

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of a Working Case to)
Investigate Solutions to Problems Facing) File No. WW-2009-0386
Small Water and Sewer Public Utilities)

**POSITION OF MISSOURI-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY
REGARDING PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ASSESSMENT**

COMES NOW Missouri-American Water Company (“MAWC”) and at the invitation of the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“PSC” or “Commission”) files the following as its position on the issue of the annual PSC assessment (the “Assessment”):

POSITION

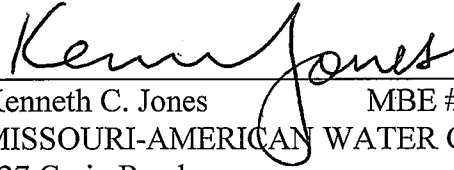
1. MAWC is a “water corporation,” a “sewer corporation” and a “public utility” as those terms are defined in Section 386.020 RSMo 2000, and is subject to the jurisdiction and supervision of the Commission as provided by law. MAWC currently provides sewer service to approximately 1,100 customers in Jefferson, Platte, and Warren Counties, Missouri. MAWC currently provides water service to approximately 452,000 customers in and around the cities of St. Joseph, Joplin, Brunswick, Mexico, Warrensburg, Parkville, Riverside, Jefferson City, and parts of St. Charles and Platte Counties Missouri, and almost all of St. Louis County, Missouri.

2. MAWC has participated in the above-referenced working case and has attended roundtable discussions organized by Staff.

3. MAWC understands that a group of small water and sewer public utilities will file a position statement in which they recommend, among other things, that a surcharge be placed on customer bills as a pass-through for the Assessment.

4. It is MAWC’s position that if the Commission approves the request of the small utilities for an Assessment surcharge on customer bills, this option should be available to all water and sewer public utilities, not only to small water and sewer public utilities.

Respectfully submitted,



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