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Kimberly K. Bolin Witness:

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#### MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS ANALYSIS DIVISION

#### **DIRECT TESTIMONY**

**OF** 

KIMBERLY K. BOLIN

#### MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

**CASE NO. WR-2022-0303** 

Jefferson City, Missouri November 2022

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1		DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
2		KIMBERLY K. BOLIN
3		MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY
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5	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
6	A.	My name is Kimberly K. Bolin. My business address is 200 Madison Street
7	Suite 440, P.	O. Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102.
8	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
9	A.	I am the Director of the Financial and Business Analysis Division for the
10	Missouri Pul	olic Service Commission ("Commission").
11	Q.	Please describe your educational background and work experience.
12	A.	I graduated from Central Missouri State University (now University of Central
13	Missouri) in	Warrensburg, Missouri, with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
14	major empha	asis in Accounting, in May 1993. Before coming to work at the Commission, I was
15	employed by	the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") as a Public Utility Accountant
16	from Septen	nber 1994 to April 2005. I commenced employment with the Commission in
17	April 2005.	
18	Q.	What was the nature of your job duties when you were employed by OPC?
19	A.	I was responsible for performing audits and examinations of the books and
20	records of pu	ablic utilities operating within the state of Missouri.
21	Q.	Have you previously filed testimony before the Commission?

A. Yes, I have filed testimony numerous times. Please refer to Schedule KKB-d1	,
attached to this Direct Testimony, for a list of the major audits in which I have assisted and filed	1
testimony with OPC and with the Commission.	
Q. What knowledge, skills, experience, training, and education do you have in the	)
areas of which you are testifying as an expert witness?	
A. I have received continuous training at in-house and outside seminars or	1
technical ratemaking matters, both when employed by OPC and since I began my employment	t
at the Commission. I have been employed by this Commission or by OPC as a Regulatory	7
Auditor for over 25 years, and have submitted testimony on ratemaking matters numerous times	5
before the Commission. I have also been responsible for the supervision of other Commission	1
employees in rate cases and other regulatory proceedings.	
Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony?	
A. The purpose of my testimony is to address the amortization of the COVID-19	)
Accounting Authority Order (AAO). I also present Staff's position on Missouri-American	1
Water Company's (MAWC's) test year/true-up and "discrete adjustments."	
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COVID-19 AAO AMORTIZATION  What is the COVID-10 AAO?	
Q. What is the COVID-19 AAO?	
A. In the Nonunanimous Stipulation and Agreement filed in Case No.	•
WU-2020-0417, which the Commission approved on October 28, 2020, the parties agreed to	)
an AAO in which MAWC was allowed to track and defer into a regulatory asset the following	5
costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic beginning March 1, 2020 until March 31, 2021	:
<ol> <li>New or incremental operating and maintenance expense, limited to the following eligible costs:</li> <li>a. Additional cleaning of facilities and vehicles;</li> </ol>	•

#### Direct Testimony of Kimberly K. Bolin

1	<ul><li>b. Personal protective equipment;</li><li>c. Sanitizers;</li></ul>
2 3	d. Signage related to pandemic safety;
4	e. Rental equipment, to include vehicles, portable hand washing stations,
5	portable lavatories, and temporary office trailers; and
6	f. Other incremental COVID-related costs as agreed to by the parties or
7	Order of the Commission;
8	2. Increased bad debt expense, to the extent total bad debt expense exceeds
9	\$2,600,000 on an annual basis;
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10	3. Interest expense on MAWC's approximately \$70.0 million 364-day term loan
11	entered into on March 20, 2020, with an interest rate of London Interbank
12	Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus 80 basis points;
13	4. Late payment fees waived during the moratorium period up to \$785,351; and
	Zave purpose that the during are metalerized period of the process is said
14	5. Reconnection charges and disconnection charges waived during the
15	moratorium period up to \$783,200.
16	MAWC was also to treat and record energing and maintenance cost reductions
10	MAWC was also to track and record operating and maintenance cost reductions
17	associated with the pandemic in a separate regulatory asset. Operating and maintenance costs
- /	account with the parameter in a coparation regulatory account of training and instantionality
18	reductions to be deferred are the following:
19	1. Travel expense (hotels, airfare, meals, entertainment);
20	2. Training expense;
21	3. Conferences;
22	4. Office Supplies;
23	5. Utility service provided to facilities leased or owned by MAWC;
21 22 23 24	6. Staff reductions after March 1, 2020, and throughout the AAO accumulation
25	period;
	7. Reduced employee compensation and benefits after March 1, 2020, and
26 27	throughout the accumulation period;
28	8. Any taxable net operating loss that is carried back to previous tax years per
29	the CARES Act;
30	9. Any direct federal or state assistance MAWC, American Water Works
31	Company or any other affiliate that allocates costs to MAWC receives
37	related to COVID-19 relief; and
32 33	10. Other incremental COVID-related savings as agreed to by the parties by
34	Order of the Commission.
) <del>4</del>	Order of the Commission.
35	Q. In MAWC's last rate case (Case No. WR-2020-0344) did the Commission allow
, ,	Q. III 1411 144 C 3 last face case (Case 140. WIC-2020-0344) and the Commission and
36	MAWC to start amortizing the COVID-19 AAO?

1	A.	Yes. The signatories to the Stipulation and Agreement in Case No.					
2	WR-2020-03	44 agreed to the following:					
3 4 5 6 7 8	The total amounts deferred on the books of the Company as of March 31, 2021, pursuant to the Commission's accounting authority order granted in Case No. WU-2020-0417, are fully accounted for in the revenue requirement and the terms provided in this stipulation and agreement. Such amounts will be amortized over three (3) years beginning with the effective date of new rates.						
9	Q.	When did MAWC begin amortizing the COVID-19 AAO?					
10	A.	MAWC began amortizing the COVID-19 AAO in June 2021.					
11	Q.	What was the final balance of the COVID-19 AAO?					
12	A.	The final balance as of March 31, 2021 was \$4,886,371.					
13	Q.	Has Staff reflected the amortization of the COVID-19 AAO in its cost of					
14	service?						
15	A.	Yes. Staff has reflected the annual amortization to expense of \$1,628,790 in					
16	Account 405	, Amortization of Other Utility Plant.					
17	TEST YEAI	R/TRUE-UP/DISCRETE ADJUSTMENTS					
18	Q.	What test year did Staff utilize in this case?					
19	A.	Staff has followed the Commission's Order and used a test year of the twelve					
20	months endi	ng June 30, 2022, with a true-up for known and measurable changes through					
21	December 31	, 2022. At this time, Staff has not chosen to make any discrete adjustments past					
22	December 20	22.					
23	Q.	Are discrete adjustments also called "isolated adjustments?"					
24	A.	Yes. The terms "discrete adjustments" and "isolated adjustments" both refer to					
25	adjustments 1	made after the end of the test year/true-up period. The Commission has used the					

1	term "isolated adjustment" in past cases to refer to this type of adjustment. The Commission
2	has stated that, for an isolated adjustment to be considered, the underlying event must have a
3	known and measurable financial impact, and that inclusion in rates of the isolated adjustment
4	would not inappropriately affect the overall matching in time of utility revenues, expenses and
5	rate base.
6	Q. What items does Staff propose to update through year-end 2022 as part of its
7	true-up audit?
8	A. Staff proposes to update the following items as part of its true-up audit:
9	Rate Base
10	Plant-in-Service
11	Depreciation Reserve
12	Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC)
13	CIAC Reserve
14	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes
15	Customer Advances
16	Materials and Supplies
17	Prepayments
18	Pension Tracker Balance
19	OPEB Tracker Balance
20	Other Deferred Regulatory Assets and Liabilities
21	Rate Base for Newly Acquired Systems
22	Cash Working Capital
23	Cost of Capital
24	Capital Structure
25	Cost of Debt
26	Cost of Preferred Stock
27	Revenues and Expenses
28	Customer and Meter Counts

1	Chemical Expense
2	Purchased Water Expense
3	Fuel and Power Expense
4	Waste Disposal
5	Support Services
6	Transportation Fuel and Maintenance
7	Payroll and Benefits
8	Rate Case Expense
9	Uncollectible Expense
10	Depreciation and Amortization
11	Tank Painting Expense
12	Pension and OPEB Expense
13	Injuries and Damages
14	Property Tax Expense
15	Revenues and Expense for Newly Acquired Systems
16	Income Taxes
17	Q. What is a "historic test year?"
18	A. In Missouri, utility rates have been traditionally set using a historic test year
19	approach, where rate analysis begins with the selection of a test year consisting of twelve
20	months of actual financial information, for which the data is available for review and analysis
21	at the beginning of the rate case.
22	Q. Is the historic test year reliant on information contained only within the test year?
23	A. No. Historic test year ratemaking in Missouri is not limited to information
24	contained within the twelve-month test year. In most major rate cases, financial information
25	from a subsequent "test year update period" or an even later "true-up period" is used. This
26	allows use of the most updated revenue, expense, and rate base data possible in setting utility
27	rates. This approach has been referred to as a "modified" historic test year. Under Missouri's

modified historic test year approach, rate base items are generally set equal to the update period or true-up period ending level, to reflect the most current information available is utilized to set customer rates while ensuring that actual expenditures made are prudently incurred and in-service.

To summarize, use of a modified historic test year in Missouri has included a number of features intended to reasonably ensure that utility rates are set to reflect the most current trends in the company's revenue, expense, and capital results. However, in almost all cases, ratemaking allowances have been restricted to those qualifying under the "known and measurable" cost standard.

- Q. Is Staff concerned that MAWC's proposed discrete adjustments violate the known and measurable standard?
- A. Yes. The known and measurable standard requires that only costs associated with events that have actually occurred or are certain to occur, and for which the financial impact can be accurately quantified, should be reflected in utility rates. If adhered to, the known and measurable standard precludes the use of budgeted, projected, or forecasted information in setting utility rates. However, under MAWC's proposal, MAWC will have to include in its rate request an amount of budgeted plant additions that are scheduled to go into service beyond the true-up date. MAWC will have to provide estimates of the amount of additional plant-in-service approximately a month or longer before the effective date of rates, so the revenue requirement and rates produced by the revenue requirement can be calculated and approved by the Commission via an Order. Also, due to the timing of MAWC's proposed discrete plant adjustments, Staff will not have time to audit the plant-in-service data and any

- proposed budgeted amounts after the true-up cut-off date to verify the prudency or final costs

  of the newly constructed plant.
  - Q. Is MAWC proposing to make a discrete adjustment for other rate base, revenue and expense items?
  - A. Yes. MAWC is proposing to adjust revenues to reflect customer changes, depreciation expense, property taxes, other rate base items, capital structure, cost of debt, labor expense, employee benefits expense, insurance expense, support services expense, production expense, and building maintenance and services expense. The timing of these adjustments will not allow enough time for Staff to review to determine if the items are appropriate to include in the cost of service.
  - Q. Is Staff concerned that MAWC's proposed discrete adjustments for capital projects violate the "used and useful" standard?
  - A. Yes. According to Missouri law, electric utilities are not allowed to include the costs of plant in rate base until such plant is "used and useful" or providing service to the customers. While not statutorily required for natural gas, water, and sewer utilities, the Commission has in all or almost all instances over many years applied the same principle to non-electric utilities in regard to the plant-in-service balances included in utility rates.

If the Commission authorizes discrete plant adjustments in the future, Staff recommends that the affected utilities be required to submit a reconciliation, in a future rate case, of the projected plant addition costs reflected in the utility's rates to the cost of actual "used and useful" plant additions made after the true-up cutoff date in its previous rate case. If the reconciliation shows that plant additions included in customers rates as part of the discrete adjustment were not actually placed in service in the timeframe assumed by the utility, then the

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- Q. Is Staff also concerned that MAWC's proposed discrete adjustments violate the matching principle?
- A. Yes. The "matching principle" used in Missouri requires that all major components of a utility's cost of service be measured at the same point in time in developing customer rates. For historic test year ratemaking, the revenues/expense/rate base relationship is based upon actual past financial data. MAWC's proposal to include plant as of the effective law date in this case (May 31, 2023) will violate the matching of MAWC's revenues, expenses, rate base, and rate of return. For example, MAWC is proposing plant in service balances as of May 31, 2023, while some expense and revenue items will be based upon data for the twelve months ending June 30, 2022, almost a year earlier.
  - Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 16 A. Yes it does.

