

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

ALICE GEARY)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. WC-2009-0147
)	
MISSOURI AMERICAN)	
WATER COMPANY)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER TO REPORT STATUS

Issue Date: May 18, 2009

Effective Date: May 18, 2009

The Missouri Public Service Commission is ordering Missouri American Water Company (“the Company”) to report the status of its settlement discussions with Alice Geary.

On April 2, 2009, Staff filed a motion for continuance representing that Ms. Geary and the Company were engaged in settlement discussions. On April 3, 2009, the regulatory law judge assigned to this case received a copy of a letter discussing settlement terms. Also on April 3, 2009, the Commission issued an order cancelling the hearing that it had set for April 7, 2009.

In the April 3, 2009, order, the Commission also ordered the parties to file, jointly or separately, a report stating their progress in settlement negotiations. Such report was due on April 17, 2009. As of the date of this order, neither party has filed such report.

On April 21, 2009, the Commission ordered Ms. Geary to show cause no later than May 15, 2009, why the Commission should not dismiss her complaint. As of the date of this order, Ms. Geary has not responded to that order. Nevertheless, the Commission is reluctant to dismiss a complaint—even without prejudice—when it does not know that the parties have settled it.

Therefore, the Commission will order the Company to state whether the parties have settled the case.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Missouri American Water Company shall file a status report, no later than June 1, 2009, stating whether the parties have settled the complaint.
2. This order is effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

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

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Daniel Jordan, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 18th day of May 2009.