

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by telephone and internet audio conference on the 20th day of January, 2021.

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's Application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Install, Own, Acquire, Construct, Operate, Control, Manage and Maintain a Sewer System in and around the City of Hallsville, Missouri )  
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) **File No. SA-2021-0017**  
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**ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

Issue Date: January 20, 2021

Effective Date: January 20, 2021

On July 20, 2020, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) applied for a certificate of convenience and necessity to install, own, acquire, construct, operate, control, manage, and maintain a sewer system in and around Hallsville, Missouri. MAWC requests Commission approval to acquire the City of Hallsville sewer system. The Commission approved Boone County Regional Sewer District's (District) application to intervene in this matter.

On November 18, 2020, the Staff of the Commission filed its recommendation to approve MAWC's application with specified conditions. On December 4, 2020, the District objected<sup>1</sup> to Staff's recommendation and requested the Commission deny MAWC's application or conduct an evidentiary hearing. On December 21, 2020, the Commission directed the parties to file a joint proposed procedural schedule.

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<sup>1</sup> The District filed an amended response to Staff's recommendation on December 8, 2020.

On January 8, 2020, the parties filed a proposed procedural schedule, including an evidentiary hearing to be conducted by telephone and video conference, subject to further order. The Commission will adopt the proposed schedule, as provided below.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

<b>Direct Testimony – Company and Staff</b>	January 26, 2021
<b>Rebuttal Testimony – Non-direct parties</b>	February 23, 2021
<b>Surrebuttal Testimony – All parties</b>	March 16, 2021
<b>Last day to request discovery</b>	March 22, 2021
<b>Joint List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, Order of Cross-Examination, Order of Opening Filed by Staff</b>	March 22, 2021
<b>Position Statements</b>	March 24, 2021
<b>Evidentiary Hearing</b>	April 8, 2021
<b>Initial Briefs</b>	May 4, 2021
<b>Reply Briefs</b>	May 11, 2021

2. The parties shall appear for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on April 8, 2021. The evidentiary hearing shall be conducted by telephone and video conference, also accessible by Webex.

3. Connection information for the telephone and video conference will be provided by further order, and a Webex link will be distributed by e-mail to all parties.

4. A live audio web stream at the Commission's website, [www.psc.mo.gov](http://www.psc.mo.gov), will provide audio of the hearing for those who wish to observe.

5. Those who require additional accommodations to participate in this hearing may call the Public Service Commission's hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

6. As agreed by the parties, the time period for objection and response to data requests pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090 shall be shortened as of the date rebuttal testimony is required to be filed in this case. As of that date, the response time for all data requests shall be 10 days, with five business days to object. If a deadline pursuant to this provision would occur on a weekend or a Commission holiday, the due date is the next regular business day.

7. The parties shall comply with the following procedural requirements:

(A) Prepared testimony shall be filed in compliance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.130.

(B) Although not all parties may agree upon how each issue should be described, or on whether a listed issue is a proper issue in this case, the parties shall agree on a list of issues. The list of issues shall be detailed enough to inform the Commission of each issue that must be resolved. Any issue not identified in the list of issues may be considered uncontested.

(C) The parties shall agree upon and Staff shall file a list of the issues, the witnesses to appear at hearing, the order in which witnesses will be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness.

(D) Each party shall file a concise statement summarizing its position on each disputed issue. Position statements shall set forth any order requested, cite any law authorizing such an order, allege relevant facts and

cite testimony in support.

(E) Briefs shall correspond to the list of issues filed in the case and shall include citations to the record.

8. A forthcoming order will address how any proposed exhibits, other than pre-filed testimony, will be exchanged by the parties and provided to the presiding officer and Commission to enable remote hearing.

9. This order shall be effective on January 20, 2021.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and  
Holsman CC., concur.

Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge