

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Rogue)
Creek Utilities, Inc. and Missouri-American)
Water Company, for MAWC to Acquire) **File No. WM-2019-0018**
Certain Water and Sewer Assets of Rogue)
Creek Utilities, Inc.)

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION AND SETTING TIME FOR REPLY

Issue Date: September 5, 2018

Effective Date: September 5, 2018

On July 24, 2018, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) and Rogue Creek Utilities Inc. (Rogue Creek) filed a joint application with the Commission requesting authority for MAWC to purchase certain water and sewer assets from Rogue Creek, and a certificate of convenience and necessity to provide water and sewer services to customers and areas formally served by Rogue Creek. The Commission issued notice and set a deadline for intervention requests. The Commission also directed its Staff to file a recommendation.

On August 24, 2018, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) filed an application to intervene. DNR is a state agency charged with administering and executing the policies of environmental programs, including the Missouri Clean Water Law and the Missouri Safe Drinking Water Law. DNR has an interest that is different from that of the general public in that it seeks to enforce those laws and to ensure that past violations by Rogue Creek are properly addressed. DNR supported the application for MAWC to purchase Rogue Creek and stated that good cause exists to expedite processing of this application. DNR took no position on the proposed ratemaking treatment.

More than ten days has passed since DNR's application to intervene was filed and there has been no response. The Commission has reviewed the application to intervene and finds that DNR is a proper party and the intervention is granted.

Additionally, Staff filed its recommendation to grant the joint application on August 24, 2018. On September 4, 2018, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a response to Staff's recommendation. Public Counsel argued for different rate treatment for Rogue Creek's customers than that proposed by MAWC and recommended by Staff. The Commission will set a time for replies to Public Counsel's response.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is made a party to this case.
2. Any replies to the response of the Office of the Public Counsel shall be filed no later than September 14, 2018.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 5th day of September, 2018.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 5th day of September 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

September 5, 2018

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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