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Company's Request for A Implement General Rate and Sewer Service Provid Service Areas	authority Increase	to for Water	)	Case No. WR-2022-0303
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STATE OF MISSOURI	)	00		
COUNTY OF COLE	)	SS.		
COMES NOW KIMI	BERLY	K. BOLIN	and on h	er oath declares that she is of sound mind
and lawful age; that she co	ontribute	ed to the for	egoing D	Pirect testimony of Kimberly K. Bolin; and
that the same is true and co	orrect ac	cording to h	er best kı	nowledge and belief.
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Company Name	Case Number	<u>Testimony/Issues</u>	Contested or Settled
Spire Missouri GR-2022-0179		Direct – Short-term debt	Pending
•		Rebuttal – Short-term debt	Settlement
Evergy Missouri West	EF-2022-0155	Rebuttal – Winter Storm Uri, Affiliate Transactions Surrebuttal – Winter Storm Uri, Affiliate Transactions, Tax Savings	Contested
Evergy Missouri	ER-2022- 0129/ER-2022- 0130	Direct – COVID AAO, Winter Storm Uri Jurisdictional Allocations Rebuttal - Trackers Surrebuttal – Winter Storm Uri Jurisdictional Allocations	Settled
The Empire District Electric Company	EO-2022- 0040/EO-2022- 0193	Rebuttal – ADIT and EADIT, Sharing of Costs, Decommissioning Costs, Winter Storm Uri AAO, Interest Earned on Capital Subaccount  Surrebuttal – Asbury Environmental Asset/ARO, ADIT and EADIT	Contested
Ozarks Medical Center vs. Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, Inc.	GC-2022-0158	Rebuttal – Accounting Authority Order	Contested
The Empire District Gas Company	GR-2021-0320	<u>Direct</u> – Excess ADIT and Tax Tracker	Settled
The Empire District Electric Company	EU-2021-0274	Rebuttal – Winter Storm Uri AAO	Pending
The Empire District Electric Company	ER-2021-0312	Cost of Service Report – ARO, Amortization of Excess ADIT, Regulatory Lag and Risk Mitigation Rebuttal – Business Risk, Paygo, AROs, Transmission Tracker Surrebuttal - Non-FAC Wind Revenues, ADIT and Excess ADIT, Iatan/PCB Environmental Costs, Market Price Protection Mechanism, Winter Storm Uri	Settled

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Ameren Missouri	ER-2021-0240	Cost of Service Report – COVID-19 AAO Cost Recovery, Rate Switching Tracker, Allocation Factors, Company Owned Life Insurance, Equity Issuance Costs, Tracker Mechanisms Proposals Policy Surrebuttal – Normalization of COVID-19 Costs, Allocations, AMI Software	Settled
Ameren Missouri	GR-2021-0241	Cost of Service Report - COVID-19 AAO Cost Recovery, AMI-Software, Allocation Factors Surrebuttal - Normalization of COVID-19 Costs, AMI Software	Settled
Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West	ET-2021-0151	Rebuttal Report – Accounting	Contested
Spire Missouri	GR-2021-0108	Cost of Service Report – COVID-19 AAO Recovery Surrebuttal – Trackers	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2020-0344	Cost of Service Report – Future Test Year, Credit Card Fee Expense, Amortization of Excess ADIT, COVID-19 AAO Recovery Rebuttal – Future Test Year, COVID-19 AAO Recovery, Amortization of Excess ADIT, Affiliate Transactions, AFUDC Rate Surrebuttal – Future Test Year, COVID-19 AAO, Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017, Outside Services, COVID Impacts on Revenue	Settled
Spire Missouri, Inc.	GU-2020-0376	Rebuttal – Accounting Authority Order, Lost Revenues	Settled
Evergy Metro, Inc., d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West	EU-2020-0350	Rebuttal – Accounting Authority Order, Lost Revenue, Carrying Costs	Contested
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2020-0311	Rebuttal – Coal Inventory Adjustment Surrebuttal – Coal Inventory Adjustment	Settled

