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Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 West Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: Public Hearing Input in the matter of the Application of Arizona-American Water Company for an increase in its Rates and Charges for utility service in the Mohave Water District.

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DOCKET No. W-01303A-02-0869

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Dear Sirs:

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On behalf of Fiesta RV Resort, which has 359 spaces located at 3190 Highway 95, in Bullhead City, we wish to provide public hearing input in the application for an increase in the water rates and charges filed by the Arizona-American Water Company in the Mohave Water District. We are currently classified as a "Multi-Unit Housing Customer" of the Utility in Mohave County.

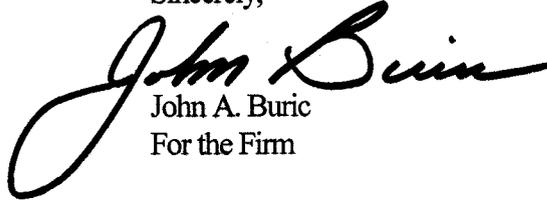
First, we fully concur with the Arizona Corporation Commission staff that a rate decrease (and not a rate increase) is justified. This is especially true for "Multi-Unit Housing Customers", which are typically apartment buildings and recreational vehicle parks. We have a grossly inflated rate based on a highly unusual and totally inappropriate method of calculating our water bill.

The current method of billing for water use within a "Multi-Unit Housing Project" is based on the number of units within the complex, regardless of occupancy or water consumption. In other words, the primary component of our current water bill for all 12 months of the year, is based on the number of units times \$8.65 per unit regardless of occupancy or water consumption. This results in a grossly inflated rate, penalizing us by more than \$28,000.00 per year when compared to other commercial users. In addition, the current billing method clearly discourages water conservation. In spite of numerous complaints, the Arizona American Water Company has not proposed a new rate design for "Centrally Metered Residential Units".

Fiesta RV Resort respectfully recommends and requests that the Arizona Corporation Commission deny the rate increase requested by the Arizona American Water Company; approve the rate decrease recommended by the Arizona Corporation Commission staff; and amend the current "Centrally Metered Residential Unit" rate

design so that the rate will be equitably based on the size of the meter serving the property along with an appropriate water usage rate. This method of billing for water use would then be the same as any other commercial use.

Sincerely,



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