

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)
Company for a Certificate of Convenience)
and Necessity Authorizing it to Install, Own,)
Acquire, Construct, Operate, Control,)
Manage and Maintain a Water System and)
Sewer System in and around the City of)
Smithton, Missouri.)

File No. WA-2023-0071

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company (“MAWC”), and for its *Response to Staff Recommendation* states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. On August 12, 2022, MAWC filed an *Application And Motion For Waiver (“Application”)* requesting permission and approval for a certificate of convenience and necessity (“CCN”) to install, own, acquire, construct, operate, control, manage, and maintain a water system and sewer system in and around the City of Smithton, Missouri.

2. On August 12, 2022, the Commission issued its *Corrected Order Directing Notice, Setting Deadlines For Intervention Requests, And Directing Staff Recommendation*, directing Staff to “... file a recommendation or a pleading identifying a date by which it can file a recommendation on the application no later than September 19, 2022.”

3. On September 16, 2022, Staff filed a *Status Report Indicating Anticipated Date of Filing Staff Recommendation* stating that Staff anticipated filing its recommendation in this matter no later than November 18, 2022. On November 18, 2022, Staff filed a *Request for Extension* requesting an additional thirty days to file its recommendation. The Commission issued its *Order Granting Request for Extension*, directing Staff to file its recommendation no later than December

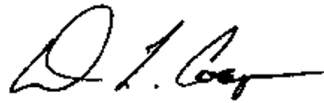
19, 2022.

4. On December 19, 2022, Staff filed its *Staff Recommendation* and supporting *Memorandum*. Staff recommended the Commission grant MAWC's *Application* and grant the requested CCN, subject to the conditions described in the *Staff Memorandum*.

5. MAWC has reviewed the proposed conditions listed on pages 13 and 14 of the *Staff Memorandum* and states that it has no objection to the proposed conditions. However, as to condition 7, concerning the booking of assets, it is possible that 60 days may not be sufficient for submission of the plan and MAWC may seek an extension if such becomes necessary.

WHEREFORE, MAWC requests the Commission issue an order approving the *Application And Motion For Waiver* and granting MAWC a CCN as recommended in the *Staff Memorandum*, a waiver of the requirements of 20 CSR 4240-4.017, and for such other and further relief as deemed appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail to all counsel of record this 29th day of December 2022.

