annual incremental O&M cost accruing to Limestone as a result of this acquisition, based on the 2023 budget, is \$30,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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## IN THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:  JOINT APPLICATION OF LIMESTONE WATER UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC, AND INTEGRATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, INC. D/B/A IRM UTILITY, INC, FOR APPROVAL OF THE ACQUISITION OF AND TO OPERATE THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM OF	DOCKET NO. 23-00037	
INTEGRATED RESOURCE  MANAGEMENT, INC. D/B/A IRM  UTILITY, INC, AND TO TRANSFER OR  ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC		
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY		
VERIFICATION		
STATE OF <u>Missouri</u> ) COUNTY OF <u>St. Louis</u> )		
BEFORE ME, the undersigned, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the State and		
County aforesaid, personally came and appeared <u>Eric Rocchio</u> being by me first duly		
sworn deposed and said that:		
He, being duly sworn, verifies that these disc	covery responses are accurate to the best of his	
knowledge and ability.	Sture]	

Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>ZZNDP</u> day of <u>SEPTEMBER</u>, 2023.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: [15, 7026



### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via U.S. Mail or electronic mail upon:

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This the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2023.

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