BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)	
Company's Request for Authority to Implement)	Case No. WR-2008-0311
A General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer)	SR-2008-0312
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas.)	

RESPONSE TO PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND REQUEST FOR LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

Comes now Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC or Company), and, in response to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) Staff's Proposed Procedural Schedule and the Office of the Public Counsel's Request for Local Public Hearings, states as follows:

- 1. On May 16, 2008, the Commission Staff filed its Proposed Procedural Schedule. As the pleading indicates, MAWC had the opportunity to review this document during its preparation. However, it was unable to review the final version prior to filing. Having now reviewed the final document, MAWC hereby confirms its support for the Proposed Procedural Schedule.
- 2. Also on May 16, 2008, the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) filed its Request for Local Hearings. Public Counsel indicates in the text that it was unable to reach MAWC and several other parties prior to filing. Having now reviewed the Public Counsel pleading, MAWC hereby confirms that it has no objection.

WHEREFORE, MAWC respectfully requests the Commission consider this response and

issue such orders as it may find to be reasonable and just.

Respectfully submitted,

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