OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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)	

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND APPROVING MOTION TO MODIFY SUSPENSION ORDER AND NOTICE

ISSUE DATE: February 22, 2007 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 22, 2007

On February 14, 2007, the Staff of the Commission, acting on behalf of all the parties, filed a proposed procedural schedule. Since all the parties have agreed to the proposed schedule, the Commission will adopt it.

The Commission finds that the following conditions should be applied:

- (A) The response and objection intervals for Data Requests (DRs) shall, as of June 5, 2007, be shortened to 10 days for response and 5 business days (one week) for objection.
- (B) All filings may be electronically served upon the parties by transmitting a copy to counsel of record.
- (C) DRs shall be shared electronically with all counsel of record as shown on the certified service list and not just transmitted to the party of whom the request is made. DR responses shall be provided to those parties specifically requesting

them, unless subject to an objection. DR responses must be requested from the party who originally prepared them. Electronic materials shall be provided to the parties in formats that are accessible by commonly available programs such as Adobe Acrobat, MSWord, WordPerfect, Outlook, Excel or Quatro. This shall not be interpreted to require a party to scan or otherwise recreate an extant document in electronic form solely for the purpose of complying with this provision. Such documents shall be provided in their native format.

- (D) All exhibits shall be pre-marked. Each party shall number its exhibits sequentially and shall include a shorthand indication of the party's name as part of the exhibit number, separated from the number by a dash. For example, a Company exhibit might be designated "MAWC-1."
- (E) Parties shall, without necessity of a request, serve workpapers electronically upon all parties not later than two business days following the filing of testimony.
- (F) The Commission will waive Rule 4 CSR 240-2.045(2) for the purposes of this proceeding and items filed electronically using the EFIS system shall be deemed timely filed if received by Midnight of the date on which the filing is due.

On February 14, 2007, Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) filed a Motion to Modify Notice Provisions and Recommendation as to Local Hearings. MAWC requested the Commission modify its Suspension Order and Notice to allow MAWC to provide a single notice to customers containing the dates for all hearings in the St. Louis District. In all other districts, MAWC would provide the document as an insert with regular billings.

The Commission finds MAWC's request reasonable and will grant the motion.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

Direct Testimony (Revenue Requirement): June 5, 2007

All parties except Company

Direct Testimony (Rate Design): June 12, 2007

All parties except Company

Settlement Conference: June 18 - 22, 2007

Issues List: June 29, 2007

Reconciliation: June 29, 2007

Rebuttal Testimony and True-up Direct

Testimony (if necessary): July 10, 2007

All parties

Surrebuttal Testimony and True-up Rebuttal

Testimony (if necessary): July 27, 2007

All parties

Prehearing Brief: July 30, 2007

All parties

Final List of Issues, List of Witnesses, Order of Cross-Examination, Order of Opening, Final Reconciliation, and

Position Statements (optional): July 30, 2007

Evidentiary & True-up Hearing: August 6 - 17, 2007

8:30 a.m.

Post Hearing Brief: August 31, 2007

Proposed Findings of Fact & Conclusions

of Law (optional): August 31, 2007

2. The hearing will be held at the Commission's office at the Governor Office

Building, Room 305 (August 6-10, 2007) and Room 310 (August 13-17, 2007), 200

Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

3. The Suspension Order and Notice is modified to allow Missouri-American Water Company to provide a single notice to St. Louis District customers that shall contain the dates for the local public hearing, evidentiary and true-up hearing on a single document. This document shall be provided to said customers at least ten days, but not more than 45 days, prior to the local public hearing to be conducted in their area (but not necessarily within the 10-45 day period as to the evidentiary and true-up hearings). In all other districts, the document shall be provided as an insert with regular billings.

4. This order will become effective on February 22, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Colleen M. Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22nd day of February, 2007.