

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)	
Company for Authority (1) Issue up to)	
\$200,000,000 of Unsecured Long-Term)	
Debt and (2) to Issue and sell Additional)	
Common Stock to, or Receive Additional)	Case No. WF-2007-0279
Paid-in Capital from Its Parent Company)	
in an Aggregate Amount up to)	
\$105,000,000.)	

**RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING STAFF
TO STATE WHEN IT WILL FILE A RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and, for its Response to Order Directing Staff to State When it Will File a Recommendation, states to the Missouri Public Service Commission as follows.

1. On January 30, 2007, the Commission issued an order in this case directing the Staff to file a pleading by no later than February 8, 2007, stating when it will file a recommendation in this case.

2. To further its investigation in this case, the Staff has issued data requests to Missouri-American Water Company. The responses to those data request are due by no later than February 22, 2007. Staff may have additional data requests after responses to these data requests are received and more analysis is done.

3. Consistent with informal guidelines for the processing of financing cases where expedited treatment has not been requested, the Staff proposes to file its recommendation in this case by no later than March 26, 2007.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully submits this Response to Order Directing Staff to State When It Will File a Recommendation in this Case for the Commission's consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or emailed to all counsel of record on this 8th day of February, 2007.

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