

**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)

Case No. WR-2026-0304

MOTION CONCERNING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC), the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, and, on behalf of itself, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC), and the Office of the Public Counsel, states as follows to the Commission as their *Motion Concerning Local Public Hearings (Motion)*:

1. On August 6, 2026, the Commission issued its *Order Setting Procedural Schedule*. According to the *Order*, local public hearings for this case are to be held in December.
2. On September 11, 2026, the Commission issued its *Ordering Directing the Parties to File Proposed Locations and Notice Language for Local Public Hearings*. In part, the *Order* directed the parties to file proposed locations for local public hearings no later than September 30, 2026.
3. The Parties¹ have discussed potential dates, times, and locations for such local public hearings and now propose the following:

LOCATION	DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Jefferson City	December 1, 2026	Governor Office Building Room 310 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, MO 65201	6:00 p.m.

¹ The proposed dates and locations were sent to all intervenors for review; no party has stated an objection to the proposed dates or locations provided.

St. Louis	December 3, 2026	St. Louis Community College— Meramec 11333 Big Bend Road Kirkwood, MO 63122	noon
St. Louis	December 3, 2026	University of Missouri- St. Louis Millenium Student Center Century Room C 17 Arnold B. Grobman Drive, St. Louis, MO 63121	6:00 p.m.
Joplin	December 7, 2026	Missouri Southern State University 3950 Newman Road Joplin, MO 64801	6:00 p.m.
Branson	December 8, 2026	Branson RecPlex Community Room C 1501 Branson Hills Pkwy Branson, MO 65616	noon
Riverside	December 15, 2026	Riverside City Hall 2950 NW Vivion Road Riverside, MO 64150	noon
St. Joseph	December 15, 2026	St. Joseph City Hall City Council Chambers 1100 Frederick Avenue St. Joseph, MO 64501	6:00 p.m.
Virtual	December 17, 2026	WebEx	noon
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4. The locations identified are either locations utilized in prior cases, or locations that parties believe to be appropriate. The parties have not contacted those locations to confirm availability on the dates proposed.
5. Please find a proposed Customer Notice (Notice), included and incorporated to this *Motion* as Attachment A. This Notice has been circulated to all the Parties, and no Party has stated an objection to the Notice.
6. MAWC believes it would need a final order setting forth dates, times and locations for

the local public hearings and approval of the Notice by October 22, 2026, so MAWC can print and mail the hearing notices in a timely manner.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully provides these suggested local public hearing dates, times and locations and the Customer Notice for consideration by the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail or by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on September 14, 2026 to the attorneys of record.

/s/ Rachel Niemeier



AMERICAN WATER

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MISSOURI AMERICAN WATER COMPANY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

On July 1, 2026, Missouri American Water filed a request with the Missouri Public Service Commission (MoPSC) to review our water and wastewater rates. The request was driven by nearly \$1.6 billion in completed or planned system improvements across the state from June 2025 to May 2028. Missouri American Water requested that the MoPSC raise its base rates in total by approximately \$191.9 million annually, or approximately 31.2% over total water and wastewater revenues currently authorized by the MoPSC.

Investments in the rate review include the replacement of approximately 140 miles of aging water and wastewater pipes to help reduce main breaks and sewer overflows. Improvement projects also include the upgrading of treatment plants, storage tanks, wells, pumping and lift stations, fire hydrants, meters and more across the state. Our proactive upgrades are an important part of providing safe and reliable service to families and businesses across the state.

Under MAWC's request as originally proposed, the bill for a typical volumetric water customer using an average of 5,000 gallons monthly would increase between \$16 and \$20 per month, depending on the service area. The change to bills for wastewater customers will vary, depending on the service area. Some customers would see a \$6 increase and others would see up to a \$38 increase. The amount of any changes to any customers' individual monthly bill may be different from those specified here.

The MoPSC will ultimately determine what amount of increase, if any, to approve. Current bills include an adjustment for the Water and Sewer Infrastructure Act to help pay for certain completed improvement projects, the Water and Sewer Infrastructure Act adjustment will return to \$0 at the conclusion of this case. Under the rate review process, these projects are reviewed and may be included in any new rates set by the MoPSC. Any new rates approved by the MoPSC are expected to become effective June 1, 2027.

