BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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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

File No. SA-2021-0017

ORDER ON REMOTE HEARING AND ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Issue Date: January 28, 2021 Effective Date: January 28, 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 system.

On January 20, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Setting Procedural Schedule* and set a hearing date of April 8, 2021, with the hearing to be conducted by telephone and video conference, also accessible by Webex.

As contemplated by the Commission's procedural order, the Commission has established a Webex connection for the evidentiary hearing. In addition, to facilitate remote hearing, the Commission will establish a date for a prehearing conference, which will allow the regulatory law judge to consult the parties in regard to the identification and disclosure of exhibits to be used at hearing. The prehearing conference will also give the parties the opportunity to test the connections and equipment counsel and witnesses intend to use for hearing and to consult on any technology issues before the evidentiary hearing. If necessary, parties may propose alternative times and/or dates for a prehearing conference, but should do so promptly.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. All parties shall appear for a prehearing conference via telephone and video conference at 10:15 a.m. April 2, 2021. The conference may be accessed by phone by dialing, toll-free, 1 (855) 718-6621 and entering access code **177 976 8915**, followed by #, when prompted. As an alternative to the toll-free line, the conference may also be accessed by dialing 1 (650) 479-3207.

2. Parties shall arrange for all witnesses expected to appear at hearing to attend the prehearing conference. Witnesses should connect to the prehearing conference with the equipment and connection the witness expects to use for the hearing on April 8, 2021.

3. Any request to reschedule the time or date of the prehearing conference shall advise whether counsel has consulted with all other parties, and shall include a joint proposal for an alternative time and/or date, if possible. Such requests shall be filed no later than February 8, 2021.

4. All parties shall appear for evidentiary hearing via telephone and video conference at 8:15 a.m. April 8, 2021. The conference may be accessed by phone by dialing, toll-free, 1 (855) 718-6621 and entering access code **177 908 3140**, followed by #, at the appropriate time. As an alternative to the toll-free line, the conference may also be accessed by dialing 1 (650) 479-3207.

5. As an alternative to connection by phone, the prehearing conference and evidentiary hearing are accessible as a Webex video conference. Webex links for the

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prehearing conference and the evidentiary hearing will be distributed by e-mail to all parties.

6. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of January, 2021.