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

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	Case No. WC-2007-0040
v.	)	
	)	
Missouri-American Water Company,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

## MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO COMPLAINANT MSD'S REQUEST TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COMES NOW Respondent Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") and respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission ("Commission") deny the Request of Complainant Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District ("MSD") to Modify Procedural Schedule. As grounds for its opposition, MAWC states:

- 1. MAWC agrees with MSD that the parties will be in a position to file a joint Statement of Facts, as directed by the Commission, by February 14, 2007.
- 2. If the parties are unable to agree to a Statement of Facts, however, the parties have had sufficient time to prepare their Simultaneous Rebuttal Testimony for filing on February 14, 2007, as directed by the Commission in its January 29, 2007 order.
- 3. MAWC objects in particular to MSD's request to reschedule the hearing set for this matter on March 7, 2007. MAWC has a pending rate case initiated on December 15, 2007 (WR-2007-0216 and SR-2007-0217), in which MSD has intervened. MAWC has requested a true-up date of May 31, 2007. It is essential that MSD's instant complaint case be resolved prior to the true-up date. The revenues received from MSD over \$750,000 per

year – are recorded above the line for rate making purposes. Therefore, the outcome of MSD's complaint case could have a significant impact on the appropriate balance of MAWC's revenue, expense and rate base. Extending the March 7, 2007 hearing date in MSD's complaint case could cause the complaint case to remain unresolved by the time of the true-up date.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests that MSD's Request to Modify Procedural Schedule be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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