

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

In the Matter of the General Rate Increase)
for Water and Sewer Service Provided)
by Missouri-American Water Company.)

Case No. WR-2007-0216

**MOTION FOR DISCOVERY CONFERENCE
AND FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the Commission's General Counsel, and hereby moves the Commission to set an on-the-record Discovery Conference during the week of March 5, 2007, for the purpose of taking up and ruling forthwith on the objections of Missouri-American Water Company to Staff's DRs 96, 97, 100, 101, and 104, in that said objections are not well-taken.

In further support of this motion, Staff states that it has exchanged e-mails on the subject with counsel for the Company and that the Company has not thus far changed its position on the objections.

Staff seeks expedited treatment of this matter in that the Company's objections are designed and intended to impede Staff's preparation for the hearing in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Staff urges the Commission to grant expedited treatment to this motion, to set a Discovery Conference and, at the conference, to hear and determine the Company's objections listed above; and to grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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