

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Petition of)
Missouri-American Water Company for) **File No. WO-2020-0410**
Approval to Change an Infrastructure) **Tariff No. YW-2021-0048**
System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS))

ORDER CANCELING EVIDENTIARY HEARING

Issue Date: November 16, 2020

Effective Date: November 16, 2020

On August 28, 2020, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) filed a petition to change its infrastructure system replacement surcharge (ISRS) rate schedules to allow for recovery of costs for eligible infrastructure system replacements in its St. Louis County service area. Section 393.1006, RSMo (2016), requires the Commission to issue an order to become effective not later than 120 days after an ISRS petition is filed. MAWC's petition included a tariff filing, assigned Tariff No. YW-2021-0048, which has been suspended until December 26, 2020.

On October 27, 2020, Staff recommended the Commission approve ISRS revenue in the incremental pre-tax revenue amount of \$3,429,008, with a total current and cumulative ISRS amount of \$34,523,721. Staff also recommended the Commission reject the tariff sheet assigned Tariff No. YW-2021-0048.

On November 6, 2020, the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC) objected to Staff's recommendation and requested an evidentiary hearing. On November 9, 2020, the Commission set a hearing in this matter for 9:15 a.m. November 20, 2020.

On November 13, 2020, the parties filed a *Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* ("Agreement"), which purports to resolve OPC's objection to Staff's recommendation. Pursuant to the agreement, joined by MAWC, Staff and OPC, the parties agree a decision

by the Commission on the merits of OPC's objection in this case would have no practical effect in determining the ISRS revenue requirement. In addition, pursuant to the agreement, the parties expressly agree to ISRS revenues, a total current and cumulative ISRS amount, and allocation of the revenue requirement through the rate design described in Staff's recommendation.

Because the Agreement leaves no issues in dispute and it appears at this time that an evidentiary hearing is not necessary to decide MAWC's petition, the Commission will cancel the evidentiary hearing.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The evidentiary hearing scheduled for November 20, 2020, is canceled.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



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

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 16th day of November, 2020.