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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 19th
day of June, 1997.

In the matter of Missouri-American Water)
Company for permission, approval, and a)
Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)
authorizing it to construct, install, own,)
operate, control, manage and maintain a)
water system for the public in certain)
areas in St. Charles County, Missouri.)

Case No. WA-97-45

ORDER GRANTING MOTION

On August 2, 1996 Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) filed an Application with the Commission requesting an order from the Commission granting approval to serve areas in St. Charles County, Missouri, adjacent to and contiguous with its current service area. As a part of this filing, MAWC is required by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080 to file a certified copy of its articles of incorporation.

On May 27, 1997 MAWC filed a motion requesting waiver of the above-stated rule. As part of its motion, MAWC filed one certified copy of its updated articles of incorporation. MAWC requests the Commission waive the requirement that MAWC provide 14 copies of these articles as the articles themselves are voluminous and would cost \$130.00 per copy.

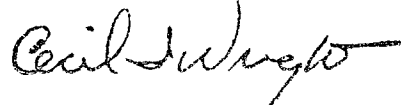
The Commission finds that a waiver is appropriate in this case due to the expenses, likely borne by the ratepayer, for the normal 14 copies of the MAWC articles of incorporation. The Commission will grant the MAWC motion and waive the 14-copy requirement.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the motion of Missouri-American Water Company for a waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.080, requiring the filing of 14 copies of its articles of incorporation, is hereby granted.

2. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Zobrist, Chm., Crumpton, Drainer,
Murray, and Lumpe, CC., Concur.

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