BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Consolidated Sewer) Tariff of Missouri-American Water Company) File No. ST-2017-0261 Tariff No. YS-2017-0192

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through counsel, and for its Staff Recommendation to comply with the Commission's Order Directing Staff To File A Recommendation and Establishing Time To Respond To Proposed Tariff issued on April 6, 2017, and in response to a new proposed sewer tariff document, MO PSC No. 26, known as the Consolidated Tariff, filed by Missouri-American Water Company (Company) on April 5, 2017, states as follows:

1. On April 6, 2016, in Case No. WR-2015-0301, the Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its Order Approving Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement (Order) approving the Non-Unanimous Revenue Requirement Stipulation and Agreement, Paragraph 13 of which provided, in part, that:

MAWC, Staff, OPC, and any other interested party, will participate in a sewer tariff workgroup, for the purpose of developing a single sewer tariff document that will replace current MAWC sewer tariffs and be applied to any future MAWC sewer service area.

2. Pursuant to the *Order*, and over the course of several months, the sewer tariff workgroup, consisting of Staff, the Company, the City of Riverside and the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) reviewed and revised rule language of the Company's eleven (11) currently effective sewer service tariffs. The workgroup used that language to create a single cohesive Consolidated Tariff document, along with new maps and

re-typed written descriptions for existing sewer service areas, and existing rates and service charges to be included in the Consolidated Tariff.

3. On April 13, 2017, the Company submitted two substitute tariff sheets, Sheet No. IN 1.2 and Sheet No. SC 7.1 to correct minor items that were not addressed or corrected by the workgroup prior to the filing of the Consolidated Tariff.

4. Staff has reviewed the Consolidated Tariff including the substitute sheets and hereby recommends that the Commission **approve** the Consolidated Tariff, MO PSC Mo No. 26, File No. YS-2017-0192 as an ordered compliance tariff, and cancel existing sewer tariffs P.S.C Mo Nos. 2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 20, 21, 23, and 25, all currently in effect for the Company, upon the Consolidated Tariff effective date, May 5, 2017.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits its Staff Recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jacob T. Westen

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and or counsel of record on this 13th day of April, 2017.

/s/ Jacob T. Westen

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<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

State of Missouri County of Cole

COMES NOW James A. Merciel, Jr. and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the attached Staff Recommendation; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

) ss.

James A. Merciel, Jr.

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 13th day of April, 2017.

JESSICA LUEBBERT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: February 19, 2019 Commission Number: 15633434