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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
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2 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL
Chairman
3 JIM IRVIN
Commissioner
4 MARC SPITZER
Commissioner
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6 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION - FILING)
7 FOR APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL GAS)
PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE)
8 UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA)
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DOCKET NO. G-01551A-01-0231
DECISION NO. 63599
ORDER

10 Open Meeting
April 17 and 18, 2001
11 Phoenix, Arizona

12 BY THE COMMISSION:

13 FINDINGS OF FACT

14 1. Southwest Gas Corporation ("Southwest") is engaged in providing natural gas within
15 portions of Arizona, pursuant to authority granted by the Arizona Corporation Commission.

16 2. On March 16, 2001, Southwest Gas Corporation ("Southwest") filed for Commission
17 approval of a special gas procurement agreement with the University of Arizona.

18 3. The University of Arizona is currently served under a contract entered into by the parties
19 under Schedule B-1, Potential Bypass/Standby Gas Service.

20 4. The proposed procurement agreement would become effective upon Commission
21 approval. The proposed procurement agreement has an initial term of two years and will automatically
22 continue unless one party gives notice of termination at least 120 days prior to the anniversary date of
23 the agreement.

24 5. Service under Schedule G-30 is available to customers who can establish that bypass of
25 Southwest is economically, operationally, and physically feasible and imminent. The University of
26 Arizona is located approximately 4.7 miles from El Paso Natural Gas Company's ("El Paso") interstate
27 pipeline.
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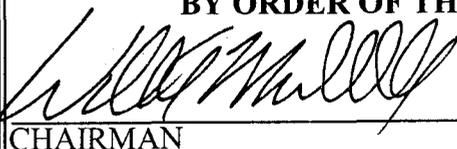
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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the filing be and hereby is approved.

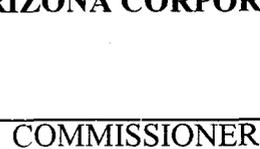
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any negative margin resulting from this agreement not be recovered from other ratepayers in any future proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION



CHAIRMAN

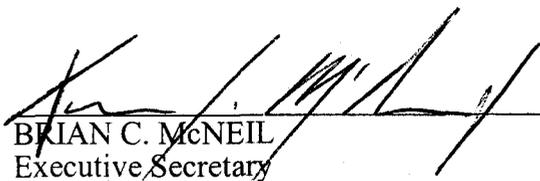


COMMISSIONER



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, BRIAN C. McNEIL, Executive Secretary of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this 24th day of April, 2001.


BRIAN C. McNEIL
Executive Secretary

DISSENT: _____

DRS:BGG:jbc/RJM

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