BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas.

Case No. WR-2010-0131

REPORT OF CONSOLIDATED TARIFF COLLABORATIVE GROUP

Comes now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and, on behalf

of Consolidated Tariff Collaborative Group (Collaborative Group), states to the Missouri Public

Service Commission (Commission) as follows:

1. On June 16, 2010, the Commission issued its Report and Order in the above-

referenced matter which, among other things, approved a Stipulation and Agreement entered into

by a number of the Parties. One of the provisions of that Stipulation and Agreement involved the

agreement to establish a Collaborative Group to study the need, procedure and options regarding

a consolidated tariff. Specifically, paragraph 16 of the Stipulation and Agreement stated:

16. **Consolidation of Tariff**. Rules, Regulations and Conditions of Service shall not be consolidated for MAWC's operating districts in this case. A collaborative group consisting of MAWC, Public Counsel, Staff and any interested party to this case will be established to study the need, procedure and options for future implementation of consolidated Rules, Regulations and Conditions of Service tariff for MAWC's operating districts. MAWC will expressly and in good faith identify to the collaborative group and discuss what, if any, changes are being proposed from existing tariff rules on a district by district basis. If the parties to the collaborative group cannot agree on such tariff consolidation by November 1, 2010, then they will bring their unresolved issues to the Commission for adjudication.

2. Beginning on July, 22, 2010, representatives of Staff, MAWC, City of Riverside,

City of Joplin, Ag Processing, City of St. Joseph, Warrensburg and Office of the Public Counsel began a series of meetings to discuss the need, procedure and options for future implementation of a consolidated tariff. As a result of those meetings and discussions, the Collaborative Group has made progress toward the possibility of a consolidated tariff, but requests additional time to establish whether a consolidated tariff is possible.

3. Parties involved in this Collaborative Group have continued discussions on this topic and further ask to be allowed to provide a status update to the Commission regarding any progress made in this effort by March 15, 2011.

Wherefore, the Staff respectfully submits on behalf of the Collaborative Group this Report and requests until March 15, 2011, to continue negotiations and meetings to discuss the possibility of a consolidated tariff.

Respectfully submitted,

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