

**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 March, 2024.

In the Matter of the Petition of Missouri-  
American Water Company for Approval to  
Change a Water and Sewer Infrastructure  
Rate Adjustment )

**File Nos. WO-2024-0195  
and SO-2024-0196**  
Tracking Nos. JW-2024-0120  
and JS-2024-0121

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING DEADLINES,  
DIRECTING FILINGS, CONSOLIDATING CASES,  
AND SUSPENDING TARIFFS**

Issue Date: March 6, 2024

Effective Date: March 6, 2024

On March 1, 2024,<sup>1</sup> Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) filed a petition to change its water and sewer infrastructure rate adjustments (WSIRAs) under Sections 393.1500-1509, RSMo (Supp. 2023). MAWC also asked the Commission to approve its tariff sheets to implement the WSIRAs. The tariff sheets bear an effective date of March 31, 2024.

MAWC states the proposed water rate schedule, on an annualized basis, will produce WSIRA revenues of \$19,254,857, or an increase of 4.6 percent based on the base water revenue level approved by the Commission in MAWC's most recently completed general rate proceeding. MAWC also states that the proposed sewer rate

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<sup>1</sup> All dates refer to 2024 unless otherwise indicated.

schedule, on an annualized basis, will produce WSIRA revenues of \$272,062, or an increase of 1.4 percent based on the base sewer revenue level approved by the Commission in its most recently completed general rate proceeding.

Section 393.1509, RSMo, requires a Commission order regarding the WSIRAs become effective no later than 180 days after the petition was filed - August 28. Additionally, Section 393.1509, RSMo, requires the Commission to publish notice of the filings. Therefore, the Commission will give notice of this petition and set other procedural deadlines.

Section 393.1509, RSMo, allows the Staff of the Commission (Staff) to examine the petition and submit a report of its examination no later than 90 days after the petition was filed. Consequently, the Commission will establish a deadline for Staff to file a report and recommendation. Additionally, the Commission will set a date within the same 90-day time frame for the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and any other parties to file objections, recommendations, or requests for hearing. The Commission will also set a time for responses to any of those filings.

Concurrently with the petition, MAWC filed revised tariff sheets to implement the WSIRAs. In order for Staff to have adequate time to perform its review and for the Commission to consider the petition, the tariff sheets will be suspended.

On March 1, MAWC filed a motion to consolidate File Nos. WO-2024-0195 and SO-2024-0196. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.110(3) permits the consolidation of pending actions that involve related questions of law or fact. Since the cases will involve common facts, parties, and issues, the Commission will consolidate these cases.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. File Nos. WO-2024-0195 and SO-2024-0196 are hereby consolidated, with File No. WO-2024-0195 being the lead case.
2. The Commission's Data Center shall serve this order on the county commission, or equivalent governmental body, of all of the counties within MAWC's water and sewer service areas.
3. The Commission's Data Center shall also provide a copy of this order to the parties in MAWC's last general rate case, File No. WR-2022-0303.
4. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make notice of this order available to the media serving MAWC's water and sewer service areas.
5. Any entity wishing to intervene shall file an application to do so no later than March 21, 2024.
6. Staff shall file its recommendation no later than May 30, 2024.
7. Public Counsel and any other party shall file any objections, recommendations, or hearing requests no later than May 30, 2024.
8. MAWC shall respond to Staff's recommendation or any other objections or recommendations no later than June 7, 2024.
9. Any other party wishing to respond or object to Staff's recommendation or other objections or recommendations shall do so no later than June 7, 2024.
10. The tariff sheets filed by MAWC on March 1, 2024, and assigned tariff Tracking Numbers JW-2024-0120 and JS-2024-0121, are suspended until August 28, 2024.

11. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Nancy Dippell*

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

Hahn, Ch., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman  
and Kolkmeyer CC., concur.

Hatcher, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.**



*Nancy Dippell*  
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**Nancy Dippell**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**March 6, 2024**

**File/Case No. WO-2024-0195 and SO-2024-0196**

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***Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).***

***Sincerely,***



**Nancy Dippell  
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