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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: Case No. WR-2003-0500

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Provided herewith for filing on behalf of Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC"), please find in electronic format MAWC's Supplemental Response to Motion to Set Local Public Hearings.

A copy of this filing is being provided to all parties of record.

Please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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By:

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cc: All parties of record

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the General Rate Increase)	
for Water and Sewer Service Provided)	Case No. WR-2003-0500
by Missouri-American Water Company.)	

MAWC'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO MOTION TO SET LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC" or "Company") and, as its Supplemental Response to Motion to Set Local Public Hearing, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

- 1. On July 31, 2003, the Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel") filed its Motion to Set Local Public Hearings in this matter. This motion was joined by MAWC and several other parties.
- 2. On the same day (July 31, 2003), Staff filed its Recommendation Regarding Local Public Hearings in which it indicated no objection regarding local public hearing dates, times and places recommended by the Public Counsel for Brunswick (September 3, 2003), St. Charles (September 8, 2003), St. Louis County (September 8, 2003) and Warrensburg (September 16, 2003). The Staff proposed alternate dates for the remaining local public hearings locations recommended by the Public Counsel.
- 3. On August 4, 2003, MAWC filed its Response to the Public Counsel and Staff pleadings, again supporting the Public Counsel Motion. Additionally, MAWC asked that the Commission issue its order establishing those local public hearings to which there was no objection. As of this date, no order establishing local public hearings has been issued.
 - 4. The Suspension Order and Notice in this case, among other things, requires that

MAWC notify its customers "at least ten days, and not more than 45 days, prior to any local public hearing."

5. At this date, MAWC cannot have the appropriate notices, printed, package and sent in a timely fashion for the following local public hearings proposed by the Public Counsel:

Brunswick, September 3, 2003;

St. Charles, September 8, 2003;

St. Louis, September 8, 2003;

St. Joseph, September 10, 2003; and,

Platte County, September 10, 2003.

- 6. MAWC will not be able to provide notice for more of the proposed dates as additional time passes. MAWC will notify the Commission as this becomes the case.
- 7. Because many of the Public Counsel proposed local public hearings dates are not now practical, MAWC suggests that the Commission direct the parties to provide new recommendations concerning local public hearings.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests that the Commission direct the parties to provide additional recommendations as to dates, times and places for local public hearings.

Respectfully submitted,

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