

1 REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

2 OF

3 EDWARD L. SPITZNAGEL, JR.
45 1. Q. Please state your name, business address, and employer.
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7 A. My name is Edward L. Spitznagel, Jr., and my
8 business address is Campus Box 1146, One
9 Brookings Drive, St Louis, Missouri 63130. I am
10 employed by Washington University.
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12 2. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?
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14 A. I am offering rebuttal to the testimony of Charles W. King,
15 Michael Gorman, and Terry Buckner criticizing my weather
16 normalization of Chattanooga water consumption.
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18 3. Q. How do you respond to Charles King's statements that your
19 normalized estimates September 2008 through August 2009 (the
20 attrition year) represent a decrease from 2007 of 2.3 percent in
21 residential consumption and a decrease of 1.4 percent in
22 commercial consumption¹?
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24 A. There are two ways in which these percentages are misleading.

¹ Direct Testimony of C. King at 13.

1 First, the weather normalized consumption for the attrition year
2 is compared with the actual consumption in the year 2007. In
3 terms of the Palmer Drought Severity Index, the year 2007 was
4 extremely dry; as can be seen from Appendix A, it had the fourth
5 lowest PDSI averaged over all 12 months and the third lowest PDSI
6 averaged over the months May through December. This is over the
7 113 years, 1895-2007, for which NOAA has reported the Palmer
8 Drought Severity Index. Naturally, water consumption in 2007 was
9 elevated due to the extremely dry conditions. This apples-and-
10 oranges comparison of my weather normalized consumption estimate
11 with actual usage in an extremely dry year greatly exaggerates
12 the percentage decrease.

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14 The second way in which the percentages are misleading is that
15 they compare the calendar year 2007 with the attrition year
16 September 2008 through August 2009. This represents a time shift
17 of one and two-thirds years rather than a single year, which is
18 what I use as explained below. This further inflates Charles
19 King's percentage changes.

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21 4. Q. What are the annual decreases in consumption based on your
22 normalized estimates?

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24 A. Based on Appendix C of my original testimony, the annual percent
25 decrease in normalized consumption from 2007 to 2008 is 1.43%
26 $(100(1 - 143.05/145.13))$ for the residential class and it is

1 0.85% ($100(1 - 1034.82/1043.66)$) for the commercial class. Both
2 of these are much lower than the percent changes calculated by
3 Charles King.

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5 5. Q. Do you agree with the statement in Mr. King's testimony that you
6 explored various alternatives with "limited success"²?

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8 A. No. The described model simply emerged as the best method for
9 estimating water consumption, thus the alternatives, although
10 adequate, were not utilized.

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12 6. Q. How do you respond to Mr. King's assertion that your models
13 contain "a term to represent 'secular' trend"³?

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15 A. The word "secular" did not appear in my testimony and therefore
16 should not be attributed to me. Mr. King defines "secular trend"
17 as "the trend in overall consumption independent of weather."⁴ A
18 trend can emerge as frequently as monthly, which is why my models
19 are done month-by-month. This accommodate a different change,
20 either up or down, over time for each month and each customer
21 class. This result is supported by the extensive research done
22 for Kentucky American Water Company as mandated by the PSC of the
23 Commonwealth of Kentucky for their 1997 rate case. As explained
24 in my direct testimony, that research involved screening a large

² Direct Testimony of C. King at 13.

³ Direct Testimony of C. King at 14.

⁴ Id.

1 number of candidate predictors by examining data from sixteen
2 different operating companies in five states, including
3 Tennessee. Any trend down (or up) on an annual basis is simply a
4 consequence of the monthly projections.

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6 7. Q. Charles King states that you do "not discuss population growth,
7 commercial changes, or other demographic or economic shifts that
8 may be significant over the period"⁵. How do you respond to this
9 statement?

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11 A. While other factors may be present, they are generally difficult
12 to measure on an annual basis, in order to be incorporated into
13 a model. Instead, all factors impacting usage are captured
14 over time in the historical data. One thing I always check,
15 though, is whether there has been an acquisition of one or more
16 smaller companies. (This happened recently both in St. Louis
17 County and in Lexington, Kentucky.) In such cases, I request
18 that the water company give me their data with the newly
19 acquired customer base removed. I find it more statistically
20 accurate to do the normalization on the continuing customers
21 alone because inclusion of a new customer base, absent the
22 relevant historical data for that new customer base, would
23 disturb the patterns and trends established by the
24 historical community usage.

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⁵ Id.

1 8. Q. Mr. King argues that "the individual model results do not follow
2 an orderly pattern that reflects normal monthly temperature
3 variations"⁶. He specifically refers to his schedules 4 and 5
4 for the 2006 estimates. Should such a pattern be expected?

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6 A. No, not with respect to water consumption. Mr. King operates
7 under the assumption that annual patterns for temperature and
8 predicted consumption should be similar. As explained previously
9 in my direct testimony, I found that temperature was not a useful
10 predictor in the presence of other variables, such as drought and
11 year. For a utility like natural gas used for home heating, one
12 would certainly expect consumption to be tightly tied to
13 temperature. Based on the setting of the thermostat, consumption
14 should be very predictable. With water, however, consumption
15 during the winter months would be expected to remain relatively
16 constant. The reason is that in temperate climates such as
17 Chattanooga, most outside water usage stops when the minimum
18 daily temperature (or low temperature) drops below freezing.
19 Given normal billing lag, one would expect to see
20 approximately the same daily consumption billed in the months
21 of January through April. That is why my models for those
22 months do not include the Palmer Drought Severity Index.

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24 All of the differences noted by Charles King are consistent with
25 natural statistical fluctuation in the estimates. This is

⁶ Direct Testimony of C. King at 14.

1 illustrated by the inclusion of 95% confidence intervals with
2 respect to the 2006 point estimates in Appendix B. "95%
3 confidence intervals" is a statistical term used to express a 95
4 percent degree of certainty as to the accuracy of an estimate.
5 The two months he considers to be exceptional, January and
6 August, have confidence intervals that substantially overlap
7 those of the neighboring months, which indicates that the
8 estimates for these months actually fall within the same range.

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10 9. Q. Mr. King states that "the secular trend factors display a peculiar
11 seasonal effect"⁷. Would you agree with this statement, and is it
12 a defect in your models?

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14 A. As explained in my response to Question 8, most, if not all, of
15 what he notices is natural statistical fluctuation in the
16 estimates. This is illustrated by the 95% confidence intervals
17 drawn around the actual estimates in Appendix C.

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19 However, I know of other water utilities that experience trends
20 opposite from those noted in this case between the months of
21 January through April and the months of May through December. What
22 characterizes these utilities' customer bases is that there are a
23 fairly large number of new houses being built in new subdivisions.
24 These houses tend to have larger lawns, which increases the per-
25 customer amount of water used in the weather-sensitive months.

⁷ Direct Testimony of C. King at 15.

1 However, in the weather-insensitive months, the water-conserving
2 fixtures and appliances in these new houses cause the per-customer
3 amount of water used to decrease.

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6 10. Q. Is it possible to visualize the net decrease in per-customer
7 consumption over all years for which you have data?

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9 A. Yes. If we omit weather normalization, we can graph Chattanooga
10 consumption from 1994 through 2007, for a total of fourteen
11 years, as seen in Appendix D. Both residential and commercial
12 consumption show downward trends. Because the higher consumption
13 in 2007 is not adjusted for weather, the downward trends,
14 particularly for residential customers, are not quite as large as
15 in the weather-normalized estimates from my original testimony.
16 Since weather normalization is an important aspect of estimation,
17 I recommend using my original estimates, but considering the
18 results in Appendix D as being corroborative of those original
19 estimates.

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22 11. Q. Michael Gorman recommends using 150.5 gallons per customer day for
23 the residential class and 1055 gallons per customer day for the
24 commercial class⁸. Why do his estimates differ so much from your
25 respective estimates of 141.81 GCD and 1029.41 GCD?

⁸ Direct Testimony of M. Gorman at 20-21.

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2 A. Michael Gorman considers actual usage based on ten, five and
3 three-year averages and includes the year 2007 in each average.
4 This does not take into account the extremely dry weather
5 experienced in 2007. Weather normalization attempts to predict
6 consumption under normal weather. His residential estimate of
7 150.5 GCD is virtually the same as his three-year average of
8 150.7 GCD. Thus, he tacitly assumes that 2007 was a normal year,
9 whereas it was the third or fourth driest year on record, as seen
10 in my Appendix A, Page 1. Appendix D, Page 1 shows the large
11 increase in residential consumption in 2007 as compared with 2005
12 and 2006. For corroborative purposes, the trend line in Appendix
13 D, Page 1, is at odds with his estimate for the test period
14 September 2008. Similarly, his estimate of 1055 GCD for the
15 commercial class is slightly less than his five-year average of
16 1061.2 GCD. This average is also high due to the very dry year
17 2007. Furthermore, the test year is more than three years beyond
18 the midpoint of his five years, and the trend line in Appendix D,
19 Page 2, shows a downward trend of 8.43 GCD per year. Following
20 this downward trend for three years would project an estimate of
21 1035.91 ($1061.2 - 3 \times 8.43$). This is much closer to my estimate of
22 1029.41, even without being concerned about the trend slope being
23 pulled upwards by the year 2007. The trend line in Appendix D,
24 Page 2, is much more consistent with my estimate of 1029.41 than
25 his estimate of 1055.
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1 12. Q. What are Terry Buckner's criticisms of your testimony concerning
2 weather normalization?

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4 A. Mr. Buckner asserts that the "month of the year" model "does not
5 stand the test of reasonableness"⁹. He further states that "the
6 WNA reduction in revenues projected by TAWC in last year's rate
7 case (TRA Docket #06-00290) did not occur."

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9 13. Q. How do you respond to these criticisms?

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11 A. A "test of reasonableness" inherently relies upon making
12 assumptions based on appearance and conjecture. The statistical
13 model that I employ is more reliable than a "test of
14 reasonableness". As described in Questions 8 and 9 above, the
15 apparent inconsistencies that Mr. King and Mr. Buckner criticize
16 are insignificant once the 95% confidence intervals are taken
17 into account. To summarize those points, the 95% confidence
18 intervals for both types of estimates, consumption and trend,
19 show no unexpected pattern.

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21 With regard to the claim that the projected reduction in revenue
22 in the last case did not occur, that is beside the point. The
23 projection was for thirty-year average weather. That is the
24 definition of the weather-normalized estimate. A weather-
25 normalized estimate is not a projection of what would happen if

⁹ Direct Testimony of T. Buckner at 5-6.

