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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

JIM IRVIN
Commissioner - Chairman
TONY WEST
Commissioner
CARL J. KUNASEK
Commissioner

Arizona Corporation Commission
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION - FILING
FOR APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL GAS
PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT WITH
ARIZONA PORTLAND CEMENT

DOCKET NO. G-0351A-99-0187
DECISION NO. 67647

ORDER

Open Meeting
April 19 and 20, 1999
Phoenix, Arizona

BY THE COMMISSION:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest) is engaged in providing natural gas within portions of Arizona, pursuant to authority granted by the Arizona Corporation Commission.
2. On April 7, 1999 Southwest filed for Commission approval of a Special Gas Procurement Agreement (procurement agreement) under Special Clause Three of Schedule G-30 (Optional Gas Service) with Arizona Portland Cement (Portland Cement).
3. The proposed procurement agreement would become effective May 1, 1999, subject to Commission approval. The proposed procurement agreement would be effective for a period of one year after which it would be subject to termination by either party giving notice at least 90 days prior to the anniversary date of the agreement.
4. The rates contained in the proposed procurement agreement would be effective through the end of April, 2000.
5. Service under Schedule G-30 is available to customers who can establish that bypass of Southwest is economically, operationally, and physically feasible and imminent.
6. Portland Cement is located approximately 5100 feet from El Paso Natural Gas Company's interstate pipeline.



