

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)
Company’s Request for Authority to)
Implement General Rate Increase for)
Water and Sewer Service Provided in)
Missouri Service Areas)
File No. WR-2020-0344

ORDER DELAYING HEARING AND EXCUSING PARTIES

Issue Date: February 22, 2021

Effective Date: February 22, 2021

Due to the Commission’s schedule, the start of the evidentiary hearing will be postponed until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 24, 2021. The Commission will begin at that time with Opening Statements and hear from the “Overview and Regulatory Policy” witnesses. On Thursday, February 25, 2021, the hearing will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. and will begin with the “Rate of Return/Capital Structure” issues in order to accommodate witness availability. After that issue, the Commission will hear the remaining contested issues in the order as set out in the parties’ proposed hearing schedule, unless the order is further altered at the hearing.

Additionally, the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis (Municipal League) has asked to be excused from participation in the hearing. The Municipal League has no witnesses of its own and has waived its rights to make opening statements and to cross-examine witnesses. Missouri Energy Consumers Group (MECG) has also asked to be excused from participation in the full hearing. MECG also has no witnesses and stated that it understood it waived any rights to cross-examination of witnesses in its absence. The Commission will grant these requests to be excused.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The evidentiary hearing shall begin on February 24, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. via Webex video and telephone conference. The parties may access the hearing using the information that has been previously sent to them. The hearing will proceed in the order as set out above unless amended further.
2. All known exhibits and presentations not previously filed in File No. WR-2020-0344 in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information Systems (EFIS) shall be submitted via email to the regulatory law judge (or filed in EFIS, if email is not technically feasible) no later than 12:00 p.m. on February 24, 2021.
3. The Municipal League and MECG are excused from participation in the hearing.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of February, 2021.