

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)
Water and Sewer Service Provided in)
Missouri Service Areas)

File No. WR-2020-0344

ORDER DELAYING HEARING AND EXCUSING PARTIES

Issue Date: February 22, 2021

Effective Date: February 22, 2021

Due to the Commission's schedule, the start of the evidentiary hearing will be postponed until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 24, 2021. The Commission will begin at that time with Opening Statements and hear from the "Overview and Regulatory Policy" witnesses. On Thursday, February 25, 2021, the hearing will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. and will begin with the "Rate of Return/Capital Structure" issues in order to accommodate witness availability. After that issue, the Commission will hear the remaining contested issues in the order as set out in the parties' proposed hearing schedule, unless the order is further altered at the hearing.

Additionally, the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis (Municipal League) has asked to be excused from participation in the hearing. The Municipal League has no witnesses of its own and has waived its rights to make opening statements and to cross-examine witnesses. Missouri Energy Consumers Group (MECG) has also asked to be excused from participation in the full hearing. MECG also has no witnesses and stated that it understood it waived any rights to cross-examination of witnesses in its absence. The Commission will grant these requests to be excused.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The evidentiary hearing shall begin on February 24, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. via Webex video and telephone conference. The parties may access the hearing using the information that has been previously sent to them. The hearing will proceed in the order as set out above unless amended further.
2. All known exhibits and presentations not previously filed in File No. WR-2020-0344 in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information Systems (EFIS) shall be submitted via email to the regulatory law judge (or filed in EFIS, if email is not technically feasible) no later than 12:00 p.m. on February 24, 2021.
3. The Municipal League and MECG are excused from participation in the hearing.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of February, 2021.

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 22nd day of February, 2021.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

February 22, 2021

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Morris" being the most prominent.

**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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