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A Letter from your Commissioner De'Keither A. Stamps

Dear Central Mississippi Residents,

I am thrilled to serve Central Mississippi as the newly elected Public Service Commissioner. I am confident that with my many years of dedicated service and passion for our communities, I stand ready to bring positive change and improved services to our region. As your new Public Service Commissioner, I will contribute a wealth of experience, integrity and a vision for a brighter future.

I have outlined several key priorities for my term as your Public Service Commissioner:

Affordable Utilities: I am dedicated to ensuring that utility rates remain fair and afford-

able for all Central Mississippi residents. I will work tirelessly to protect consumers and

keep essential services accessible.

- Improving Infrastructure: Our region deserves top-notch infrastructure. I will focus on improving roads, bridges and broadband access to promote economic growth and connectivity.
- Environmental Responsibility: I am committed to preserving our environment for future generations. I will work on initiatives that promote clean energy and reduce our carbon footprint.
- Enhancing Public Safety: Your safety is paramount. I will collaborate with law enforcement and emergency services to ensure that Central Mississippi remains a safe place to live and work, especially during and after natural disasters.

I encourage all Central Mississippi residents to get involved and share your thoughts and concerns with my staff and me. Your input is invaluable in shaping the future of our communities. Feel free to reach out to my office with any questions, suggestions or feedback. I will be introducing my staff in our next newsletter.

Let's move Mississippi forward together!

Sincerely,

Commissioner De Keither Stamps

On January 4, I was officially <u>sworn into office</u> as your Mississippi Central District Public Service Commissioner. The swearing-in ceremony took place at the Mississippi State Capitol and I was joined by my newly elected colleagues who were also sworn in, Commissioner Chris Brown (Northern District / pictured right) and Commissioner Wayne Carr (Southern District / pictured left).



I give a heartfelt thank you to the MBC-LEO for the incredible honor of being the guest speaker at their recent luncheon! It was truly a privilege to share my thoughts and insights with such an esteemed group of leaders and visionaries. Your dedication to leadership and community empowerment is a beacon of hope and progress.











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Congratulations to Governor Tate Reeves on his inauguration as Mississippi's 65th Governor! Tuesday, January 9, 2024





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r emphasize the importance of early action and encourage entres, counties and residents to inspect their properties for any signs of dead or dying trees," Commissioner Shamps said, "Our goal is to prioritize their safety and the safety of others before the onset of winter storms. Together, we can create safer and more resilient communities throughout our state."

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NEWS from the Central District

We are strongly encouraging cities, counties and private residents to identify dead trees on their property and remove them.

Read our <u>press release</u> for more information.



As we wrapped up another heartwarming commemoration of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, January 15, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone in Leake County. This year's events - the beautiful community march and community town hall- have not only honored Dr. King's memory but also echoed his message of unity, equality, and justice.



The Mississippi Public Service Commission conducted the first monthly docket meeting of the year on January 18 to discuss pending matters on the docket. I was thrilled to join my colleagues as we continue the work of the Public Service Commission.



Jobs in the Mississippi Utility Industry

As your Commissioner, I am committed to promoting Mississippi's utility industry as an important driver to the success of the state's economic development.

Many people are not aware of the good-paying and stable jobs offered in every community across the state by local, regional and national utility companies.

Learn more about the career and internship opportunities we have in Mississippi.