1 conditions should turn out to be very dry or very moist. If the
2 utility and the TRA adhere to weather-normalized estimates, the
3 utility should average a fair rate of return over the years,
4 fluctuating high in some years and low in other years. However,
5 projecting consumption on the basis of one the driest years on
6 record will, by definition, result in an over-projection of
7 consumption, a reduction in revenues to the detriment if the
8 utility, and a statistically invalid outcome.

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10 14. Q. Has the model you use been relied upon in past rate proceedings?

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12 A. Yes. For instance, the TRA has accepted my model in each case
13 since 2003 and the Public Service Commission of Kentucky has
14 used my model in setting rates since 1996.

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16 15. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

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18 A. Yes, it does.

Palmer Drought Severity Index, 1895-2007

Sorted from Driest to Wettest

Year	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Yearly Average	May-Dec Average	Yearly Average	Year	Yearly Average	May-Dec Average
2007	-1.27	-2.13	-2.89	-2.34	-3.05	-3.07	-2.67	-3.91	-4.25	-4.32	-4.38	-4.46	-3.2283	-3.7638	-3.7842	1986	-3.7842	-4.0200
2006	-1.05	-1.56	-2.12	1.02	0.92	0.85	0.39	0.67	1.82	2.58	2.51	-0.80	0.4358	1.1175	-3.6892	1941	-3.6892	-3.8038
2005	3.90	3.35	2.62	3.02	2.53	2.33	2.85	2.63	-0.48	-1.06	-1.00	-1.18	1.6258	0.8275	-3.6775	2007	-3.6775	-3.7638
2004	3.90	3.52	3.00	2.48	2.18	3.06	3.03	2.93	4.29	4.12	4.71	4.84	3.5050	3.6450	-3.2283	1914	-3.2283	-3.6313
2003	1.47	3.02	1.72	2.57	4.13	4.38	4.94	5.36	5.93	5.02	5.35	4.77	4.0550	4.9850	-3.1300	1954	-3.1300	-3.5463
2002	-0.03	-1.01	0.86	-0.96	-0.56	-1.11	-1.25	-1.83	0.71	1.20	1.99	2.27	0.0233	0.1775	-2.7975	1987	-2.7975	-3.1813
2001	-1.87	-1.18	-1.49	-2.11	-0.03	0.27	1.06	1.18	1.56	-0.34	-0.96	-0.94	-0.4042	0.2250	-2.7425	1987	-2.7425	-3.1075
2000	-2.10	-2.46	-2.57	-1.28	-1.35	-1.01	-1.14	-1.32	-1.18	-2.17	-1.83	-2.07	-1.7067	-1.5088	-2.6942	1925	-2.6942	-3.1050
1999	1.10	0.74	0.52	0.21	0.32	1.11	1.50	-0.79	-1.32	-1.38	-1.68	-2.42	-0.1742	-0.5825	-2.6442	1931	-2.6442	-2.7825
1998	1.70	1.22	0.96	3.37	2.92	3.93	-0.30	-0.84	-1.71	-2.32	-2.91	0.54	0.5467	-0.0863	-2.6008	1952	-2.6008	-2.6438
1997	3.06	2.73	2.94	3.16	3.53	4.17	3.48	2.61	2.80	2.68	2.26	1.68	2.9250	2.9013	-2.5742	1904	-2.5742	-2.4350
1996	1.82	1.25	1.32	1.45	1.68	1.48	1.78	2.04	2.60	2.05	3.04	3.09	1.9667	2.2200	-2.5383	1931	-2.5383	-2.2413
1995	-0.36	-0.25	-0.67	-1.41	-0.55	-0.04	-1.02	-1.42	0.08	0.53	1.45	0.87	-0.2325	-0.0125	-2.3150	1955	-2.3150	-2.1325
1994	1.19	2.23	3.82	4.51	3.93	4.57	4.75	4.82	4.26	4.06	-0.18	-0.87	3.0908	3.1675	-2.2883	1940	-2.2883	-2.1050
