

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

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| In the Matter of Missouri-American |) | |
| Water Company's Request for Authority |) | |
| to Implement a General Rate Increase |) | Case No. WR-2007-0216, et al. |
| for Water Service Provided in Missouri |) | |
| Service Areas |) | |

MOTION TO EXTEND FILING DEADLINE
OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, INTENT TO FILE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

Comes now Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC or Company) and, for its Motion to Extend Filing Deadline, states to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) as follows:

1. On August 20, 2007, the Commission issued its Order Clarifying Post-Hearing Procedural Schedule. Among other things, the Order provided that any party wishing to file objections to the City of Joplin's late-filed exhibits do so by August 24, 2007. This order was premised on the City of Joplin having filed both the work papers of its witness Leslie Jones and its calculation of Joplin's revised position by August 22, 2007. Further, the Commission assumed that "by the end of the day on August 22, the parties should have before them all of the materials necessary to register any objections to the late-filed exhibits and provide the Commission with a definitive statement as to if it wishes to offer rebuttal testimony to Joplin's newly adduced testimony, exhibits and positions."

2. On August 22, 2007, Joplin filed both a Statement of Filing of Documents Pursuant to Commission's Order of August 15, 2007 (Ms. Jones pre-August 14, 2007 work papers) and the Statement of Filing of Calculations By the City of Joplin. The associated spreadsheets were filed in *pdf* format.

3. Upon receipt of these filings, MAWC served a data request on Joplin seeking the work papers and electronic files associated with Joplin's filing. The electronic files are significant because they will reveal the formulas used and allow MAWC to ascertain how the numbers associated with Joplin's filing were derived. Some (if not all) of this back-up was provided by Joplin on August 24, 2007. Joplin has indicated that its formal response to MAWC's data request will be provided on Monday, August 27, 2007.

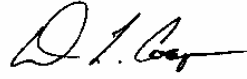
4. On August 24, 2007, Joplin filed its Amended Statement of Filing of Documents Pursuant to Commission's Order of August 15, 2007. Joplin indicated that in the original filing it inadvertently filed only three of the intended seven pages of Ms. Jones' work papers.

5. MAWC believes that Joplin's additional information has not become available as of the date assumed by the Commission. Ms. Jones' complete pre-August 14 work papers have only become available today (August 24) and the back-up documentation that is necessary to understand Joplin's calculation of its new positions will not be completed until Monday, August 27. Accordingly, MAWC asks that the Commission provide the parties until August 28, 2007, to file objections to the late-filed exhibits and to inform the Commission of any intent to offer rebuttal testimony concerning those late-filed exhibits. This additional time is necessary in order understand what has been filed and to determine how MAWC desire to respond, if at all.

6. In the alternative, MAWC hereby reserves the right to respond to Joplin's late-filed exhibits through rebuttal testimony.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests the Commission extend until August 28, 2007, the deadline for providing objections to Joplin's late-filed exhibits and informing the Commission of any intent to offer rebuttal testimony concerning those late-filed exhibits.

Respectfully submitted,



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