

## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio )  
 American Water Company to Increase its ) Case No. 07-1112-WS-AIR  
 Rates for Water and Sewer Services. )

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On November 13, 2007, Ohio American Water Company (Ohio-American or company) filed an application pursuant to Section 4909.18, Revised Code, to increase its rates for water and sewer services throughout the company's entire service area.
- (2) Pursuant to Section 4909.19, Revised Code, the staff of the Commission conducted an investigation of the facts, exhibits, and matters relating to the company's application, and filed its report on May 28, 2008. Copies of the staff report were mailed to the company, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, mayors of municipal corporations affected by the application, and other persons the Commission deemed to be interested in the case.
- (3) Pursuant to Section 4909.19, Revised Code, and Rule 4901-1-28(B), Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), all objections to the staff report must be filed within 30 days after the filing of such report, and all objections must be specific. Any objection that is not specific enough to convey what is actually being placed at issue will be struck pursuant to the above-cited rule. Each party filing objections shall also file, by June 27, 2008, a brief summary of the issues it designates as major issues, in order of their importance, for purposes of the notice required by Section 4903.083, Revised Code. Pursuant to Rule 4901-1-29(A)(1)(b), O.A.C., parties other than staff should file direct expert testimony by June 27, 2008.
- (4) Motions to intervene and strike objections shall be filed by July 7, 2008, and memoranda contra motions to intervene or strike objections shall be filed by July 14, 2008. Unless an objection is struck or withdrawn, each objection must be discussed in the initial post-hearing brief of the objecting party. If an objection is not discussed in the initial brief, the objection will, without further action, be deemed withdrawn.

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- (5) A prehearing conference will be held on June 30, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., Room 11-F, at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. The purpose of the conference will be to discuss procedural aspects of the case and to provide an opportunity for the parties to conduct settlement discussions. The evidentiary and local public hearings and publication of notice will be scheduled by subsequent entry.

It is, therefore,

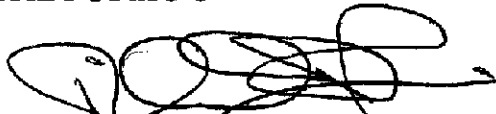
ORDERED, That a prehearing conference be scheduled for June 30, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission. It is, further,

ORDERED, That all objections to the staff report, summary of the issues, and direct expert testimony be filed by June 27, 2008. It is, further,

ORDERED, That motions to intervene and strike objections to the staff report be filed by July 7, 2008; and memoranda contra be filed by July 14, 2008. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO




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Renee J. Jenkins  
Secretary