

ORDER NO. 88760

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
 OF MARYLAND-AMERICAN WATER
 COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO
 ADJUST ITS EXISTING SCHEDULE OF
 TARIFFS AND RATES.

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BEFORE THE
 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
 OF MARYLAND

 CASE NO. 9487

Issue Date: June 29, 2018

On June 28, 2018, Maryland-American Water Company (“MAWC” or “Company”) filed an application with the Maryland Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for authority to adjust its existing schedule of tariffs and rates (“Application”). In its Application, MAWC indicates that the necessity for the revenue increase arises from the Company’s request for a new rate base of \$27.9 million, which includes \$15.4 million of essential utility plant additions, need to provide a reliable and sustainable source of supply for the Bel Air Community. The Company also filed supporting testimony, exhibits, and related tariff revisions. The proposed rates are designed to produce additional annual revenues of \$1,837,668. MAWC requests that the proposed rate increase become effective on July 28, 2018.

Pursuant to Public Utilities Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, § 4-204 the Commission concludes that all of the proposed rates and charges should be suspended for a period of 150 days from July 28, 2018. The suspension period is necessary to provide the Commission with an opportunity to determine the justness and reasonableness of the proposed rates and charges.

IT IS, THEREFORE, this 29th day of June in the year Two Thousand Eighteen,
by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

ORDERED: (1) That proceedings as to the justness and reasonableness of the rates proposed by Maryland-American Water Company are instituted by the Commission;

(2) That the proposed rates filed by Maryland-American Water Company on June 28, 2018, are suspended for a period of 150 days from July 28, 2018; and

(3) That this matter is delegated to the Public Utility Law Judge Division

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Terry J. Romine

Terry J. Romine
Executive Secretary