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RE: Case No. WA-2001-288

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF CONCURRENCE WITH MOTION TO SUSPEND FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE OR MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

FILED

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Missouri Public
Service Commission

In the Matter of the Application of St.)
Louis County Water Company, doing)
business as Missouri-American Water)
Company, for Restatement and)
Clarification of Its Certificate of)
Convenience and Necessity for St. Louis)
County, Missouri.)

Case No. WA-2001-288

STAFF CONCURRENCE WITH MOTION TO SUSPEND FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE OR
MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through one of its attorneys, and for its Concurrence with Motion to Suspend Filing of Procedural Schedule or Motion for Continuance, states as follows:

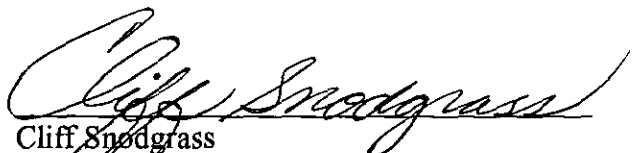
1. On January 25, 2001, a prehearing conference was held as directed by the Commission in its Order of January 11, 2001.
2. During that prehearing conference and the negotiations that ensued, it appeared to Staff that more time was reasonably needed to allow the parties to resolve their differences in the case.
3. In the Order of January 11, 2001, the Commission also directed the parties to file a procedural schedule by February 1, 2001.

4. St. Louis County Water Company (Company) has filed, in essence, a request to suspend filing a procedural schedule and/or continue this cause for subsequent filing of a procedural schedule, in an effort to settle the issues raised by the parties.

5. In lieu of filing a procedural schedule, and in an effort to encourage an amicable resolution of the issues in this case, Staff would respectfully join and support the requests of the Company to either suspend filing of a procedural schedule, and/or continue the case for a subsequent filing of a procedural schedule until February 15, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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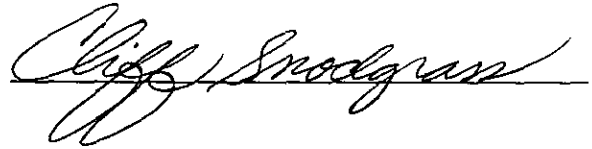


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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 1st day of February, 2001.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Cliff Snodgrass", written over a horizontal line.

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