

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's)
Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate) Case No. WR-2015-0301
Increase for Water and Sewer Service Provided in)
Missouri Service Areas)

**CITY OF BRUNSWICK'S MOTION TO BE EXCUSED FROM PART OF THE
EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

The City of Brunswick, Missouri, (City) files this Motion to be excused from part of the evidentiary hearing scheduled to begin on March 14, 2016. The City states the following in support of its Motion:

1. The City filed an Application to Intervene pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 and the Missouri Public Service Commission's (Commission's) *Order Suspending Tariff, Directing Notice, Setting Hearings and Directing Filings* (Order) dated August 5, 2015.
2. The Commission granted the City's Application on September 9, 2015.
3. The Commission's Order scheduled the evidentiary hearing for March 14, 2016, to March 25, 2016.
4. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed the List of Issues, List and Order of Witnesses, Order of Opening Statements, and Order of Cross-Examination (List) on March 10, 2016.
5. The List schedules a total of 47 issues to be heard at the evidentiary hearing.
6. The List schedules the issues of district consolidation, Issue 31, and rate design, Issue 32, for hearing on March 22, 2016.
7. The City's interests are directly related to the issues of district consolidation and rate design.

8. The City has no opinion or position regarding the other issues in this case.
9. The City has a limited budget for legal services and must optimize its spending on those services.
10. Requiring the City to attend the entire hearing will cause the City to exceed its budget for legal services.
11. The City is willing to waive any opening statements regarding issues not related to district consolidation or rate design.
12. The City is willing to waive examination of witnesses testifying on issues not related to district consolidation or rate design.

Therefore, the City respectfully requests that the Commission excuse the City from the evidentiary hearing on the days when issues other than district consolidation and rate design are being heard.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that true and accurate copies of this Motion were sent by e-mail on March 10, 2016, to all parties on the official service list for this case.

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