# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of	)	
Missouri-American Water Company and EMC of	)	
St. Charles County, LLC for MAWC to Acquire Certain	)	Case No. SM-2017-0069
Sewer Assets of EMC and, in Connection Therewith,	)	
Certain Other Related Transactions	)	

# PUBLIC COUNSEL'S POSITION STATEMENT REGARDING APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF ASSETS

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel") and for its *Position*Statement states:

- 1. On September 8, 2016, Missouri-American Water Company ("Missouri-American") and EMC of St. Charles County, LLC ("EMC") (jointly, "Applicants") filed a *Joint Application and, If Necessary, Motion for Waiver* ("Joint Application") seeking authorization from the Commission for Missouri-American to acquire a substantial portion of EMC's sewer assets, including EMC's Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN"). Missouri-American alternatively requested a separate CCN, if needed.
- 2. On November 8, 2016, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") filed its Recommendation to Approve this transfer of assets.
- 3. After a review of the pertinent documentation, Public Counsel has concluded they have no objection to this filing.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully submits its *Position Statement*.

# Respectfully,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2016:

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