BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Timothy and Diane Grady,)
Complainants,)
V.) File No. SC-2015-0139
Missouri American Water Company, Legal Department 727 Craig Road St. Louis, Missouri 63141))))
CERTIFIED MAIL)
Respondent.)

NOTICE OF CONTESTED CASE AND ORDER DIRECTING FILINGS

Issue Date: December 1, 2014 Effective Date: December 1, 2014

On December 1, 2014, the Commission received the complaint, a copy of which is attached. The filing of a complaint requires the Commission to set a hearing before making the decision. The pre-decision hearing requirement signifies a contested case. Contested case procedure includes discovery, and allows for waiver of procedural formalities and a decision without a hearing, including by stipulation and agreement.

As an alternative to the formal evidentiary hearing procedure, the Commission offers mediation. Mediation is a voluntary process in which a neutral person assists the parties in

⁴ Section 536.060, RSMo 2000.

¹ Section 386.390.5, RSMo 2000.

² Section 536.010(4), RSMo Supp. 2013.

³ 4 CSR 240-2.090.

⁵ 4 CSR 240-2.115.

exploring opportunities for settlement. Upon a request for mediation, the Commission may suspend the schedule set forth in this order.

The Commission's regulations provide the respondents with 30 days to file an answer, ⁶ so the Commission will order an answer as follows.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Respondent shall file an answer to the complaint no later than December 31, 2014.
 - 2. This order shall be effective when issued.





Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1st day of December, 2014.

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⁶ 4 CSR 240-2.070(8).