

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's)
Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate) **File No. WR-2011-0337, et al.**
Increase for Water and Sewer Service Provided in)
Missouri Service Areas)

**ORDER RESCHEDULING DISCOVERY CONFERENCE OR, IF
NECESSARY, ADDING SEPARATE PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE**

Issue Date: February 9, 2012

Effective Date: February 9, 2012

On February 9, 2012, Staff filed a motion to reschedule the discovery conference set for February 10, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or later in the afternoon. Staff states that Chief Counsel, Kevin Thompson, will be unavailable for the conference until the afternoon, and that if rescheduled counsel for AG Processing, Inc. ("AGP") would prefer that it be held after 2:00 p.m.

In addition to hearing any other discovery disputes, the Commission will be deciding a dispute regarding depositions of the Commission's Staff that were noticed by AGP on February 6, 2012. Staff has also filed a motion in limine to block the addition of a new witness by AGP, Ms. Cherlyn Voss.

The Commission will set a response deadline and alternative schedules for the discovery conference and for hearing argument on the issues surrounding the depositions and the addition of Ms. Voss as a witness.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Any party opposing Staff's motion to reschedule the discovery conference, as described in the body of this order, shall file a response and state the reasons therefore no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 9, 2012.

2. If no party objects to Staff's motion, the discovery conference will be held on Friday, February 10, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. This conference will take up all discovery issues and all other issues identified in the body of this order.

3. If any party objects, and demonstrates a valid schedule conflict, then a discovery conference will be held as previously scheduled on Friday, February 10, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Staff shall have alternative counsel present for the discovery conference if Chief Staff Counsel is unavailable for this conference. The discovery conference will be on the record with a court reporter transcribing it.

4. If the discovery conference is held on February 10, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. for the convenience of other parties, a separate procedural conference will be held on February 10, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. to address the issues surrounding AG Processing, Inc.'s noticed depositions and subpoenas, and the request to add Cherlyn Voss as a witness. This conference will be on-the-record with a court reporter present to transcribe it.

5. As previously ordered, Counsel for Staff and Counsel for AG Processing, Inc. shall be present for the discovery conference. If a separate procedural conference is held to address the other issues referenced in paragraph 4, Counsel for Staff and Counsel for AG Processing, Inc. shall also be present for that separate conference commencing at 2:30 p.m. on February 10, 2012.

6. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Reed', is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Steven C. Reed
Secretary

(S E A L)

Harold Stearley, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
Under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of January, 2012.