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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts  
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P. O. Box 360  
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**RE: Missouri-American Water Company - Consolidated Case Nos. WR-2000-281  
SR-2000-282**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

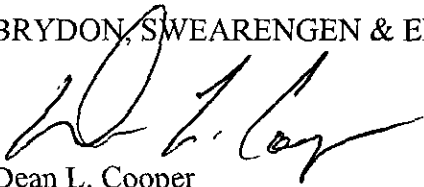
Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find an original and fourteen copies of MAWC's Response to Motion to Extend time for Intervention. Please stamp the enclosed extra copy "filed" and return same to me.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, then please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By:



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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

In the Matter of Missouri-American )  
Water Company's Tariff Sheets Designed )  
to Implement General Rate Increases for ) Case No. WR-2000-281  
Water and Sewer Service provided to ) Case No. SR-2000-282  
Customers in the Missouri Service Area )  
of the Company. )

**MAWC'S RESPONSE TO  
MOTION TO EXTEND TIME FOR INTERVENTION**

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC" or "Company") and, in response to the Motion to Extend Time for Intervention, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

1. On October 28, 1999, the Commission issued its Suspension Order and Notice in which it, among other things, ordered that parties seeking to intervene file their applications by November 17, 1999.

2. On or about November 16, 1999, the Cities of Warrensburg, O'Fallon and Weldon Spring filed a Motion to Extend Time for Intervention. This motion requested that the Commission extend the period for applications to intervene until December 7, 1999.

3. On or about November 16, 1999, Ag Processing Inc., a cooperative ("Ag Processing"); Friskies Petcare, a division of Nestle USA ("FRiskies"); and Wire Rope Corporation of America Inc. ("Wire Rope") filed their Support of Motion to Extend Time for Intervention ("Support").

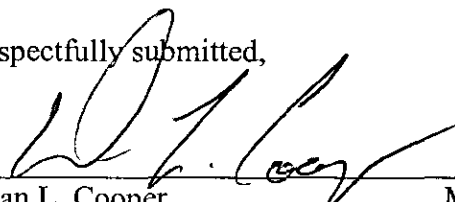
4. MAWC has no objection to extending the period for applications to intervene until December 7, 1999.

5. MAWC will take this opportunity to clarify the record in one aspect. In their

Support, AG Processing, Friskies and Wire Rope allege that "Ag Processing Inc. was an active participant in the last several cases filed by this utility yet has received no notification of the filing of this rate case." MAWC is not aware whether Ag Processing received individual notice of this rate filing. MAWC did, however, provide copies of its cover letter, revised tariff sheets and minimum filing requirements which initiated this case to all counsel who had appeared in the "last several cases filed by this utility," including Ag Processing's counsel in this proceeding. The packet received by these counsel included press releases which MAWC sent to newspapers serving each of its seven districts. MAWC was not required by statute or regulation to either notify past intervenors or to provide notice to these newspapers. However, it did take these steps and the record should reflect MAWC's openness with this filing.

WHEREFORE, MAWC requests that the Commission issue its order granting an extension of the intervention deadline to December 7, 1999, and granting such further relief as it shall find to be reasonable and just.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of ~~November~~ December, 1999, to the following:

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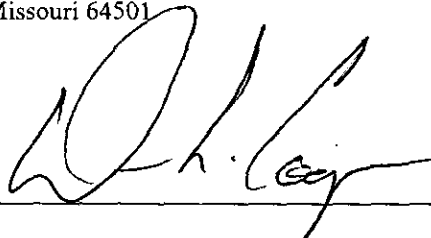
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