Public Hearing Information

The MoPSC is holding several public hearings where customers can ask questions and testify about the company's rate request. Customers are encouraged to participate in the hearings.

Each hearing is divided into two parts. In the first part, you may ask questions of Missouri American Water, the Office of the Public Counsel, and the MoPSC Staff. The MoPSC Commissioners and the regulatory law judge will not attend the informal question and answer session. Your questions and the answers provided will not be part of the evidence the MoPSC reviews. In the second part, MoPSC Commissioners and a regulatory law judge will be present, and you may testify as part of the official record of the case.

Public hearings will be held in person and virtually according to the following schedule:

IN-PERSON PUBLIC HEARINGS		
Date	Start Time	Location
December 1, 2026	6:00 p.m.	Governor State Office Building, Room 310 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, MO 65101
December 3, 2026	Noon	St. Louis Community College—Meramec 11333 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122
December 3, 2026	6:00 p.m.	University of Missouri - St. Louis Millennium Student Center, Century Room C 17 Arnold B. Grobman Drive, St. Louis, MO 63121
December 7, 2026	6:00 p.m.	Missouri Southern State University Robert W. Plaster Free Enterprise Center Cornell Auditorium 3950 E. Newman Road, Joplin, MO 64801
December 8, 2026	Noon	Branson RecPlex, Community Room C 1501 Branson Hills Pkwy, Branson, MO 65616
December 15, 2026	Noon	Riverside City Hall 2950 NW Vivion Road Riverside, MO 64501
December 15, 2026	6:00 p.m.	St. Joseph City Hall, City Council Chambers 1100 Frederick Avenue, St. Joseph, MO 64501

Anyone is welcome to attend the in-person local public hearings at the addresses and times listed above.

VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS		
Date	Start Time	Location
December 17, 2026	Noon	Telephone Number: 1-855-718-6621 Access Code: TBD Password: TBD
December 17, 2026	6:00 p.m.	Telephone Number: 1-855-718-6621 Access Code: TBD Password: TBD

To attend a virtual public hearing by telephone, at the time of the hearing call toll-free 1-855-718-6621, listen to the prompt and enter the corresponding meeting number listed above followed by # (pound/hashtag symbol). If prompted for a password, enter the corresponding password listed above. To attend a virtual public hearing by WebEx video (internet), visit the website www.webex.com. You can also download the Cisco WebEx meetings application on your mobile device, laptop, desktop, or tablet prior to the hearing and join the meeting at the hearing time by entering the corresponding meeting number and password listed above.

To facilitate an orderly presentation that can be preserved for the record, members of the public who wish to participate in the WebEx question-and-answer session or make comment to the Commission during a WebEx hearing shall register by sending their first and last name, phone number, and email address to mawccomments@psc.mo.gov, or by calling 1-800-392-4211 by 5:00 p.m. the day before the hearing.

Any individuals needing special accommodations to participate in the hearings should contact the MoPSC at least ten days prior to the hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

Additional Ways to Provide Comments and Feedback

If you are unable to attend a public hearing, or if you would like to make written comments or receive additional information, you may contact the MoPSC directly at:

Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102
Telephone: 1-800-392-4211 Email: pscinfo@psc.mo.gov

In addition, you may also provide comments or request additional information from the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), a state agency tasked with representing the interests of the public in proceedings before the MoPSC, by contacting the OPC directly at:

Office of the Public Counsel
P.O. Box 2230
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102
Telephone: 1-866-922-2959 (toll free) or 1-573-751-4857 Email: opcservice@opc.mo.gov

Comments may also be submitted electronically using the MoPSC's electronic filing system at https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit_Comments. From this webpage, click "e-Filing Instructions" under the heading "Submit Comments in Writing." When submitting comments, please reference File No. WR-2026-0304.

More Information

Additional information on proposed rates can be found at missouriamwater.com > Customer Service & Billing > Water and Wastewater Rates.

All documents filed as part of the rate review can be found on the MoPSC's Electronic Filing Information System (EFIS) at efis.psc.mo.gov, click on "Existing Case e-Filing and Search" under the heading "Case e-Filings and Search," and enter Case No. WR-2026-0304.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with safe, clean, and reliable water and/or wastewater service.