EXHIBIT NO.

ISSUE: REVENUE REQUIREMENT WITNESS: MAYOR KATHY ROSE

TYPE OF EXHIBIT: DIRECT

**TESTIMONY** 

SPONSORING PARTY: CITY OF

**RIVERSIDE** 

CASE NUMBER: WR-2011-0337 DATE PREPARED: NOVEMBER 17,

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## MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

WR-2011-0337

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

#### **MAYOR KATHY ROSE**

# BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ON BEHALF OF

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

NOVEMBER 17, 2011

1		Missouri-American Water Company
2		WR-2011-0337
3		Direct Testimony of Mayor Kathy Rose
4	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.
5	A.	My name is Kathy Rose.
6	Q.	ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU APPEARING FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS
` 7		DIRECT TESTIMONY?
8	A.	I am appearing for the purposes of this testimony on behalf of intervenor City of
9		Riverside (the "City"). The City receives service directly and its residents also receive
10		service from Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC").
11	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EMPLOYMENT.
12	A.	I am the Mayor of the City.
13	Q.	WHAT IS YOUR INTEREST IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE?
14	A.	I am testifying as a representative of the City, which is attempting to protect its citizens in
15		the present case. The City is within the Parkville District, subject to the Platte County
16		water tariff at issue in this case.
17	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?
18	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to address whether the City supports a consolidated tariff
19		rate structure and to address certain water service and public safety issues affecting the
20		City.

### 1 Q. DOES THE CITY SUPPORT A CONSOLIDATED TARIFF RATE STRUCTURE

- 2 AS REQUESTED BY MAWC IN THIS CASE?
- 3 A. Yes, provided that the water rates applicable to customers located within the City are
- 4 reduced by at least the amount described in MAWC's materials filed in this case.
- 5 However, the City also believes that the inadequate fire flows produced by MAWC's
- 6 water distribution system, as described in the testimony submitted by David Blackburn in
- 7 this case, should be a factor in determining the final tariff rates.
- 8 Q. DOES THE CITY BELIEVE THAT MAWC SHOULD TAKE FURTHER
- 9 ACTION TO ADDRESS THE CITY'S PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS
- 10 **REGARDING FIRE FLOWS?**
- 11 A. Yes, the City is very concerned about the public safety issues created by the inadequate
- fire flows produced by MAWC's water distribution system, and is not satisfied with
- MAWC's previous responses to this issue. The City believes that MAWC should take
- every reasonable action to correct the fire flow deficiencies within the water distribution
- system. At a minimum, MAWC must take action in good faith in order to address these
- issues. For example, if MAWC could commit to improve the fire flows within the City to
- 17 comply with the City's current fire flow requirements based on the 2003 International
- Fire Code by the year 2020, and to add at least one fire hydrant (or a number as agreed
- between MAWC and the City's Fire Chief) to the water distribution system within the
- 20 City per year, it would be a step in the right direction.

## Q. BASED ON THE FOREGOING, WHAT RELIEF ARE YOU REQUESTING IN

#### 2 RELATION TO THESE ISSUES?

The City believes that a consolidated rate structure should be adopted only if the water rates applicable to customers located within the City are reduced by at least the amount described in MAWC's materials filed in this case, and that the inadequate fire flows produced by MAWC's water distribution system should be a factor in determining the final tariff rates. The City also believes that MAWC is obligated to keep its infrastructure reasonably updated to comply with the City's reasonable fire flow requirements, and that the costs of any necessary or advisable upgrades should be shared by MAWC's equity owners. Therefore, the City requests that a consolidated tariff rate structure and final tariff rates consistent with the foregoing be adopted in this case. The City also requests that MAWC be required to take reasonable action in good faith to update its water distribution system in order to comply with the City's reasonable fire flow requirements consistent with the foregoing, and to ensure that the equity owners of MAWC share in the cost of such improvements in a reasonable manner.

#### Q. DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

17 A. Yes.

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4 5 6 7 8	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  Case No. WR-2011-0337
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10	Affidavit of Mayor Kathy Rose
11 12 13	State of Missouri ) ) ss. County of Platte )
14	Kathy Rose, being first duly sworn, on her oath states:
15	1. My name is Kathy Rose. I am Mayor of the City of Riverside, Missouri.
16 17	2. The above Direct Testimony in question and answer form was prepared by me, or at my direction.
18 19	3. I hereby swear and affirm that the aforesaid written direct testimony is true and accurate to the best of my present knowledge, information and belief.
20 21	Kathy Rose Kathy Rose
22	Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 17th day of November, 2011.
23 24	Molary Public Public
25	My commission expires:

