BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
Missouri-American Water Company and Tri States)
Utility, Inc. for Authority for Missouri-American Water) File No. WO-2013-0517
Company to Acquire Certain Assets of Tri States)
Utility, Inc. and in Connection Therewith,)
Certain Other Related Transactions)

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and hereby submits its *Request for Extension*, stating as follows:

- 1. On June 12, 2013, Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") and Tri States Utility, Inc. ("Tri States") filed a joint application before the Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking authority for Tri States to sell substantially all its assets to MAWC.
- 2. On June 13, 2013, the Commission entered an *Order Directing Notice*, Setting Intervention Deadline, and Directing Filing, which directed Staff to investigate the sale and file a report with the Commission no later than July 25, 2013.
- 3. On July 5, 2013, Great Southern Bank ("Bank") filed an *Application to Intervene*, which the Commission granted. No other party sought to intervene.
- 4. In compliance with the Commission's *Order*, Staff has been investigating this matter, with the cooperation of MAWC, Tri States, and the Bank. However, due to the volume of information Staff is still gathering and reviewing, Staff's investigation will not be complete by July 25, 2013.
- 5. Staff intends to complete its investigation by August 13, 2013, and requests an extension of time to file its Report until then.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests an extension until August 13, 2013, in order to complete its investigation and file its Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first-class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 25th day of July, 2013.

/s/ Amy E. Moore____