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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION

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- 2 MARC SPITZER
Chairman
- 3 JIM IRVIN
Commissioner
- 4 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL
Commissioner
- 5 JEFF HATCH-MILLER
Commissioner
- 6 MIKE GLEASON
Commissioner
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Arizona Corporation Commission
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8 IN THE MATTER OF ARIZONA-AMERICAN)
 WATER COMPANY - AGUA FRIA DIVISION)
 9 SEWER HOOK-UP FEE TARIFF REVISIONS)
 10 _____)

DOCKET NO. SW-01303A-02-0628

DECISION NO. 65537

ORDER

11 Open Meeting
 January 14 and 15, 2003
 12 Phoenix, Arizona

13 BY THE COMMISSION:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 15 1. On August 16, 2002, Arizona-American Water Company -- Agua Fria Division
- 16 ("Arizona-American" or "Company") filed tariff revisions with the Commission.
- 17 2. On August 30, 2002, Arizona-American filed a letter in which it agreed to waive the
- 18 normal 30-day time period allowed to process its filing so the filing could be held for the
- 19 Commission's September 17 and 18, 2002 Open Meeting.
- 20 3. With these tariff revisions, the Company is requesting approval to expand the
- 21 applicability of its existing Sewer Hook-Up Fee Tariff (the existing tariff only applies to new service
- 22 connections made within that portion of the Company's CC&N known as Whitestone). The purpose
- 23 of the hook-up fee is to apportion the costs of constructing additional facilities to provide wastewater
- 24 treatment, effluent disposal and sludge disposal among all new service connections.
- 25 4. The Commission ordered that the filing be suspended through and including January 12,
- 26 2003 to allow Staff additional time to complete its review of the filing.
- 27 5. The Company stipulated to extend the suspension an additional two days so that this
- 28 matter could be heard at the January 14, 2003 Open Meeting.

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6. The Company and Staff have also agreed that this matter should be referred to the Hearing Division and to request an order suspending this matter to allow the Hearing Division to consider this matter. The Hearing Division has indicated 90 days should be sufficient for its review of this matter.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Arizona-American is a public service corporation within the meaning of Article XV, Section 2, of the Arizona Constitution.

2. The Commission has jurisdiction over Arizona-American, and the subject matter of the request.

3. The Commission, having reviewed the filing and Staff's Memorandum dated January 7, 2003, concludes that it is in the public interest to suspend the filing 90 days through and including April 12, 2003 to allow the Hearing Division to hear this matter.

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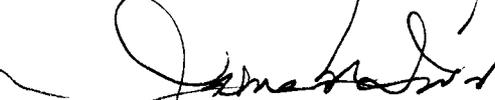
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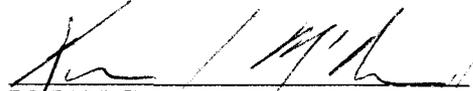
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the filing be and hereby is suspended for 90 days through and including April 12, 2003, to allow the Hearing Division to hear this matter.

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

BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

		
CHAIRMAN	COMMISSIONER	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 23rd day of January, 2003.


 BRIAN C. McNEIL
 Executive Secretary

DISSENT: _____
EGJ:JAC:hml/TS

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