

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Missouri-American)
Water Company for Certificates of)
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing)
it to Install, Own, Acquire, Construct,) File No. SA-2018-0019
Operate, Control, Manage and Maintain)
a Sewer System in an area of St. Louis)
County, Missouri (Homestead Estates).)

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

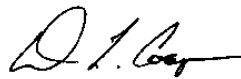
COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) and, in response to the Staff Recommendation, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission):

1. On July 19, 2017, MAWC filed an *Application and If Necessary, Motion for Waiver, seeking a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity* (“Application”) seeking a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for authority to install, own, acquire, construct, operate, control, manage, and maintain a water system and sewer system in an area of St. Louis County, Missouri known as Homestead Estates.
2. On September 5, 2017, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a Staff Recommendation and an associated Memorandum, wherein it recommended approval of the Application with conditions described in the Memorandum. The Memorandum identifies recommendations 1-16. (Memo, p. 5-7)
3. MAWC has no objection to recommendations 1-16.
4. Further, MAWC states that it will not seek to recover acquisition premium, if any exists, associated with this acquisition and that it intends to address the rate base treatment of this

system in WR-2017-0285 and SR-2017-0286, provided the closing of this transaction takes place prior to December 31, 2017.

WHEREFORE, Missouri-American Water Company prays the Commission consider this Response to Staff Recommendation and, thereafter, issue its order granting MAWC's Application.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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