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**DIRECT TESTIMONY** 

OF

CARL R. MEYERS

ON BEHALF OF

MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

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### OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

IN THE MATTER OF MISSOURI-AMERICAN )
WATER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO )
FILE TARIFFS REFLECTING INCREASED )
RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER )
SERVICE )

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## **AFFIDAVIT OF CARL R. MEYERS**

Carl R. Meyers, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the witness who sponsors the accompanying testimony entitled "Direct Testimony of Carl R. Meyers"; that said testimony was prepared by him and/or under his direction and supervision; that if inquiries were made as to the facts in said testimony, he would respond as therein set forth; and that the aforesaid testimony is true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

Carl R. Meyers

State of New Jersey
County of Camden
SUBSCRIBED and sworn to
Before me this <u>28th</u> day of <u>July</u> 2015.

My commission expires:

BEVERLY A. VAZQUEZ
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
ID # 50014203
My Commission Expires 4/20/2020

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# DIRECT TESTIMONY

1		CARL R. MEYER
2 3		I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>
4 5	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.
6		My name is Carl R. Meyers and my business address is 131 Woodcrest Road, Cherry
7		Hill, New Jersey 08003.
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9	Q.	BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?
10	A.	I am employed by American Water Works Service Company, Inc. ("Service Company")
11		as the Director of Income Tax. The Service Company is a subsidiary of American Water
12		Works Company, Inc. ("American Water") that provides support services to American
13		Water's subsidiaries, including Missouri-American Water Company, Inc. ("Missouri
14		American", or the "Company").
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16	Q.	PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL
17		QUALIFICATIONS.
18	A.	I graduated from Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey in 1993 with a Bachelor of
19		Science degree in Accounting and I am a Certified Public Accountant. I have over 20
20		years of tax and accounting experience with approximately 9 years in the utility industry.
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22	Q.	PLEASE OUTLINE YOUR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE.
23	A.	Most of my career has been in public accounting. I began my work experience at Konnor
24		and Company, PC from 1994-1995 as a Staff Auditor, at Baratz and Associates, PA from

1		1995-1998 as a Senior Accountant and at Pricewaterhouse Coopers from 1998-2005 as a
2		Tax Manager. My utility experience began while working for Ernst & Young from 2005-
3		2009 as a Senior Tax Manager. American Water was one of my clients where I provided
4		consulting services on FAS 109 (Accounting for Income Taxes), FIN 48 (Uncertain Tax
5		Positions) and related topics. In addition, I was an instructor and speaker on various
6		topics including FAS 109, FIN 48, and Sarbanes Oxley 404 (Internal Controls). After
7		Ernst & Young, I worked briefly at Integra LifeSciences Corporation from 2009-2010 as
8		Director of Tax Accounting before joining American Water in 2010 as Director of
9		Income Tax.
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11	Q.	HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY PARTICIPATED IN REGULATORY MATTERS?
12	A.	Yes. I have testified before the Kentucky Public Service Commission and provided
13		written testimony to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, California Public Utilities
14		Commission, and Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission regarding income tax matters.
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16	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?
17	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to support and explain current and deferred state and
18		federal tax adjustments.
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20		II. <u>INCOME TAXES</u>
21 22	Q.	PLEASE EXPLAIN THE COMPANY'S CALCULATION OF ITS PRO FORMA
23		LEVEL OF INCOME TAXES.

1	A.	The company's pro forma level of current mediae taxes at present rates is based of
2		deducting from revenues all operating expenses and interest expense. Additional add-
3		backs and deductions are reflected for tax-over book depreciation, repairs tax deduction
4		non-deductible meals, and preferred stock expense. The resulting taxable income is then
5		multiplied by the state and federal statutory tax rates of 6.25% and 35%, respectively.
6		Deferred income taxes for the temporary timing difference related to tax-over book
7		depreciation and the repairs tax deduction were calculated at the statutory tax rates. The
8		per books level of the amortization of the deferred investment tax credits ("ITC") and the
9		deferred taxes associated with the amortization of the regulatory assets and liabilities was
10		also included in the calculation of income taxes.
11		Income taxes at proposed rates reflect the impact of the Company's request for additional
12		revenues.
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# 14 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

15 A. Yes, it does.