OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's Request for Authority)
to Implement a General Rate Increase) <u>Case No. WR-2007-0216, et al.</u>
for Water Service Provided in Missouri)
Service Areas)

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION TIME TO FILE THE FINAL LIST OF ISSUES, LIST OF WITNESSES, ORDER OF OPENING STATEMENTS, FINAL RECONCILIATION, POSITION STATEMENTS (OPTIONAL) AND PREHEARING BRIEFS

Issue Date: July 30, 2007 Effective Date: July 30, 2007

On July 30, 2007, Missouri American Water Company ("MAWC") filed a request to extend the date for filing the final list of issues, list of witnesses, order of cross-examination, order of opening statements, final reconciliation, position statements (optional) and prehearing briefs. This request was made in response to the Commission having extended the deadline for filing surrebuttal testimony until July 31, 2007. MAWC represents that it will need an extension of these filing deadlines so that it, and the other parties, will have the benefit of surrebuttal testimony before finalizing these remaining pleadings.

MAWC further represents that the Commission's Staff, Office of the Public Counsel, City of Joplin, AG Processing, Inc., Missouri Energy Group, City of Warrensburg, Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers, City of Jefferson and City of Parkville, have all indicated that they have no objection to this extension. Additionally, the Commission's Staff, Public Water Supply District Nos. 1 and 2 of Andrew County and Public Water Supply District No. 1 of DeKalb County, have separately filed statements of non-opposition to the requested

extension of time.

Since the procedural schedule requires the parties to file the pleadings at issue by today's end or, in the case of the pre-hearing briefs on July 31, the Commission must rule on the Motion immediately. The Commission finds MAWC's request to be reasonable and will modify the procedural schedule. This order changes the filing deadlines on these pleadings as outlined in the ordered paragraphs below.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- The Final List of Issues, List of Witnesses, Order of Cross-Examination, Order of Opening Statements, Final Reconciliation and Position Statements (optional) shall be filed on or before August 1, 2007.
 - 2. Prehearing Briefs shall be filed on or before August 2, 2007.
 - 2. This order shall become effective on July 30, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 30th day of July, 2007.