

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 20th day of June 2018.

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water)
Company's Request for Authority to Implement) **File No. WR-2017-0285, et al.**
General Rate Increase for Water and Sewer)
Service Provided in Missouri Service Areas.)

ORDER DENYING APPLICATIONS FOR REHEARING

Issue Date: June 20, 2018

Effective Date: June 20, 2018

On May 2, 2018, the Commission issued its Report and Order for this case. The Commission received timely applications for rehearing from the Home Builders of St. Louis and Eastern Missouri, Midwest Energy Consumers Group, and the Office of the Public Counsel.

Section 386.500.1, RSMo 2016, states that the Commission shall grant an application for rehearing if "in its judgment sufficient reason therefor be made to appear." In the judgment of the Commission, the applications do not demonstrate sufficient reason to rehear the matter. The Commission will deny those applications.

The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") also filed a Motion for Reconsideration requesting the Commission reconsider its May 15, 2018 Order Approving Tariffs ("Order") and eliminate or revise its dictum to not apply to a contract between Missouri-American Water Company ("MAWC") and Empire. Empire also requests the Commission "continue to refrain from granting MAWC any authority to increase the rate under the Empire special contract...." As the Commission explained in the Order, Empire

did not object to the tariff sheets MAWC submitted to comply with the Commission's May 2, 2018 Report and Order. Rather, Empire objected to supporting workpapers MAWC provided to parties that merely detailed the mathematical results of the Commission's decision in its Report and Order and Order Approving Stipulations and Agreements. The Order's language that Empire seeks to revise – that the workpapers about which Empire complains do not result in a unilateral change in Empire's contract with MAWC- is accurate. The workpapers simply show the impact of the Commission's Report and Order as applied to the contract between MAWC and Empire. Therefore, the Commission will deny Empire's Motion for Reconsideration.

On May 25, 2018, the City of St. Joseph, Missouri ("St. Joseph") filed a Response to Report and Order expressing St. Joseph's disappointment that its proposed offset mechanism was not given more consideration by the Commission. Since St. Joseph did not request a rehearing, the Commission will make no findings as to the response.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The applications for rehearing filed by Home Builders of St. Louis and Eastern Missouri, Midwest Energy Consumers Group, and the Office of the Public Counsel are denied.
2. The Motion for Reconsideration filed by The Empire District Electric Company is denied.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Hall, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and
Silvey, CC., concur.

Burton, Senior Regulation Law Judge

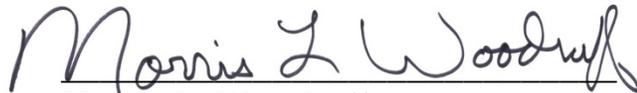
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OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 20th day of June 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M" and "W".

**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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