

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)	
Company’s Request for Authority to Implement)	<u>File No. WR-2022-0303</u>
General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer)	YW-2023-0196; YS-2023-0197
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas.)	

**MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT
AND APPROVAL OF COMPLIANCE TARIFFS**

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC or Company), by and through counsel, and for its motion for expedited treatment pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.080(14) and its request for approval of its revised water and sewer tariff sheets being submitted pursuant to the *Report and Order* issued herein on May 3, 2023, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. With its *Report and Order*, the Commission authorized MAWC “to file tariff sheets in compliance sufficient to recover revenues approved in compliance with [the] order.” On this date, MAWC has caused to be filed with the Commission revised water and sewer tariff sheets designed to effectuate the decisions made by the Commission in its *Report and Order* (*Tracking Numbers YW-2023-0196 and YS-2023-0197*).

2. MAWC’s compliance water and sewer tariff sheets bear an issue date of May 3, 2023, and a proposed effective date of June 2, 2023 (30 days thereafter). MAWC, however, does not believe that thirty days’ notice for the compliance tariffs to become effective is necessary or appropriate under the circumstances. Although RSMo. §393.140(11) indicates that thirty days’ notice is generally required, MAWC believes that the purpose of that requirement has been fully satisfied in this case, and §393.140(11) specifically provides that, for good cause shown, the Commission may allow changes without requiring thirty days’ notice.

3. On July 1, 2022, MAWC submitted revised water and sewer rate schedules designed to increase its gross annual water and sewer revenues, with each schedule bearing a proposed effective date of July 31, 2022. The Commission thereafter suspended those tariff sheets until May 28, 2023. In the intervening months, the parties conducted extensive discovery and filed prepared testimony and schedules regarding the Company's proposed rate increase. The Commission conducted local hearings and a hearing at which time the issues that were not resolved by way of stipulation were addressed.

4. Good cause for allowing these revised tariffs to become effective on less than thirty days' notice is shown by the following: (a) the tariff sheets are being filed in compliance with the Commission's *Report and Order*; (b) the Commission and the public have been aware of MAWC's request for a rate increase for over ten months; (c) the Commission and the parties, through the rate case process, have been able to consider all aspects of the Company's request and the possible impact of a rate increase; and, (d) the "operation of law" date herein is May 28, 2023.

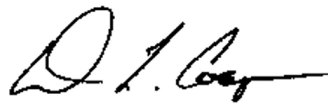
4. With the issuance of its *Report and Order*, the Commission determined that revised rate schedules should be filed by MAWC and that the revised rates are just and reasonable. As such, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.080(14)(B), MAWC states that the harm from the continuation of the current rates will be avoided and the benefits from the agreements of the parties and orders of the Commission will accrue if this motion is granted, and that the granting of this motion will not have a negative effect on MAWC customers or the public in general.

5. MAWC states that this motion is being filed as soon as the subject tariff sheets could be prepared, and, pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080(14)(A), requests that

the Commission act on this motion as soon as possible and issue its order approving MAWC's compliance tariffs to take effect on May 28, 2023, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the Company's compliance tariff sheets (*Tracking Numbers YW-2023-0196 and YS-2023-0197*) on less than thirty days' notice and granting such other and further relief as the Commission deems necessary or appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail to all counsel of record this 3rd day of May 2023.

