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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
PALO VERDE UTILITIES COMPANY FOR AN  
EXTENSION OF ITS EXISTING CERTIFICATE  
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

DOCKET NO. SW-03575A-03-0586

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY FOR AN  
EXTENSION OF ITS EXISTING CERTIFICATE  
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

DOCKET NO. W-03576A-03-0586

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 18, 2003, Palo Verde Utilities Company and Santa Cruz Water Company ("Santa Cruz" or "Company") jointly filed an application in the respective, above-captioned dockets seeking to extend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&Ns") for the provision of wastewater and water service, respectively, to various specified areas of Pinal County, Arizona.

On September 23, 2004, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued Decision No. 67240 granting the application with certain conditions. One of those conditions required Santa Cruz to file, within 365 days of the effective date of the Decision, "an Amended Assured Water Supply Designation by ADWR [Arizona Department of Water Resources] that includes the appropriate developers within Santa Cruz' designation" (Decision No. 67240, at 15).

On September 13, 2005, Santa Cruz filed a Motion for Extension of Time to File Amended Assured Water Supply Designation In Compliance With Decision No. 67240 ("Motion"). In its Motion, Santa Cruz states that ADWR has informed the Company that its existing Assured Water Supply Designation (and related Physical Availability Demonstration) is sufficient for the service area granted in the CC&N extension request and, therefore, no amendment to the Assured Water Supply Designation is necessary. Santa Cruz points out that in a subsequent Decision, Decision No.

1 67830 (May 5, 2005), Santa Cruz was granted an additional CC&N extension subject to the same  
2 condition that the Company file an Amendment to its Assured water Supply Designation, to the  
3 extent required by law, within 365 days of the effective date of Decision No. 67830. Santa Cruz  
4 states that it has submitted to ADWR an application for the Assured Water Supply Amendment,  
5 which it expects to be issued in the near future. By its Motion, Santa Cruz requests that the  
6 compliance date for filing its Amendment to the Assured Water Supply Designation pursuant to  
7 Decision No. 67240 (*i.e.*, September 23, 2005) be extended to be coterminus with the compliance  
8 date established in Decision No. 67830 (*i.e.*, May 5, 2006). Alternatively, Santa Cruz requests that  
9 the compliance requirement in the above-captioned dockets should be eliminated because its existing  
10 Assured Water Supply Designation is sufficient for the CC&N extension area granted by Decision  
11 No. 67240.

12 On September 16, 2005, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") filed a response  
13 to Santa Cruz' Motion stating that it had no objection to the request for extension of the filing  
14 deadline, until May 5, 2006.

15 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the request by Santa Cruz Water Company for an  
16 extension of time to file an Amended Assured Water Supply Designation, as ordered by Decision No.  
17 67240, is hereby granted.

18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Santa Cruz Water Company shall file its Amended Assured  
19 Water Supply Designation by no later than May 5, 2006.

20 Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2005

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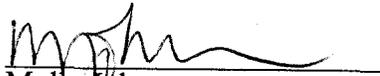
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