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Dear Ms. Keys,

It is the pleasure of Missouri Water Environment Association (MWEA) to write this letter in support of Columbia's Integrated Management Plan. We are a strong supporter of the Integrated Management Plan approach where is it appropriate, as it provides the community with the opportunity to holistically prioritize water infrastructure needs. We appreciate that the City of Columbia embraced the opportunity to develop a long-term wastewater and stormwater infrastructure plan that meets the affordability needs of all residents as well as the current growth and development of the City.

MWEA acknowledges that the City's Integrated Management Plan addresses compliance with the Clean Water Act and Missouri Clean Water Law by taking into consideration all surface water quality and biological concerns during the development of the plan. Further, MWEA agrees that the implementation of the 5-year action plan will ensure that the City is proactive in taking the steps necessary to achieve the optimal level of human health and environmental compliance. Finally, MWEA appreciates the City's commitment to an optimized level of investments that are projected to maintain an affordable rate for the overall community.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Columbia Integrated Management Plan. MWEA supports the finalization of the Integrated Management Plan in the near future.

Sincerely,

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