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6 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
 7 OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY,
 8 A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, AND
 9 BLACK MOUNTAIN GAS, A SUBSIDIARY
 10 OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY,
 11 A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, TO
 12 DETERMINE EARNINGS FOR RATEMAKING
 PURPOSES, TO FIX A JUST AND
 REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN THEREON
 AND TO APPROVE RATE SCHEDULES
 DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH RETURN
 FOR THE CAVE CREEK DIVISION.

Docket No. G-03703A-00-0283

**STIPULATION BETWEEN PARTIES
TO VACATE HEARING**

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14 Black Mountain Gas Company, a subsidiary of NSP Cave Creek
 15 Operations ("Black Mountain"), Staff of the Arizona Corporation
 16 Commission (the "Commission") and the Residential Consumer
 17 Utility Office ("RUCO") agree and stipulate to vacate the hearing
 18 and other deadlines (e.g., rebuttal testimony, etc.) in the
 19 above-captioned matter, pending notification to the hearing
 20 officer of the need to reset this matter for hearing. The
 21 parties have undertaken settlement negotiations and, as a result,
 22 have reached a settlement agreement in principal. The parties
 23 will now begin drafting a formal written agreement. Upon
 24 finalization and execution of the agreement, the parties will
 25 notify the hearing officer so that he may set a new prehearing
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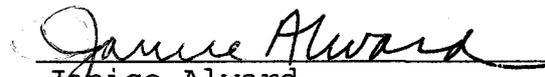
1 conference and hearing date if necessary on the settlement. The
2 parties believe an additional period of time for finalization of
3 a written settlement agreement is appropriate. This motion is
4 made by all the parties by agreement.

5 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 5th day of ~~December~~, ^{January} 2001.

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