## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018.

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water	)	
Company's Request for Authority to Implement a	) <u>File No. V</u>	VR-2017-0285
General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer	)	
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas	)	

#### ORDER APPROVING RECONCILIATION OF CONTESTED ISSUES

Issue Date: July 19, 2018 Effective Date: July 19, 2018

Section 386.420.4, RSMo 2016, requires the Commission to prepare and approve a detailed reconciliation regarding the dollar value and rate or charge impact of the contested issues decided by the Commission in this rate case. The law requires the Commission to allow the parties an opportunity to provide written input regarding that reconciliation.

On June 29, 2018, Missouri-American filed a proposed reconciliation. The Commission directed any party wishing to respond to Missouri-American's proposed reconciliation to do so by July 13. The Office of the Public Counsel filed a response on July 13, in which it challenged Missouri-American's calculation of the amount it would earn in interest on lead service line costs. Any party wishing to do so was ordered to respond to Public Counsel by July 17. Missouri-American responded to Public Counsel on July 17, contending that Public Counsel's challenge to Missouri-American's calculation of interest earned on lead service line costs is incorrect and untimely. The controlling statute, section 386.420.4, RSMo, does not require the Commission to resolve the disagreement between Public Counsel and Missouri-American regarding the reconciliation. Instead, the statute

says "[i]n the event there is any dispute over the value of a particular issue ... the commission shall also include in the reconciliation a quantification of the dollar value and rate or charge impact associated with the dispute." Consistent with that statute, the Commission finds that the reconciliation submitted by Missouri-American on June 29, subject to the dispute identified by Public Counsel, is an accurate representation of the revenue requirement impact of the issues decided by the Commission in its report and order. A copy of Public Counsel's reply filed on July 13, as well as Missouri-American's July 17 response to that reply, will be included as a supplement to the reconciliation. The Commission further finds that the submitted reconciliation, as supplemented, satisfies the requirements of Section 386.420.4, RSMo 2016.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- The Reconciliation filed by Missouri-American Water Company on June 29,
   as supplemented, is approved.
  - 2. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Hall, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and Silvey, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge

### STATE OF MISSOURI

#### OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2018.

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Morris L. Woodruff

**Secretary** 

# MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION July 19, 2018

#### File/Case No. WR-2017-0285

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