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Empire District Electric Company	ER-2019-0374	Direct – Overview of Staff's Filing Cost of Service Report – Executive Overview, Test year/True-Up Period, Vegetation Management Tracker Regulatory Asset, Iatan and Plum Point Carrying Costs, Stub Period Tax Cut/Removal of Tax Impact, Tornado AAO, Rate Case Expense Sharing, Credit Card Fees, Clearing Accounts Rebuttal – Asset Retirement Obligations, AAO and Tracker Policy, Affiliate Transactions Surrebuttal/True-Up – Unamortized Balance of Joplin AAO, Credit Card Fees, Payroll Test year, Rate Case Expense Sharing, LED Lighting, Low-Income Pilot Program Amortization, Affiliate Transactions Supplemental – Jurisdictional Allocations, Rate Case Expense, Management Expense, Pension and OPEBs, Affiliate Transactions, Software Maintenance	Contested
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Co., Inc.	WA-2019-0299	Surrebuttal – Quality of Service Direct – Net Book Value of Plant	Contested
Osage Utility Operating Co., Inc.	WA-2019-0185	<u>Surrebuttal</u> – Rate Base, Acquisition Incentive	Contested
Spire Inc.	GO-2019-0115 and GO-2019- 116	Staff Direct Report – Blanket Work Orders and Current Income Taxes	Contested
Empire District Electric Company and Liberty Utilities	AO-2018-0179	<u>Direct</u> – Moneypool <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Moneypool	Contested
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc.	WM-2018-0116 and SM-2018- 0117	<u>Direct</u> – Rate Base, Roy L Utilities	Settled
Spire Missouri Inc.	GO-2016-0332, GO-2016-0333, GO-2017-0201, GO-2017-0202 GO-2018-0309 and GO-2018- 0310	<u>Direct</u> – Removal of Plastic Main and Service Line Replacement Costs	Contested

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Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2017-0285	Cost of Service Report – Pension/OPEB Tracker, FAS 87 Pension Costs, FAS 106 OPEBs Costs, Franchise Taxes Rebuttal – Defined Contribution Plan, Cloud Computing, Affiliate Transaction Rule (Water Utility) Surrebuttal – Rate Case Expense	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WO-2018-0059	<u>Direct</u> – ISRS Overview, Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes, Reconciliation	
Missouri Gas Energy and Laclede Gas Company	GO-2016-0332 and GO-2016- 0333	Rebuttal – Inclusion of Plastic Main and Service Line Replacements	Contested
Empire District Electric Company/Liberty Utilities	EM-2016-0213	Rebuttal – Overview of Transaction, Ratemaking /Accounting Conditions, Access to Records Surrebuttal – OPC Recommended Conditions, SERP	Settled
Hillcrest Utility Operating Company, Inc.	WR-2016-0064	<u>Direct</u> – Partial Disposition Agreement	Contested
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2016-0023	Requirement Report – Riverton Conversion Project and Asbury Air Quality Control System Direct – Overview of Staff's Revenue Requirement Report and Overview of Staff's Rate Design Filing	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2015-0301	Report on Cost of Service – Corporate Allocation, District Allocations Rebuttal – District Allocations, Business Transformation Surrebuttal – District Allocations, Business Transformation, Service Company Costs	Settled
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2014-0351	Direct – Overview of Staff's Filing Rebuttal - ITC Over-Collection, Cost of Removal Deferred Tax Amortization, State Flow-Through Surrebuttal – Unamortized Balance of Joplin Tornado, ITC Over-Collections, Cost of Removal Deferred Tax Amortization, State Flow-Through, Transmission Revenues and Expenses	Settled

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Brandco Investments/ Hillcrest Utility Operating Company,	WO-2014-0340	Rebuttal – Rate Base and Future Rates	Settled
Inc.			
Lake Region Water & Sewer	WR-2013-0461	Direct – Overview of Staff's Filing Report on Cost of Service – True-Up, Availability Fees, Sewer Operating Expense, Sewer Equipment Maintenance Expense Surrebuttal – Availability Fees True-Up Direct – Overview of True-Up Audit True-Up Rebuttal – Corrections to True-Up	Contested
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2012-0345	Direct- Overview of Staff's Filing Report on Cost of Service— SWPA Hydro Reimbursement, Joplin Tornado AAO Asset, SPP Revenues, SPP Expenses, Regulatory Plan Amortization Impacts, SWPA Amortization, Tornado AAO Amortization Rebuttal— Unamortized Balance of Joplin Tornado AAO, Rate Case Expense, True- Up and Uncontested Issues Surrebuttal— Unamortized Balance of Joplin Tornado AAO, SPP Transmission Expense, True-Up, Advanced Coal Investment Tax Credit	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2011-0337	Direct—Overview of Staff's Filing Report on Cost of Service- True-Up Recommendation, Tank Painting Tracker, Tank Painting Expense Rebuttal—Tank Painting Expense, Business Transformation Surrebuttal—Tank Painting Tracker, Acquisition Adjustment	Settled

