

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 5th
day of May, 1993.

In the matter of the application of Missouri-American)
Water Company for approval of its acquisition of the) CASE NO. WM-93-255
common stock of Missouri Cities Water Company.)

ORDER AND NOTICE OF PROCEEDINGS

On March 4, 1993, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC), an operating public utility and Missouri corporation subject to regulation by the Public Service Commission, filed an application with the Commission for approval to perform a stock purchase agreement in which MAWC will acquire 100 percent of the common stock of Missouri Cities Water Company (MCWC). MCWC is an operating public utility subject to regulation by the Commission and currently furnishing water services to the public in, and adjacent to, the cities and communities of Brunswick, Mexico, Parkville, Platte Woods, Houston Lake, Lake Waukomis, Riverside, St. Charles, St. Peters, and Warrensburg, Missouri, and in parts of the unincorporated areas of Platte County and St. Charles County, Missouri.

On March 9, 1993, the Commission issued an order specifying that notice should be given of the proposed transaction per Commission rules and, in addition, specifying a deadline for intervention for all appropriate parties of April 9, 1993. On April 16, 1993, the Commission granted intervention, upon application, for the cities of Mexico, St. Peters, St. Charles, and O'Fallon, Missouri.

On April 23, 1993, the Commission denied a motion by the City of Mexico to stay the proceedings pending a condemnation action in the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri involving that part of the operating system of MCWC serving the Mexico, Missouri vicinity.

The Commission finds that an evidential hearing is appropriate in this matter to determine whether the proposed sale of stock of MCWC to MAWC is not detrimental to the public interest. The Commission also finds that, due to the nature of the contractual arrangements in this proposed transaction, an expedited schedule is appropriate, and therefore sets the procedural schedule in this matter below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following expedited hearing schedule is hereby adopted for this proceeding:

Direct testimony from Applicants	May 17, 1993
Rebuttal testimony from Office of the Public Counsel, Staff, and Intervenors	May 26, 1993
Surrebuttal testimony from Applicants and Cross-Surrebuttal testimony from Office of the Public Counsel, Staff, and Intervenors	June 1, 1993
Prehearing conference	June 4, 1993 (9:00 a.m.)
Evidentiary hearing	June 4, 1993 (Immediately following prehearing conference)

If any person has special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify the Chief Hearing Examiner (314) 751-7497, at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing.

2. That all direct, rebuttal, and surrebuttal testimony, together with attached exhibits, shall be filed in an original and fourteen (14) copies and in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.130(11).

3. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

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Mueller, Chm., Rauch, McClure,
Perkins, and Kincheloe, CC.,
Concur.

BY THE COMMISSION

Brent Stewart

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Executive Secretary