# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water	)	
Company's Request for Authority to Implement	)	Case No. WR-2015-0301
General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer	)	
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas	)	

# MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT AND APPROVAL OF COMPLIANCE TARIFFS

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC or Company), by and through counsel, and for its motion for expedited treatment pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080(14) and its request for approval of its tariff sheets being submitted pursuant to the *Report and Order* issued herein on May 26, 2016, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

- 1. With its *Report and Order*, the Commission authorized MAWC "to file tariffs sufficient to recover revenues as determined by the Commission and to otherwise comply with this order." On this date, MAWC has caused to be filed with the Commission revised sewer tariff sheets designed to effectuate the decisions made by the Commission in the *Report and Order (Tracking Numbers YS-2016-0365; YS-2016-0366; YS-2016-0367; YS-2016-0368; YS-2016-0370; YS-2016-0371; YS-2016-0372; YS-2016-0373; YS-2016-0374).*
- 2. MAWC's compliance water tariff sheets bear an issue date of June 22, 2016, and a proposed effective date of July 22, 2016 (30 days thereafter). MAWC, however, does not believe that thirty days' notice for the compliance tariffs to become effective is necessary or appropriate under the circumstances. Although RSMo. §393.140(11) indicates that thirty days' notice is generally required, MAWC believes that the purpose of that requirement has been fully satisfied in this case, and §393.140(11) specifically provides that, for good cause shown, the Commission may allow changes without requiring thirty days' notice.

- 3. MAWC filed its Notice of Intended Case Filing herein on May 15, 2015. On July 31, 2015, MAWC submitted revised rate schedules designed to increase MAWC gross annual water and sewer revenues, with each schedule bearing a proposed effective date of August 30, 2015. The Commission thereafter suspended those tariff sheets until June 28, 2016.
- 4. Good cause is shown by the following: (a) the tariff sheets are being filed in compliance with the Commission's *Report and Order*; (b) the Commission and the public have been aware of MAWC's request for a rate increase for over ten months; (c) the Commission and the parties, through the rate case process, have been able to consider all aspects of the Company's request and the possible impact of a rate increase; and, (d) the "operation of law" date herein is June 28, 2016.
- 4. With the issuance of its *Report and Order*, the Commission determined that revised rate schedules should be filed by MAWC and allowed to become effective. As such, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080(14)(B), MAWC states that harm from the continuation of the current rates will be avoided and the benefits from the agreements of the parties and orders of the Commission will accrue if this motion is granted, and that the granting of this motion will not have a negative effect on MAWC customers or the public in general.
- 5. MAWC states that this motion is being filed as soon as the subject tariff sheets could be developed, and, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(14)(A), requests that the Commission act on this motion as soon as possible and issue its order approving MAWC's compliance tariffs to take effect on June 30, 2016, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the Company's compliance tariff sheets on less than thirty days' notice and granting such other and further relief as the Commission deems necessary or appropriate.

## Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail, on June 22, 2016, to counsel for the parties.

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