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Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2010-0131	Report on Cost of Service- Pension/OPEB Tracker, Tank Painting Tracker, Deferred Income Taxes, FAS 87 Pension Costs, FAS 106 – Other Post-Employment Benefits, Incentive Compensation, Group Insurance and 401(k) Employer Costs, Tank Painting Expense, Dues and Donations, Advertising Expense, Promotional Items, Current and Deferred Income Tax Expense	Settled
Empire District Gas Company	GR-2009-0434	Report on Cost of Service—Prepaid Pension Asset, Pension Tracker Asset/Liability, Unamortized Accounting Authority Order Balances, Pension Expense, OPEBs, Amortization of Stock Issuance Costs, Amortization of Accounting Authority Orders Direct—Overview of Staff's Filing	Settled
Laclede Gas Company	GT-2009-0056	Surrebuttal Testimony— Tariff	Contested
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2008-0311 & SR-2008-0312	Report on Cost of Service— Tank Painting Tracker, Lobbying Costs, PSC Assessment Direct— Overview of Staff's Filing Rebuttal— True-Up Items, Unamortized Balance of Security AAO, Tank Painting Expense, Fire Hydrant Painting Expense Surrebuttal— Unamortized Balance of Security AAO, Cedar Hill Waste Water Plant, Tank Painting Expense, Fire Hydrant Painting Expense	Settled
Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.	GR-2008-0060	Report on Cost of Service—Plant-in Service/Capitalization Policy, Plant-in Service/Purchase Price Valuation, Depreciation Reserve, Revenues, Uncollectible Expense	Settled
Laclede Gas Company	GR-2007-0208	<u>Direct</u> - Test Year and True-Up, Environmental costs, AAOs, Revenue, Miscellaneous Revenue, Gross receipts Tax, Gas Costs, Uncollectibles, EWCR, AMR, Acquisition Adjustment	Settled

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Kansas City Power and Light Company	ER-2006-0314	Direct- Gross Receipts Tax, Revenues, Weather Normalization, Customer Growth/Loss Annualization, Large Customer Annualization, Other Revenue, Uncollectible (Bad Debt) Expense, Payroll, A&G Salaries Capitalization Ratio, Payroll Taxes, Employer 401 (k) Match, Other Employee Benefits Surrebuttal- Uncollectible (Bad Debt) Expense, Payroll, A&G Salaries Capitalization Ratio, Other Employee Benefits	Contested
Missouri Gas Energy	GR-2006-0204	<u>Direct</u> - Payroll, Incentive Compensation, Payroll Taxes, Employee Benefits, Lobbying, Customer & Governmental Relations Department, Collections Contract	Settled

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Missouri Gas Energy	GU-2005-0095	Rebuttal - Accounting Authority Order Surrebuttal - Accounting Authority Order	Contested
The Empire District Electric Company	ER-2004-0570	<u>Direct</u> - Payroll	Settled
Missouri American Water Company & Cedar Hill Utility Company	SM-2004-0275	<u>Direct</u> - Acquisition Premium	Settled
Missouri Gas Energy	GR-2004-0209	Direct- Safety Line Replacement Program; Environmental Response Fund; Dues & Donations; Payroll; Customer & Governmental Relations Department Disallowance; Outside Lobbyist Costs Rebuttal- Customer Service; Incentive Compensation; Environmental Response Fund; Lobbying/Legislative Costs True-Up- Rate Case Expense	Contested
Osage Water Company	ST-2003-0562 / WT-2003-0563	Direct- Payroll Rebuttal- Payroll; Lease Payments to Affiliated Company; alleged Legal Requirement of a Reserve	Case Dismissed
Missouri American Water Company	WR-2003-0500	Direct- Acquisition Adjustment; Water Treatment Plant Excess Capacity; Retired Treatment Plan; Affiliated Transactions; Security AAO; Advertising Expense; Customer Correspondence	Settled
Empire District Electric	ER-2002-424	<u>Direct</u> - Dues & Donations; Memberships; Payroll; Security Costs <u>Rebuttal</u> - Energy Traders' Commission <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Energy Traders' Commission	Settled

