#### STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

In the Matter of the Joint Application of	)
Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Co., Inc. and	) File No. WA-2016-0019
Missouri-American Water Company, for	)
MAWC to Acquire Certain Water and Sewer Assets	) Tracking Nos. YS-2016-0158
of Hickory Hills and, in Connection Therewith, Issue	) and YW-2016-0157
Indebtedness and Encumber Assets.	)

# **ORDER APPROVING TARIFF**

Issue Date: January 6, 2016

Effective Date: January 15, 2016

Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") filed the pending tariffs<sup>1</sup> pursuant to the Commission's order granting the applications that initiated this action<sup>2</sup> ("order"). That order transferred the certificates of convenience and necessity and assets of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Co., Inc. to MAWC and required MAWC to file tariffs in compliance with that order's description. The pending tariffs bear a proposed effective date of January 15, 2016.

The Commission may approve any tariff without a hearing or any other procedure,<sup>3</sup> so this action is not a contested case,<sup>4</sup> and the Commission need not separately state its findings of fact.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Electronic Filing Information Service ("EFIS") No. 28 (December 15, 2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EFIS No. 24 (November 4, 2015), Order Denying Request for Local Public Hearings and Granting Applications with Conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Section 393.150.1, RSMo 2000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Sections 536.010(4) and 536.063(1), RSMo Supp. 2013.

Staff filed a recommendation in favor of approving the tariffs.<sup>5</sup> No other party filed a response to the tariffs within the time set by order for such filing.<sup>6</sup> The absence of opposition to the tariffs supports an effective date less than 30 days from issuance of this order.<sup>7</sup> Therefore, the Commission independently concludes that the tariffs support safe and adequate service at just and reasonable rates, <sup>8</sup> and will approve the tariffs.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff to which the Commission assigned tracking no. YW-2016-0157 is approved. The specific tariff approved is:

## P.S.C. MO. No. 22

2. The tariff to which the Commission assigned tracking no. YS-2016-0158 is approved. The specific tariff approved is:

### P.S.C. MO. No. 23

3. This order shall be effective on January 15, 2016.

### BY THE COMMISSION



Morris I Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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

Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> EFIS No. 31 (December 28, 2015) *Staff Recommendation*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 4 CSR 240-2.080(13).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Section 386.490.2, RSMo Supp. 2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Section 393.130.1, RSMo Supp. 2013; Section 393.150.1, RSMo 2000.