1993	-0.27	-0.70	0.65	-0.03	-0.08	-0.71	-1.79	-1.53	-1.30	-1.45	-1.56	0.66	-0.6758	-0.9700	-2.0275	1988	-2.0275	-2.0650
1992	-0.36	-0.72	-0.85	-1.40	0.12	0.95	1.08	1.60	1.84	2.06	2.40	2.81	0.7775	1.5825	-1.8917	1985	-1.8917	-2.0375
1991	2.17	2.59	2.95	2.60	2.02	2.45	1.99	2.23	2.03	1.09	1.09	2.49	2.1417	1.9238	-1.8208	1989	-1.8208	-1.8438
1990	3.55	3.93	3.63	2.87	3.37	2.47	2.21	2.17	1.89	2.53	1.91	3.10	2.8025	2.4563	-1.7067	1913	-1.7067	-1.8075
1989	0.40	0.89	0.54	0.24	1.05	2.94	2.81	2.78	4.33	4.11	4.40	3.69	2.3483	3.2638	-1.2667	1939	-1.2667	-1.7650
1988	-3.82	-3.99	-4.39	-4.19	-4.15	-4.76	-4.45	-4.26	0.27	0.18	0.49	0.16	-2.7425	-2.0650	-1.2300	1902	-1.2300	-1.7613
1987	-2.35	-1.90	-2.42	-2.04	-2.24	-2.13	-2.68	-3.36	-2.97	-3.38	-3.97	-4.13	-2.7975	-3.1075	-1.2158	1980	-1.2158	-1.7250
1986	-2.85	-2.73	-3.45	-4.22	-4.11	-4.68	-5.14	-4.66	-4.22	-3.58	-3.07	-2.70	-3.7842	-4.0200	-1.1017	1936	-1.1017	-1.7225
1985	-1.63	-1.36	-2.32	-2.72	-2.91	-2.23	-2.36	-1.38	-1.94	-1.88	-1.48	-2.12	-2.0275	-2.0375	-1.0492	2000	-1.0492	-1.5088
1984	-0.60	-0.53	-0.78	0.20	2.07	1.69	2.81	-0.36	-0.92	-0.84	-0.68	-1.39	0.0558	0.2975	-1.0142	1905	-1.0142	-1.5000
1983	-0.74	-0.98	-1.72	1.10	1.98	-0.16	-0.93	-1.34	-1.80	-1.68	0.31	0.92	-0.4200	-0.3375	-1.0033	1947	-1.0033	-1.4963
1982	1.63	1.96	1.46	1.19	0.78	0.74	1.05	1.57	1.76	1.79	2.55	2.62	1.5917	1.6075	-0.9592	1968	-0.9592	-1.4163
1981	-3.50	-3.16	-3.37	0.06	0.32	0.63	0.37	0.36	0.72	1.11	0.99	0.94	-0.3775	0.6800	-0.9083	1944	-0.9083	-1.0688
1980	-0.40	-1.21	1.47	1.35	-0.11	-0.83	-1.62	-2.10	-1.99	-2.13	-2.14	-2.88	-1.0492	-1.7250	-0.8125	1911	-0.8125	-1.0550
1979	1.20	1.15	0.83	1.29	2.07	1.98	3.27	2.95	3.42	3.19	3.81	-0.69	2.0392	2.5000	-0.7892	1921	-0.7892	-1.0075
1978	3.12	-1.16	-1.13	-1.22	-0.68	-0.36	-0.65	-0.09	-0.69	-1.29	-1.44	0.53	-0.4217	-0.5838	-0.7858	1993	-0.7858	-0.9700
1977	-0.57	-1.42	0.24	1.28	0.56	1.38	-0.70	0.34	1.91	2.72	3.62	3.09	1.0375	1.6150	-0.7375	1903	-0.7375	-0.9300
1976	-0.02	-0.75	-0.80	-1.99	0.73	1.44	-0.38	-0.65	0.37	1.40	-0.05	0.15	-0.0458	0.3763	-0.6975	1965	-0.6975	-0.8575
1975	2.42	2.26	4.18	3.23	2.97	2.92	2.08	1.54	2.38	2.68	-0.02	-0.04	2.2167	1.8138	-0.6758	1895	-0.6758	-0.7825
1974	4.66	4.42	3.99	3.92	4.86	4.21	3.07	2.89	2.84	2.36	2.39	2.51	3.5100	3.1413	-0.5625	1956	-0.5625	-0.7325
1973	3.06	2.22	3.43	3.59	4.59	4.54	4.10	3.59	3.29	2.97	3.66	4.13	3.5975	3.8588	-0.5558	1897	-0.5558	-0.6850
1972	1.48	1.43	1.28	1.18	1.65	1.95	2.27	1.56	2.16	3.13	3.21	3.77	2.0892	2.4625	-0.5533	1908	-0.5533	-0.6675
1971	0.26	0.48	0.41	0.27	0.64	0.60	1.71	1.35	1.33	1.27	0.79	0.84	0.8292	1.0663	-0.5467	1943	-0.5467	-0.6663
1970	-0.50	-0.87	-1.36	1.14	-0.80	-0.58	-1.30	0.36	0.04	0.44	-0.50	-0.58	-0.3758	-0.3650	-0.5100	1969	-0.5100	-0.5838
1969	-2.13	-1.50	-1.81	-2.06	-2.46	0.56	0.39	0.52	0.77	0.36	0.12	1.12	-0.5100	0.1725	-0.5000	1958	-0.5000	-0.5825

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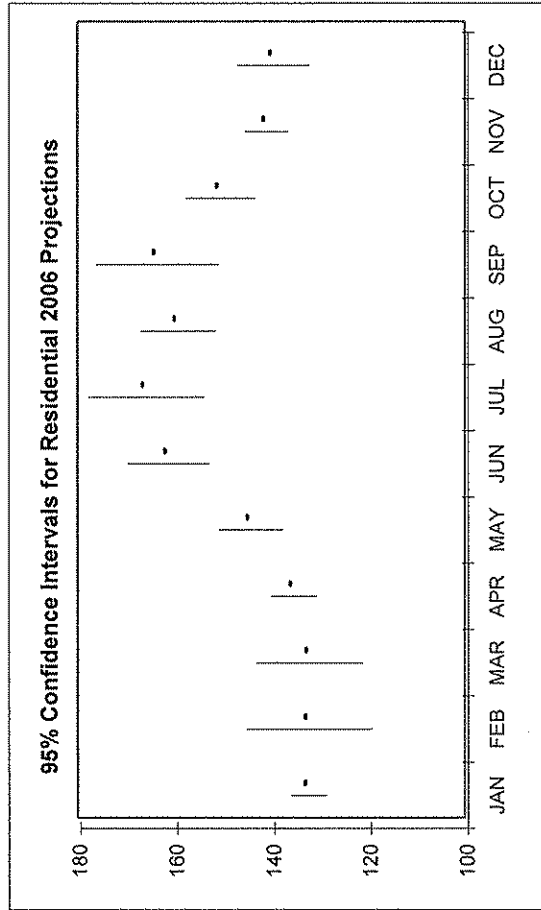
Year	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Yearly Average	May-Dec Average	Yearly Average	Year	May-Dec Average
1968	0.02	-1.20	-1.27	-0.81	-0.63	-0.68	-0.93	-1.54	-1.75	-1.63	-2.01	-2.16	-1.2158	-1.4163	-0.4775	1895	-0.5725
1967	-0.79	-0.67	-1.21	-1.65	0.98	1.01	2.84	3.08	3.00	2.96	3.33	3.78	1.3883	2.6225	-0.4575	1903	-0.5613
1966	-2.53	-1.98	-2.52	0.47	-0.14	-0.60	0.10	1.16	1.93	2.67	2.94	-0.26	0.1033	0.9750	-0.4417	1944	-0.5438
1965	-0.38	-0.63	1.24	-0.04	-0.54	-0.33	-0.26	-0.52	-0.55	-0.85	-1.31	-2.50	-0.5558	-0.8575	-0.4217	1978	-0.5288
1964	0.11	0.18	0.70	1.67	-0.49	-1.27	-1.23	0.77	0.56	1.27	-0.11	-0.17	0.1658	-0.0838	-0.4200	1935	-0.4750
1963	-0.36	-0.84	1.66	1.22	1.18	1.48	1.91	-0.33	-0.71	-1.81	-1.39	-1.76	0.0208	-0.1788	-0.4042	1926	-0.4425
1962	2.75	3.42	-0.05	0.14	-1.00	-0.46	-0.39	-1.01	0.69	0.58	1.02	-0.13	0.4633	-0.0875	-0.3775	1981	-0.3650
1961	-1.04	0.84	0.87	0.84	0.91	1.56	1.44	1.67	0.86	0.86	0.65	2.38	0.9867	1.2913	-0.3758	1896	-0.3550
1960	-0.39	-0.66	-0.46	-1.25	-1.55	0.45	0.22	0.61	0.67	1.13	-0.19	-0.48	-0.1583	0.1075	-0.3367	1910	-0.3525
1959	-1.71	-1.87	-1.92	-1.34	-1.44	-1.65	-1.85	-1.63	-1.85	0.69	1.23	1.17	-1.0142	-0.6663	-0.3358	1956	-0.3375
1958	-0.66	-0.79	-1.09	0.89	0.93	-0.35	-0.10	-0.05	-0.40	-1.06	-1.47	-1.85	-0.5000	-0.5438	-0.2925	1937	-0.2588
1957	1.43	2.09	-0.92	-0.62	-0.97	-0.23	-1.29	-1.64	1.46	1.62	3.08	3.07	0.5900	0.6375	-0.2883	1935	-0.1788
1956	-2.63	1.29	1.14	2.03	-0.42	-0.76	-0.54	-0.96	-0.78	-1.11	-1.59	0.30	-0.3358	-0.7325	-0.2583	1898	-0.0900
1955	-3.83	-2.94	-1.93	-1.70	-1.83	-1.63	-1.81	-2.17	-2.51	-2.41	-2.25	-2.45	-2.2883	-2.1325	-0.2500	1962	-0.0875
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1948	-1.89	1.04	1.17	-0.60	-0.98	-1.29	-1.08	-1.05	-1.34	-1.62	2.16	2.38	-0.2583	-0.3525	-0.0508	1922	0.0963
1947	1.65	-0.53	-0.84	-1.53	-1.68	-1.25	-1.32	-1.15	-1.42	-1.78	-1.45	-1.92	-1.1017	-1.4963	-0.0458	1960	0.1075
1946	2.05	2.03	-0.66	-0.73	-0.22	-0.37	-0.60	-0.71	-0.58	-0.40	-0.67	-0.68	-0.1283	-0.5288	-0.0458	1918	0.1575
1945	-1.03	-0.20	-0.99	-0.96	0.47	0.64	0.88	0.94	0.64	0.71	0.77	1.17	0.2533	0.7775	-0.0017	1969	0.1725
