## BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri American	)		
Water Company's Request for	)	Case.No.	WR-2010-0131
Authority to Implement a General Rate	)		
Increase for Water Service Provided	)		
in Missouri Service Areas	ý		

## APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE MISSOURI

COMES NOW, the City of Riverside Missouri, a fourth class city, by and through undersigned counsel and pursuant to 4 C.S.R. 240-2.075 applies to intervene and become a party in the above titled case. The following suggestions are offered in support thereof:

- 1. The City of Riverside (hereinafter referred to as "Riverside") is a fourth class city located in the county of Platte, state of Missouri, ("Riverside") and as such is a customer within the service area of Missouri-American Water ("MAWC") as are the citizens and businesses of Riverside whose health safety and welfare interests it would also represent in this case.
- 2. Correspondence, communications, orders and the decision in this matter should be addressed to:

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3. On October 30, 2009, MAWC submitted to the Commission proposed tariff sheets intended to implement a general rate increase for water service that is designed to produce an additional \$48, 558,667 in gross annual water revenues or an overall 22.5% increase over

existing revenues and a 26% overall increase for sewer service provided to customers of MAWC. However, for MAWC customers in the City of Riverside the increase will be almost 28% for water service and 24% increase for sewer service. Such rates appear to Riverside to be unjust and unreasonable and would create financial hardship and cause undue discrimination to its citizens and businesses, as well as to the Riverside itself.

- 4. On November 18, 2009, the Missouri Public Service Commission issued an Order suspending the proposed rates and tariffs, directing filings, setting conferences and hearings, and directing Notice; and Notice of Contested Case.
- 5. Riverside files this application in order to participate fully in this proceeding, including hearing and briefing on the issues and pursuant to 4 CSR 140-2.075(2), states that it is opposed to any unjust or unreasonable increase in water rates that would create financial hardship and cause undue discrimination to its citizens and businesses, as well as to the Riverside itself, and to protect their unique interests as a particular fourth class municipality in one of the multiple proposed tariffs of MAWC.
  - 6. The granting of the proposed intervention would serve the public interest.
- 7. The City of Riverside's interest in proceedings affecting the rates for water service in the MAWC Platte County service area has been previously recognized by the Missouri Public Service Commission, in permitting the City of Riverside's intervention in prior MAWC rate related proceedings.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Riverside respectfully requests that the Commission grant their Application to Intervene in this matter, and thereby entitle the City to

have notice and to appear at the taking of testimony, to produce and cross-examine witnesses and to be heard on the arguments, and in all other respects fully participate in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **ATTORNEY VERIFICATION**

COUNTY OF COLE	)
	) ss
STATE OF MISSOURI	)

I, Joseph P. Bednar, Jr., being first duly sworn, do hereby certify, depose and state that I am the attorney for the City of Riverside, Missouri, which seeks intervention in the above captioned proceeding before the Missouri Public Service Commission; that I have read the above and foregoing Application to Intervene and the allegations therein contained are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief; and I further state that I am authorized to verify the foregoing application by the above said applicant to intervene.

Joseph P. Bednar, Jr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 29th day of November, 2009.

Notary Public for Cole County, MO

M.C.E. 01-20-2012; Commission # 08383363

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was served via the PSC's electronic filing system (EFIS), on this 29th day of November, 2009, upon all individuals, parties and intervenors and/or their counsel who have entered their appearances in this case on EFIS, and specifically upon the following:

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