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Laclede Gas Company	GR-2002-356	Direct- Advertising Expense; Safety Replacement Program and the Copper Service Replacement Program; Dues & Donations; Rate Case Expense Rebuttal- Gas Safety Replacement Program / Deferred Income Taxes for AAOs	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WO-2002-273	Rebuttal- Accounting Authority Order Cross-Surrebuttal- Accounting Authority Order	Contested
Environmental Utilities	WA-2002-65	<u>Direct</u> - Water Supply Agreement <u>Rebuttal</u> - Certificate of Convenience & Necessity	Contested
Warren County Water & Sewer	WC-2002-160 / SC-2002-155	<u>Direct</u> - Clean Water Act Violations; DNR Violations; Customer Service; Water Storage Tank; Financial Ability; Management Issues <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Customer Complaints; Poor Management Decisions; Commingling of Regulated & Non-Related Business	Contested
Laclede Gas Company	GR-2001-629	<u>Direct</u> - Advertising Expense; Safety Replacement Program; Dues & Donations; Customer Correspondence	Settled
Gateway Pipeline Company	GM-2001-585	Rebuttal- Acquisition Adjustment; Affiliated Transactions; Company's Strategic Plan	Contested
Empire District Electric	ER-2001-299	<u>Direct</u> - Payroll; Merger Expense <u>Rebuttal</u> - Payroll <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Payroll	Settled
Osage Water Company	SR-2000-556/ WR-2000-557	<u>Direct</u> - Customer Service	Contested

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St. Louis County Water Company	WR-2000-844	<u>Direct</u> - Main Incident Expense	Settled
Missouri American Water Company	WR-2000-281/ SR-2000-282	<u>Direct</u> - Water Plant Premature Retirement; Rate Case Expense <u>Rebuttal</u> - Water Plant Premature Retirement <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Water Plant Premature Retirement	Contested
Laclede Gas Company	GR-99-315	<u>Direct</u> - Advertising Expense; Dues & Donations; Miscellaneous Expense; Items to be Trued-up	Contested
St. Joseph Light & Power	HR-99-245	<u>Direct</u> - Advertising Expense; Dues & Donations; Miscellaneous Expense; Items to be Trued-up <u>Rebuttal</u> - Advertising Expense <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Advertising Expense	Settled
St. Joseph Light & Power	ER-99-247	Direct- Merger Expense; Rate Case Expense; Deferral of the Automatic Mapping/Facility Management Costs Rebuttal- Merger Expense; Rate Case Expense; Deferral of the Automatic Mapping/Facility Management Costs Surrebuttal- Merger Expense; Rate Case Expense; Deferral of the Automatic Mapping/Facility Management Costs	Settled
Laclede Gas Company	GR-98-374	<u>Direct</u> - Advertising Expense; Gas Safety Replacement AAO; Computer System Replacement Costs	Settled
Missouri Gas Energy	GR-98-140	<u>Direct</u> - Payroll; Advertising; Dues & Donations; Regulatory Commission Expense; Rate Case Expense	Contested

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Gascony Water Company, Inc.	WA-97-510	Rebuttal- Rate Base; Rate Case Expense; Cash Working Capital	Settled
Union Electric Company	GR-97-393	<u>Direct</u> - Interest Rates for Customer Deposits	Settled
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-97-382	<u>Direct</u> - Interest Rates for Customer Deposits, Main Incident Expense	Settled
Associated Natural Gas Company	GR-97-272	<u>Direct</u> - Acquisition Adjustment; Interest Rates for Customer Deposits <u>Rebuttal</u> - Acquisition Adjustment; Interest Rates for Customer Deposits <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Interest Rates for Customer Deposits	Contested
Missouri-American Water Company	WA-97-45	Rebuttal - Waiver of Service Connection Charges	Contested
Imperial Utility Corporation	SC-96-427	<u>Direct</u> - Revenues, CIAC <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Payroll; Uncollectible Accounts Expense; Rate Case Expense, Revenues	Settled
St. Louis Water Company	WR-96-263	<u>Direct</u> -Main Incident Repairs <u>Rebuttal</u> - Main Incident Repairs <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Main Incident Repairs	Contested
Steelville Telephone Company	TR-96-123	<u>Direct</u> - Depreciation Reserve Deficiency	Settled

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Missouri-American Water Company	WR-95-205/ SR-95-206	Direct- Property Held for Future Use; Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant; Depreciation Study Expense; Deferred Maintenance	Contested
		Rebuttal- Property Held for Future Use; Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant; Deferred Maintenance Surrebuttal- Property Held for Future Use; Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant	
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-95-145	Rebuttal- Tank Painting Reserve Account; Main Repair Reserve Account Surrebuttal- Main Repair Reserve Account	Contested