BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Missouri-)	
American Water Company and Tri States Utility, Inc.)	
for Authority for Missouri-American Water Company)	File No. WO-2013-0517
to Acquire Certain Assets of Tri States Utility, Inc.)	
and in Connection Therewith, Certain Other)	
Related Transactions)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: August 6, 2013 Effective Date: August 6, 2013

On June 12, 2013, Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") and Tri States Utility, Inc. ("Tri States") filed a joint application seeking authority for Tri States to sell substantially all its assets to MAWC. On August 5, the Staff of the Commission filed a recommendation to approve the application subject to several requirements to be imposed upon MAWC and Tri States. The Commission will direct MAWC and Tri States to file a response addressing the requirements in the Staff recommendation. In order to prevent any potential delay in the closing of the proposed transaction, the Commission will also direct other parties wishing to respond to the Staff recommendation to submit a response at the same time.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Missouri-American Water Company and Tri States Utility, Inc. shall respond to the Staff recommendation, specifically addressing the requirements set out therein, no later than August 9, 2013.

- 2. Any other party wishing to respond to the Staff recommendation shall do so no later than August 9, 2013.
 - 3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Michael Bushmann, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 6th day of August, 2013.