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RE: Missouri-American Water Company - Consolidated Case Nos. WR-2000-281

SR-2000-282

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Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find an original and fourteen copies of MAWC's Response to OPC's Second Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Consideration. Please stamp the enclosed extra copy "filed" and return same to me.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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MAWC'S RESPONSE TO OPC'S SECOND MOTION TO COMPEL AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC" or "Company") and, in response to the Office of the Public Counsel's ("OPC") Second Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Consideration ("Motion"), states to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as follows:

- 1. On March 31, 2000, the OPC filed its Motion with the Commission. The Motion, among other things, asked that the Commission compel MAWC to respond to OPC's data requests numbers 123, 131, 111 through 118, and 3025.
- 2. On April 4, 2000, the Commission issued its Order Shortening Time for Response in which it ordered MAWC to file its response, if any, to the OPC Motion no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, 2000.
- 3. MAWC's responses to the subject data requests have been hampered by the movement of personnel and changes of responsibilities. However, MAWC has sought to resolve this matter by providing responses to the subject data requests which are agreeable to the OPC. MAWC has provided answers to OPC data requests numbers 131, 111-114, 116-118 and 3025 which it believes have satisfied the OPC requests.
 - 4. MAWC has delivered a partial response to OPC data request number 115 today and

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will deliver the additional documents to complete this response on Friday, April 7, 2000.

5. The remaining OPC data request is OPC data request number 123. MAWC has delivered a more detailed response to this data request which addresses the information sought as of the most recent date requested – February 29, 2000. Because of the great amount of time involved in compiling the remaining information, MAWC has initiated discussions with the OPC to determine whether an accommodation can be reached as to this remaining information.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order: 1) denying the Motion to Compel filed by the OPC on March 31, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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