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1943	-0.53	-0.77	-0.35	-0.42	-0.89	-1.06	0.72	-0.63	-0.24	-0.26	-0.83	-1.30	-0.5467	-0.5613	0.0233	2002	0.1775
1942	-4.37	-4.18	-3.85	-4.74	0.06	0.18	1.03	2.49	2.64	2.45	1.74	3.04	-0.2925	1.7038	0.0542	2001	0.2250
1941	-2.90	-3.75	-3.55	-3.64	-4.50	-4.26	-2.87	-2.95	-3.54	-3.77	-4.10	-4.44	-3.6892	-3.8038	0.0558	1918	0.2325
1940	-4.02	-3.72	-3.48	-3.15	-3.21	-2.60	-2.07	-1.15	-1.67	-1.65	-2.04	-2.45	-2.6008	-2.1050	0.0567	1938	0.2950
1939	-1.21	1.24	-0.30	-0.37	-0.93	-0.77	-0.69	-0.83	-1.64	-2.46	-3.20	-3.60	-1.2300	-1.7650	0.0700	1984	0.2975
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1937	1.62	1.52	-0.94	-0.74	-0.84	-1.08	-1.12	0.71	0.35	1.32	-0.58	-0.83	-0.0508	-0.2588	0.1658	1976	0.3763
1936	1.34	1.38	1.93	2.38	-1.07	-2.22	-1.90	-2.21	-2.26	-1.90	-2.49	0.27	-0.5625	-1.7225	0.2225	1909	0.4100
1935	-0.78	-0.81	0.75	1.18	1.24	1.20	-0.16	-0.43	-1.35	-1.58	-1.02	-1.70	-0.2883	-0.4750	0.2533	1920	0.5888
1934	-2.65	-2.67	1.22	0.90	0.53	0.59	0.73	1.54	1.40	1.74	-0.07	-0.59	0.2225	0.7338	0.3017	1957	0.6375
1933	1.87	2.32	-0.31	-0.45	0.46	-0.68	0.11	0.96	-0.48	-1.27	-2.01	-2.43	-0.1592	-0.6675	0.3183	1981	0.6800
1932	1.04	1.48	1.63	1.62	1.20	1.87	-0.64	-0.84	-1.27	1.18	1.42	2.69	0.9483	0.7013	0.3233	1932	0.7013
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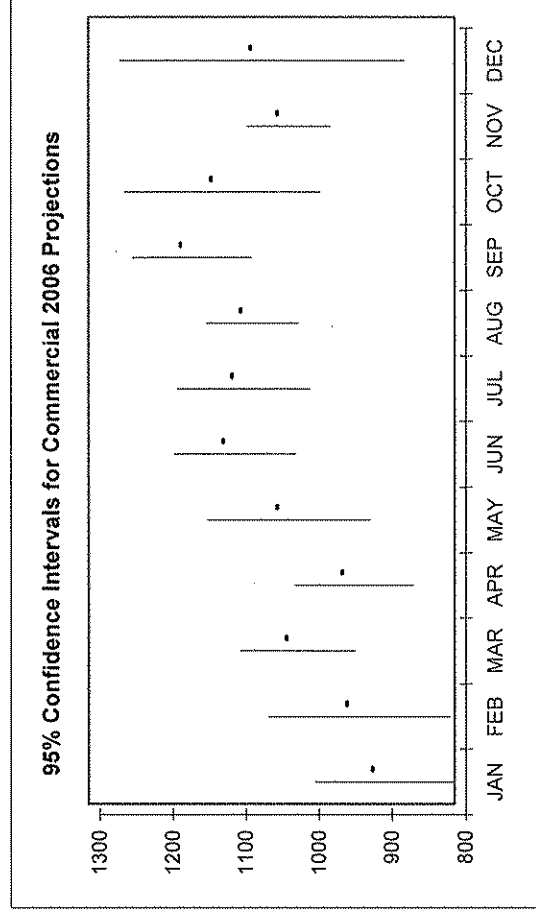
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Year	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Yearly Average	May-Dec Average	Yearly Average	Year	May-Dec Average
1929	1.17	1.44	2.01	1.54	2.81	3.06	2.70	2.07	2.77	3.05	4.03	-0.55	2.1750	2.4925	0.4633	2005	0.8275
1928	-0.95	-1.55	-1.56	0.77	1.24	3.27	2.56	2.73	2.83	3.14	2.78	1.52	1.3983	2.5088	0.4958	1920	0.9750
1927	1.08	1.03	1.43	1.57	1.61	1.90	-0.35	-0.16	-0.68	-0.85	-0.94	-0.34	0.4417	0.0237	0.5075	1971	1.0663
1926	-2.73	-2.95	-2.94	-3.04	-3.26	-2.69	-2.82	0.79	0.66	0.32	0.97	2.49	-1.2667	-0.4425	0.5467	1906	1.0975
1925	-1.04	-1.13	-1.78	-2.10	-2.22	-2.46	-3.17	-3.93	-4.54	-3.07	-2.53	-2.92	-2.5742	-3.1050	0.5900	1907	1.1163
