### STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

n the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's	)	
Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate	)	File I
ncrease for Water and Sewer Service Provided in	)	File I
Missouri Service Areas	)	

File No. WR-2011-0337 File No. SR-2011-0338

# ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF SHEETS AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY

Issue Date: July 13, 2011 Effective Date: July 20, 2011

On April 11, 2011, Missouri American Water Company ("MAWC") filed a Notice of Intended Case Filing" wherein it announced its intention to initiate a general rate case proceeding to seek an increase in its water and sewer rates. Approximately 80 days later, on June 30, 2011, MAWC submitted a tariff designed to implement a general rate increase for its water and sewer service. MAWC indicates the new utility service rates are designed to increase its gross annual revenues by approximately \$42.9 million exclusive of applicable gross receipts, sales, franchise or occupational fees or taxes. The submitted tariff sheets carry an effective date of July 30, 2011.

#### The Commission's Authority to Suspend Proposed Tariffs

Section 393.150, RSMo 2000, authorizes the Commission to suspend the effective date of a proposed tariff for 120 days, plus an additional six months to allow for a hearing on the matter. So that it will have sufficient time to study the effect of MAWC's general rate increase tariff and to determine if it is just, reasonable, and in the

public interest, the Commission will suspend that tariff for a period of 120 days beyond the requested effective date. Furthermore, because a hearing on the tariff cannot be concluded within 120 days, the tariff will be suspended for an additional six months.

#### The Commission's Authority to Delegate Authority

Section 386.240, RSMo, 2000, provides:

The commission may authorize any person employed by it to do or perform any act, matter or thing which the commission is authorized by this chapter to do or perform; provided, that no order, rule or regulation of any person employed by the commission shall be binding on any public utility or any person unless expressly authorized or approved by the commission.

The Commission has issued a discovery order in this case. To ensure that all discovery disputes are ruled upon expeditiously, the Commission will delegate its authority to the Regulatory Law Judge to rule on discovery disputes raised at the discovery conferences and to rule on all motions to compel discovery.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The tariff sheets submitted under Tariff File Nos. YW-2011-0673, YW-2011-0674, YW-2011-0675, YW-2011-0676, YW-2011-0677, YW-2011-0678, YW-2011-0679, YW-2011-0680, YW-2011-0681, YS-2011-0682, YS-2011-0683, YS-2011-0684, YS-2011-0685, YS-2011-0686 on June 30, 2011, by Missouri American Water Company, for the purpose of increasing rates for utility service, are suspended for 120 days, from July 30, 2011, to November 27, 2011.
- 2. The tariff sheets suspended for 120 days in ordered paragraph 1, are suspended an additional six months beyond November 27, 201, to May 27, 2012.
  - 3. The specific tariff sheets suspended are:

#### P.S.C MO NO. 1 [YW-2011-0673 - Water – St. Joseph]

15th Revised Sheet No. 1 Cancelling 14th Revised Sheet No. 1 1st Revised Sheet No. 1a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 1a 3rd Revised Sheet No. 1B Cancelling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1B 12th Revised Sheet No. 2 Cancelling 11th Revised Sheet No. 2 1st Revised Sheet No. 3 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 3 1st Revised Sheet No. 4 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 4

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 3 [YW-2011-0675 – Water - Jefferson City]

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4th Revised Sheet No. 5 Cancelling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 5
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#### <u>P.S.C MO NO. 4</u> [YW-2011-0676 – Water - Brunswick]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 4 [YW-2011-0676 – Water - Mexico]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 4 [YW-2011-0676 – Water – Platte County]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 6 [YW-2011-0677 – Water – St. Louis]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 11 [YW-2011-0680 – Water – Taney County]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 13 [YW-2011-0681]

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### <u>P.S.C MO NO. 2</u> [YS-2011-0682 – Sewer – Platte County]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 7 [YS-2011-0683 – Sewer – Warren County]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 8 [YS-2011-0684 – Sewer – Cedar Hill]

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#### P.S.C MO NO. 10 [YS-2011-0685 – Sewer – Cole & Pettis Counties]

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#### <u>P.S.C MO NO. 12</u> [YS-2011-0686 – Sewer – Morgan County]

4th Revised Sheet No. 4 Cancelling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 4 1st Revised Sheet No. 5 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 5

- 4. The Presiding Officer has full authority and shall rule on any discovery disputes during all discovery conferences.
- 5. The Presiding Officer has full authority to rule on any pending motion to compel discovery.
  - 6. This order shall become effective on July 20, 2011.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Steven C. Reed Secretary

Gunn, Chm., Clayton, Davis, Jarrett, and Kenney, CC., concur.

Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge