BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri-)	
American Water Company for Authority to)	File No. WF-2024-0353
Issue Up to \$405 Million of Long-Term Debt)	THE 140. WI 2021 0555
and Secure Same with a Mortgage on its)	
Property)	

MAWC'S RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and files this *Response to Staff Recommendation* with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"). In support, MAWC states as follows:

- 1. On July 22, 2024, Staff filed its *Staff Recommendation* and supporting *Memorandum* recommending that the Commission approve the application of MAWC to enter into a variety of secured debt financing with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources ("MO DNR"), not to exceed an aggregate principal amount of \$405 million, by placing a mortgage, lien or encumbrance on its properties in the State of Missouri and grant MAWC's requested waiver from the 60 day requirement of 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).
- 2. Staff's *Memorandum* recommended the Commission grant MAWC's application subject to the six (6) Recommended Conditions listed on pages 7-8 of Staff's *Memorandum*.
- 3. MAWC hereby states that it does not object to the six (6) conditions listed on pages 7-8 of Staff's *Memorandum*.

WHEREFORE, MAWC provides this *Response to Staff Recommendation* and requests the Commission approve the application of MAWC to enter into a variety of secured debt financing with the MO DNR, not to exceed an aggregate principal amount of \$405 million, by placing a mortgage, lien or encumbrance on its properties in the State of Missouri and grant MAWC's

requested waiver from the 60 day requirement of 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1), subject to Staff's conditions as stated herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was electronically transmitted on this 2^{nd} day of August 2024, to all counsel of record.