1924	0.47	0.56	-0.53	0.41	1.39	1.39	-0.13	-0.68	0.82	-0.71	-1.44	-0.90	0.0542	-0.0325	0.7692	2006	1.1175
1923	0.52	0.36	1.15	1.42	1.69	1.58	1.26	1.67	-0.40	-0.79	-0.95	-1.42	0.5075	0.3300	0.7775	1917	1.2138
1922	0.33	0.16	1.33	1.03	1.14	1.18	1.35	-0.06	-0.57	-1.12	-1.86	0.71	0.3017	0.0963	0.8292	1961	1.2913
1921	-0.48	-0.07	-0.42	-0.40	-0.59	-1.16	-1.20	-0.95	-0.91	-1.07	-0.69	-1.49	-0.7858	-1.0075	0.9483	1951	1.3300
1920	-0.69	0.04	0.25	1.64	1.04	1.03	0.68	1.66	1.93	-0.76	-0.70	-0.17	0.4958	0.5888	0.9867	1915	1.3938
1919	0.37	-0.41	0.51	0.11	1.09	1.11	-0.36	-0.17	-0.89	-0.37	-0.30	-0.71	-0.0017	-0.0750	1.0375	1901	1.4500
1918	-0.18	-0.97	-2.03	0.77	0.63	0.64	-0.09	-0.60	0.47	1.22	-0.04	-0.37	-0.0458	0.2325	1.3883	1992	1.5825
1917	1.75	1.23	2.71	2.03	1.85	2.06	2.58	2.38	2.77	0.00	-0.62	-1.31	1.4525	1.2138	1.3983	1982	1.6075
1916	2.16	1.59	1.03	0.56	0.92	1.48	3.45	3.37	2.89	2.46	1.78	1.49	1.9317	2.2300	1.4525	1917	1.6150
1915	-2.06	-2.27	-2.68	-3.46	0.48	0.53	0.52	1.51	1.76	1.71	2.25	2.39	0.0667	1.3938	1.5050	1942	1.7038
1914	-4.05	-4.01	-3.77	-3.25	-3.75	-4.22	-4.28	-3.69	-3.51	-3.42	-3.64	-2.54	-3.6775	-3.6313	1.5475	1975	1.8138
1913	1.58	1.53	2.18	-0.58	-0.39	-0.49	-1.20	-1.84	-1.96	-2.04	-3.02	-3.52	-0.8125	-1.8075	1.5917	1991	1.9238
1912	0.12	0.11	0.56	1.85	1.94	2.19	2.49	2.23	2.32	1.80	1.16	1.29	1.5050	1.9275	1.6258	2005	1.9275
1911	-1.22	-1.53	-1.80	1.48	-0.96	-1.38	-1.54	-1.38	-1.84	-1.96	0.09	0.53	-0.9592	-1.0550	1.9317	1949	2.1550
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1908	-0.39	-0.34	-0.59	-0.74	-0.86	-0.67	-0.68	-0.09	-0.45	-0.62	-0.78	-0.43	-0.5533	-0.5725	2.0858	1990	2.4563
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1901	-0.58	-1.39	-1.57	1.17	1.78	1.68	-1.04	1.89	2.31	1.76	1.08	2.14	0.7692	1.4500	2.8025	1950	2.9263
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1899	-0.77	1.05	2.43	0.00	-0.33	-0.91	-1.09	-1.70	-2.31	-2.49	-3.05	-2.87	-1.0033	-1.8438	3.0908	1994	3.1675
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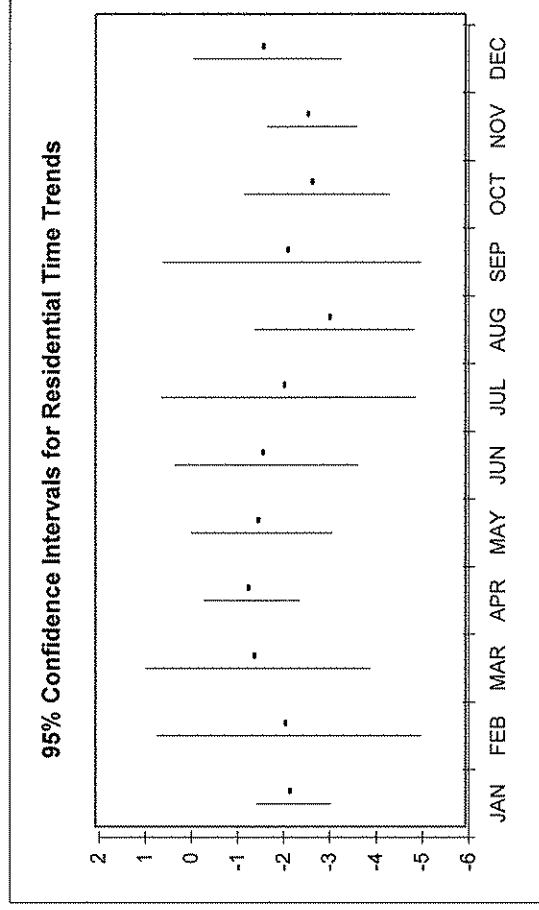
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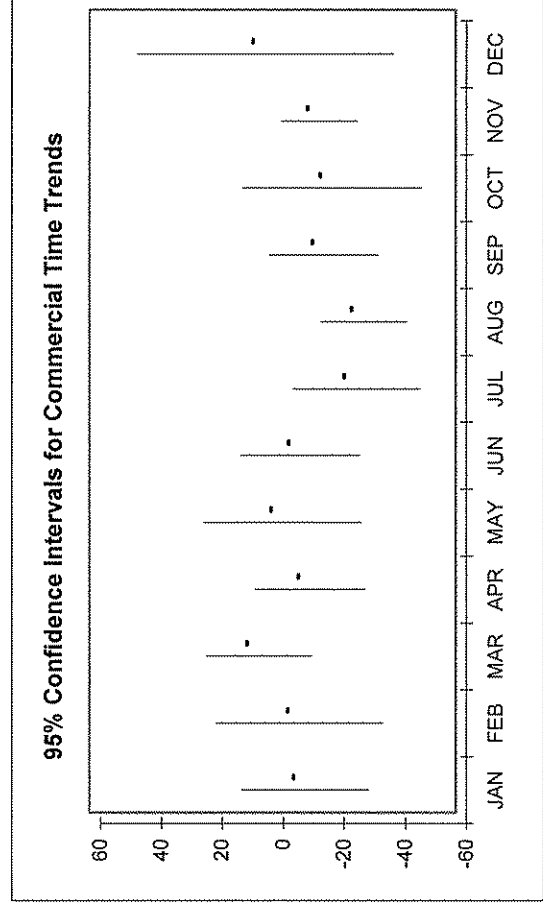
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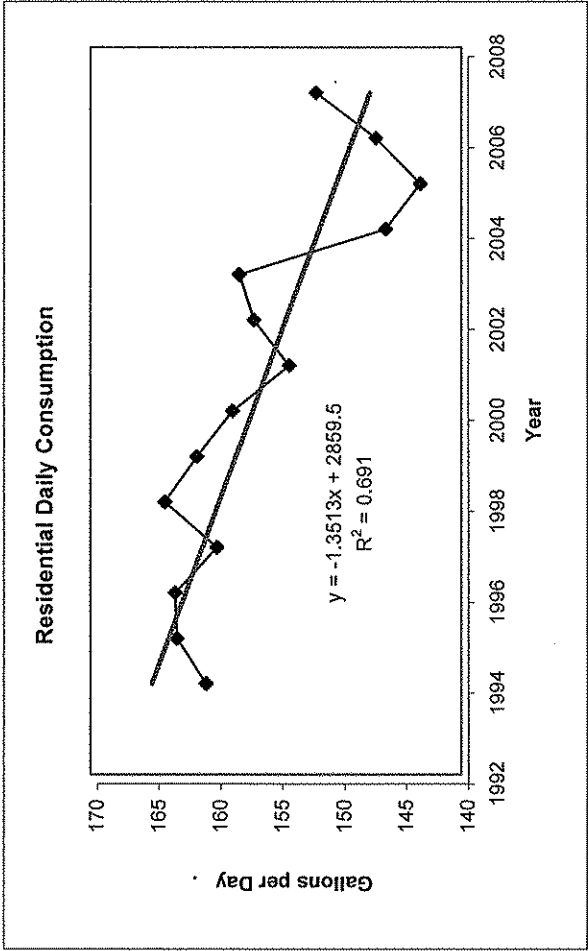


