

**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 Increase for Water and Sewer
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas.

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Case No. WR-2008-0311

NOTICE REGARDING EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Issue Date: April 17, 2008

On April 17, 2008, I received the attached letter from Representative Steve Hunter.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 17th day of April, 2008.
Davis, Chairman

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April 9, 2008

Mr. Jeff Davis, Chairman
Missouri Public Service Commission
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Dear Chairman Davis:

As State Representative of the 127th District, I am compelled to forward my concerns regarding the proposed rate increase by Missouri American Water Company in Joplin, MO. This increase will put a burden on the individual citizens and the businesses in my legislative district.

Last year, a rate increase of 64% was granted to pay for new infrastructure in Southwest Missouri. The proposed increase of 32% in Case No. WR-2008-0311 would double the rate in less than a year. Such an increase is extreme.

I strongly encourage the Public Service Commission to consider the burdens place upon the taxpayers by such a drastic increase. I ask that you take a serious look at this increase and determine that it is, in fact, needed and justifiable.

Thank you in advance for your efforts to protect the taxpayers and citizens in District 127.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Hunter".

Steve Hunter
State Representative, District 127