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RE: SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS FOR RIO VERDE RATE CASE
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This is an update on the referenced rate case.

The parties had a settlement discussion meeting on February 15, 2001. The parties in attendance included all the official parties to the case – Staff, the Company, RUCO, Rio Verde Community Association, and the Rio Verde Country Club. Attached is a list of all those in attendance.

At the meeting, it was determined that all the parties except RUCO could agree to settle the case. Since one of the parties was not in agreement, Staff has decided not to present a written agreement prior to the hearing, which will begin Wednesday morning, February 21, 2001. Instead, those parties that are in agreement will testify to those points on which they agree and RUCO will have a chance to cross-examine those parties to support their case as to why an agreement should not be reached. The parties that are in agreement will also have a chance to cross-examine RUCO to support their case that an agreement as discussed at the meeting on February 15, 2001, is in the public interest.

Attachment

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