

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)
Company’s Request for Authority to)
Implement General Rate Increase for) Case Nos. WR-2024-0320 and
Water and Sewer Service Provided in) SR-2024-0321
Missouri Service Areas)

LIBERTY’S POSITION STATEMENT

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (“Liberty”) and, for its Position Statement, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. Liberty’s interest in this case arises from its status as a high-volume customer of Missouri-American Water Company (“MAWC”) with a special contract.

2. On February 14, 2025, the Staff of the Commission (“Staff”) filed the List of Issues, Order of Opening Statements, Order of Cross-Examination. Liberty takes a position on only one issue stated therein.

3. Issue 13 pertains to special contracts, and sub-issue 13(a) asks: “Should Liberty/Empire be placed on Rate J?”

4. Liberty’s position on this issue is that yes, Liberty should be placed on Rate J. Prior to MAWC’s initiation of this rate case proceeding, Liberty requested termination of its special contract and to be moved to the applicable non-contract rate (Rate J) with the conclusion of MAWC’s next rate case. In its direct filing herein, MAWC proposed for Liberty’s special contract to terminate and for Liberty to be placed on Rate J with the conclusion of the case. Staff concurred, and no party has indicated opposition.

WHEREFORE, Liberty respectfully submits this Position Statement and requests such relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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