

STAFF OF THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

WHO WE ARE

Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission is an independent body of professional engineers, accountants, financial analysts, economists, consumer and management services specialists, and attorneys who evaluate utility requests and provide recommendations to the Commission regarding such requests, and participate as a party in proceedings before the Commission. Staff members have no connection with any Commission-regulated utility, and may not own utility stock or bonds, or have any other monetary interest in a regulated utility. Staff members also abide by rules that prevent them from having discussions with the Commissioners about issues during the rate case.

ACTIVITY DURING THE RATE CASE

Typically, a rate case process takes the eleven months allowed by law. Staff is continuing its review and examination of Missouri-American Water Company's (MAWC) \$102,915,538 per year (32.3%) rate increase request (combined for water and sewer service), which began with MAWC's filing on June 30, 2020. In determining its recommendations, Staff reviewed all of MAWC's filings, as well as filings made by all other parties to the case. Staff conducted an independent review of MAWC's books and records, conducted inspections, interviewed personnel, and obtained information and supporting documents from MAWC. When reviewing all of the information it obtained, Staff examined MAWC's historical costs, increases/decreases in MAWC's expenses, and determined what Staff believes are appropriate amounts for the company to recover in customer rates.

POSITION OF STAFF

Staff's current position is that an overall <u>decrease</u> of \$19,923,654 per year is warranted for MAWC. Specifically, Staff's position is that MAWC's water rates should be decreased by \$25,832,764 per year, and its sewer rates increased by \$5,909,110 per year. Staff's investigation is still ongoing, and its positions could change in the course of this case. Staff's recommended rates based upon its current position for residential customers are shown in the tables below.

	Existing Rates			Staff's Proposed Rates		
Water	Customer	Commodity	Example	Customer	Commodity	Example
	Charge	Charge*	Bill**	Charge	Charge*	Bill**
St. Louis Metro,	\$9	\$4.78	\$28.12	\$9.18	\$4.52	\$27.26
Monthly						
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Quarterly						
All other Missouri	\$9	\$6.25	\$34.00	\$12.88	\$4.71	\$31.72
Service Areas						
Flat Rate, customers	\$48.40	N.A.	\$48.40	\$36.46	N.A.	\$36.46
who do not yet have						
meters						

*Per thousand gallons used

**For a customer using 4,000 gallons per month

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	Existing Rates		Staff's Proposed Rates		
Sewer	Customer	Example	Customer	Example	
	Charge	Bill**	Charge	Bill**	
Arnold	\$32.64	\$32.64	\$30.61	\$30.61	
Lawson	\$7.95	\$7.95	\$54.71	\$54.71	
Pettis County, Fenton,	\$38.75	\$38.75	\$54.71	\$54.71	
Hickory Hills, Temple					
Terrace, Anna Meadows,					
Jaxson Estates, Timber					
Springs, and Clinton Estates					
All other Missouri Service	\$58.13	\$58.13	\$68.39	\$68.39	
Areas					

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