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Arizona Corporation Commission  
1200 W. Washington  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Rio Verde Utilities, Inc.; Docket No. WS-02156A-00-0321

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed, pursuant to the Procedural Order in the Subject Docket, is the Affidavit of Publication as completed on July 26, 2000.

In the event you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Sallquist  
For the Firm

Enclosure

cc: Hearing Division  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE HEARING FOR  
RIO VERDE UTILITIES, INC. FOR AN APPLICATION FOR  
A RATE INCREASE AND REQUEST FOR FINANCING**

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On May 11, 2000, Rio Verde Utilities, Inc. ("Rio Verde") submitted an Application for a Rate Increase and a Request for Approval of Financing.

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The Commission will hold a hearing on these matters commencing on **February 13, 2001, at 10:00 a.m.** at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Public comments will be taken on the first day of the hearing.

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Intervention shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter. Persons desiring to intervene must file a written motion to intervene with the Commission, which motion should be sent to Applicant or its counsel and to all parties of record, and which, at the minimum, shall contain the following:

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the proposed intervenor and of any party upon whom service documents is to be made if different than the intervenor.
2. A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer of Applicant, a shareholder of Applicant, a competitor, etc.)
3. A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

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The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before November 16, 2000. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any customer from appearing at the hearing and making a statement on such customer's own behalf.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting Cynthia Mercurio-Sandoval, ADA Coordinator, voice phone number 602/542-0838, E-mail [csandoval@cc.state.as.us](mailto:csandoval@cc.state.as.us). Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

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