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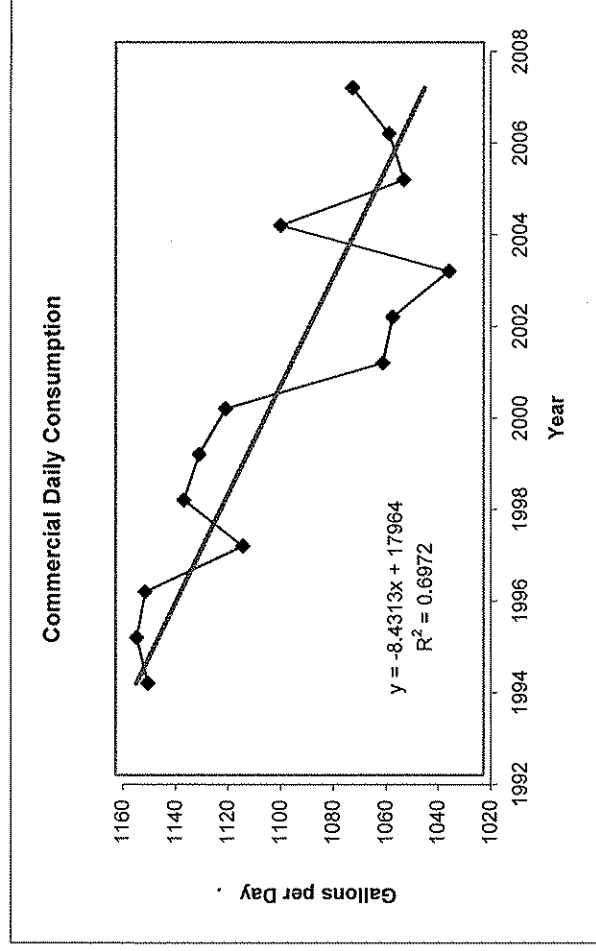
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Year	Gallons per Day
1994	160.63
1995	162.98
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1997	159.74
1998	163.93
1999	161.36
2000	158.47
2001	153.86
2002	156.75
2003	157.95
2004	146.11
2005	143.30
2006	146.90
2007	151.72



Commercial Daily Consumption by Year

Year	Gallons per Day
1994	1147.85
1995	1152.05
1996	1148.87
1997	1111.75
1998	1134.14
1999	1128.32
2000	1118.28
2001	1058.62
2002	1054.86
2003	1033.30
2004	1097.27
2005	1050.48
2006	1056.22
2007	1070.08



TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

STATE OF MISSOURI

COUNTY OF SAINT LOUIS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally came and appeared Dr. Edward L. Spitznagel, Jr., being by my first duly sworn deposed and said that:

He is appearing as a witness on behalf of Tennessee-American Water Company before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, and if present before the Authority and duly sworn, his testimony would set forth in the annexed transcript consisting of 15 pages.

Edward L. Spitznagel, Jr.
Dr. Edward L. Spitznagel, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This 12 day of August 2008.

Susan D. Imhoff
Notary Public

My commission expires August 12, 2011

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