BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri-American Water Company for the Approval of) An Agreement with the Chariton County Public) Water Supply District #2 to Sell and Deliver) Water for Resale and Related Tariff Sheets.)

Case No. WO-2013-0443

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING AND MOTION TO SUSPEND TARIFF

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the Commission's General Counsel, and for its response to the Commission's *Order Directing Filing* of April 25, 2013, and its *Motion to Suspend Tariff,* states as follows:

1. On April 1, 2013, Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") asked that the Commission approve its agreement with the Chariton County Public Water Supply District No. 2, allowing it to sell and deliver water to the District.

2. On the same day, MAWC filed a related tariff sheet, bearing an effective date of May 1, 2013.

3. On April 25, 2013, the Commission directed Staff to file its Staff Recommendation no later than April 26, 2013.

4. Staff states that it has not yet completed its investigations and analyses and is therefore unable to file its recommendation on April 26, 2013. Staff states that it will be able to file its recommendation on May 13, 2013.

5. Because Staff has not yet completed its recommendation, Staff moves the Commission to suspend the tariff filed by MAWC on April 1, 2013, for a period of 30 days.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will (1) allow it to file its recommendation on May 13, 2013, and (2) suspend the subject tariff for 30 days, up to and including May 31, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served, either electronically or by hand delivery or by First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this 25th day of April, 2013, on the parties of record as set out on the official Service List maintained by the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission for this case.

<u>/s/ Kevin A. Thompson</u>