

ORIGINAL
INTERVENTION



0000015231

BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

RECEIVED

2005 JAN -3 P 1:12

Arizona Corporation Commission

DOCKETED

JAN - 3 2005

AZ CORP COMMISSION
DOCUMENT CONTROL

DOCKETED BY	KV
-------------	----

- 1
- 2 MARC SPITZER
CHAIRMAN
- 3 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL
COMMISSIONER
- 4 JEFF HATCH-MILLER
COMMISSIONER
- 5 MIKE GLEASON
COMMISSIONER
- 6 KRISTIN K. MAYES
COMMISSIONER
- 7

8 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
9 SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION FOR
10 THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND
11 REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES
12 DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE
RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE
OF THE PROPERTIES OF SOUTHWEST
GAS CORPORATION DEVOTED TO ITS
OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE
OF ARIZONA.

Docket No. G-01551A-04-0876

RUCO'S APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

I.

The RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CONSUMER OFFICE ("RUCO") hereby applies to the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an Order granting it leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

II.

RUCO was established by the enactment of Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 40-461, *et seq.*, for the purpose of representing residential utility consumers in matters before the Commission concerning regulated public service corporations.

III.

Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 40-464.A.2., specifically provides that the Director of RUCO may do the following:

1 Prepare and present briefs, arguments, proposed rates or orders
2 and intervene or appear on behalf of residential utility consumers
3 before hearing officers and the Corporation Commission as a party
4 in interest and also participate as a party in interest pursuant to
5 Section 40-254 in proceedings relating to rate making or rate
6 design and involving public service corporations.

7 IV.

8 The residential utility consumers will be directly and substantially affected by a Decision
9 or Order of the Commission in this matter, therefore, it is necessary and proper that RUCO
10 intervene in the proceeding.

11 V.

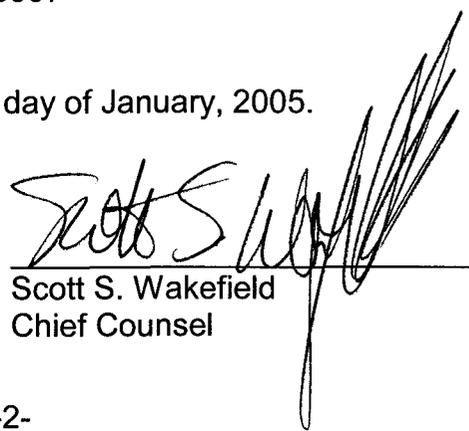
12 In order to fulfill its statutory obligation to protect the residential utility consumers of this
13 State, RUCO must thoroughly examine the materials presented by the Company, and must
14 cross-examine witnesses appearing on behalf of the Company and any other parties.
15 Additionally, RUCO may present testimony and exhibits of its own in any hearings conducted
16 by the Commission in this matter.

17 VI.

18 The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the person upon whom service of
19 all documents is to be made is:

20 Scott S. Wakefield, Chief Counsel
21 Residential Utility Consumer Office
22 1110 West Washington, Suite 220
23 Phoenix, Arizona 85007
24 (602) 364-4839

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 3rd day of January, 2005.



Scott S. Wakefield
Chief Counsel

1 AN ORIGINAL AND THIRTEEN COPIES
2 of the foregoing filed this 3rd day
of January, 2005 with:

3 Docket Control
4 Arizona Corporation Commission
5 1200 West Washington
6 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

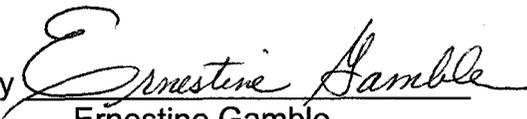
7 COPIES of the foregoing hand delivered/
8 mailed this 3rd day of January, 2005 to:

9 Lyn Farmer, Chief Administrative Law
10 Judge
11 Hearing Division
12 Arizona Corporation Commission
13 1200 West Washington
14 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

15 Christopher Kempley, Chief Counsel
16 Legal Division
17 Arizona Corporation Commission
18 1200 West Washington
19 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

20 Ernest Johnson, Director
21 Utilities Division
22 Arizona Corporation Commission
23 1200 West Washington
24 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Andrew W. Bettwy
Karen S. Haller
Legal Department
Southwest Gas Corporation
5241 Spring Mountain Road
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

20 By 
21 Ernestine Gamble
22 Secretary to Scott Wakefield
23
24