

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's)
Application for Authority (1) to Issue up to \$200,000,000)
of Unsecured Long-Term Debt and (2) to Issue and) **Case No. WF-2007-0279**
Sell Additional Common Stock to, or Receive)
Additional Paid-in Capital from Its Parent Company)
in an Aggregate Amount up to \$105,000,000)

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE AN EXPEDITED RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: January 21, 2009

Effective Date: January 21, 2009

On January 21, 2009, Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") filed a motion requesting the Commission to reopen this case for the purpose of issuing a supplemental order to clarify the Commission's prior grant of financing authority issued on July 15, 2008. The specific clarification MAWC seeks concerns the issue as to whether the Commission's prior grant was in any way time limited.

MAWC has requested an expedited decision on its motion. Consequently, the Commission shall require its Staff to file an expedited response to MAWC's motion stating whether it supports or opposes a time limitation on the authority granted in the Commission's July 15, 2008 order.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than 9:00 a.m. on January 26, 2009, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a response to Missouri-American Water Company's "Motion to Reopen Case for Second Supplemental Order and for Expedited Consideration," as directed in the body of this order.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issue.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 21st day of January, 2009.