

**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) WR-2011-0337
Increase for Water and Sewer Service Provided in)
Missouri Service Areas)

MOTION TO WITHDRAW

COMES NOW Gary C. Lentz of the law firm of Spencer, Scott & Dwyer, P.C., an attorney of record herein for The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire"), and hereby requests leave to withdraw as attorney of record in this proceeding. Craig S. Johnson of the law firm of Johnson & Sporleder, LLP, entered his appearance herein on behalf of Empire on September 29, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been has been hand-delivered, transmitted by e-mail or mailed, First Class, postage prepaid, this 30th day of September, 2011, to all parties on the Commission's service list in this case.

/s/ Gary C. Lentz