BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Petition of Missouri- American Water Company for Approval to Change a Water and Sewer Infrastructure Rate Adjustment (WSIRA))))	File No. WR-2025-0009 Tracking No. JW-2025-0026
In the Matter of the Petition of Missouri- American Water Company for Approval to Change a Water and Sewer Infrastructure Rate Adjustment (WSIRA)))	File No. SR-2025-0014 Tracking No. JS-2025-0027

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING AN INTERVENTION DEADLINE, DIRECTING A STAFF RECOMMENDATION, AND CONSOLIDATING FILES

Issue Date: September 12, 2024 Effective Date: September 12, 2024

On September 3, 2024, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) filed a petition to change its water and sewer infrastructure rate adjustments (WSIRAs) under Sections 393.1500-1509, RSMo. MAWC also asked the Commission to approve its tariff sheets to implement the WSIRAs. Those tariff sheets bear an effective date of October 3, 2024.

MAWC's proposed water rate schedule, on an annualized basis, will produce WSIRA revenues of \$19,260,452, or an increase of 4.6% based on the base water revenue level approved by the Commission in MAWC's most recent general rate proceeding. MAWC's proposed sewer rate schedule, on an annualized basis, will produce WSIRA revenues of \$154,816, or an increase of 0.8% based on the base sewer revenue level approved by the Commission in its most recent 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. So, any Commission

order must be effective no later than March 2, 2025. Additionally, Section 393.1509, RSMo, requires the Commission 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.

The Commission will suspend the tariff sheets in a separate Commission order so Staff has adequate time to perform its review and the Commission has adequate time to consider the petition

On September 3, 2024, MAWC also filed a motion to consolidate its water and sewer WSIRA requests. 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. WR-2025-0009 and SR-2025-0014 are hereby consolidated, with File No. WR-2025-0009 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 September 27, 2024.
 - 6. Staff shall file its recommendation no later than December 2, 2024.
- 7. Public Counsel and any other party shall file any objections, recommendations, or hearing requests no later than December 2, 2024.
- 8. MAWC shall respond to Staff's recommendation or any other objections or recommendations no later than December 9, 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 December 9, 2024.
 - 10. This order shall be effective when issued.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 12th day of September, 2024.

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 12th day of September 2024.

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION September 12, 2024

File/Case No. WR-2025-0009 and SR-2025-0014 (Consolidated)

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

Sincerely,

Secretary

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