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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY,
INC., AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR A
DETERMINATION OF THE CURRENT FAIR
VALUE OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND
PROPERTY AND FOR INCREASES IN ITS
RATES AND CHARGES BASED THEREON
FOR UTILITY SERVICE BY ITS AGUA FRIA
WATER DISTRICT AND ITS ANTHEM /
AGUA FRIA WASTEWATER DISTRICT.

Docket No. WS-01303A-02-0870

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RUCO'S APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

I.

The RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CONSUMER OFFICE ("RUCO") hereby applies to the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an Order granting it leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

II.

RUCO was established by the enactment of Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 40-461, *et seq.*, for the purpose of representing residential utility consumers in matters before the Commission concerning regulated public service corporations.

III.

Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 40-464.A.2., specifically provides that the Director of RUCO may do the following:

1 Prepare and present briefs, arguments, proposed rates or orders
2 and intervene or appear on behalf of residential utility consumers
3 before hearing officers and the Corporation Commission as a party
4 in interest and also participate as a party in interest pursuant to
5 Section 40-254 in proceedings relating to rate making or rate
6 design and involving public service corporations.

7 IV.

8 The residential utility consumers will be directly and substantially affected by a Decision
9 or Order of the Commission in this matter, therefore, it is necessary and proper that RUCO
10 intervene in the proceeding.

11 V.

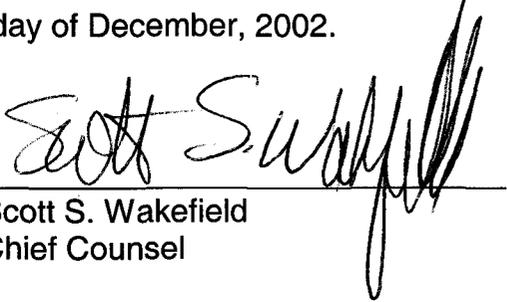
12 In order to fulfill its statutory obligation to protect the residential utility consumers of this
13 State, RUCO must thoroughly examine the materials presented by the Company, and must
14 cross-examine witnesses appearing on behalf of the Company and any other parties.
15 Additionally, RUCO may present testimony and exhibits of its own in any hearings conducted
16 by the Commission in this matter.

17 VI.

18 The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the person upon whom service of
19 all documents is to be made is:

20 Scott S. Wakefield, Chief Counsel
21 Residential Utility Consumer Office
22 1110 West Washington, Suite 220
23 Phoenix, Arizona 85007
24 (602) 364-4839

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 26th day of December, 2002.


Scott S. Wakefield
Chief Counsel

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2 of the foregoing filed this 26th day
3 of December, 2002 with:

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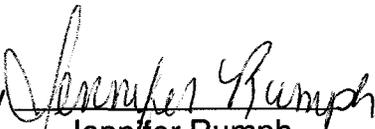
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RE: ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. - APPLICATIONS FOR RATE INCREASES, DOCKET NOS. WS-01303A-02-0867, WS-01303A-02-0868, WS-01303A-02-0869, AND WS-01303A-02-0870

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY

Gentlemen:

In reference to your rate applications received on November 22, 2002, this letter is to inform you that your application has not met the sufficiency requirements as outlined in Arizona Administrative Code R14-2-103.

Staff has found several deficiencies with your application, which are listed on a separate attachment. The 30-day sufficiency determination period will begin anew when the Company corrects the deficiencies and Docket Control receives an original and thirteen copies of the corrected pages.

You have 15 calendar days, or until January 7, 2003, to correct the deficiencies, or make other arrangements with Staff to remedy your rate application. If the corrections or other arrangements are not made by the above date, Staff will request your docket number be administratively closed. Docket Control will retain one copy of the original application for Commission records. You may file an original and ten copies of an updated application at a later date.

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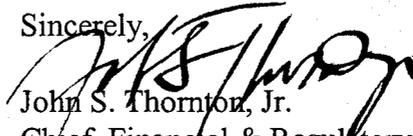
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The Staff person assigned to your application is Darron W. Carlson. He can be reached at (602) 542-0834, or toll free at (800) 222-7000, if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



John S. Thornton, Jr.

Chief, Financial & Regulatory Analysis Section
Utilities Division

Enclosure

CC: Docket Control Center (thirteen copies)
Robert Kennedy, Consumer Services
Delbert Smith, Engineering
Lyn Farmer, Hearing Division

ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
STAFF'S LIST OF ITEMS CAUSING
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ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.
DOCKET NO. WS-01303A-02-0867

Sun City West Water

1. The book revenue exceeds the bill count revenue by 1.34 percent with no reconciliation.
2. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
4. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
5. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
6. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.
7. Missing present and proposed rates on Schedule H-4, page 13.

Sun City West Wastewater

1. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
2. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
4. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
5. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.
6. Missing present and proposed rates on Schedule H-3, page 2.

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ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.
DOCKET NO. WS-01303A-02-0868

Sun City Water

1. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
2. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 – 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
4. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
5. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.
6. Missing present and proposed rates on Schedule H-4, pages 10 & 12.

Sun City Wastewater

1. The book revenue exceeds the bill count revenue by 1.61 percent with no reconciliation.
2. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
4. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
5. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
6. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.
7. Missing present and proposed rates on Schedule H-3, page 2.

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ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.
DOCKET NO. WS-01303A-02-0869

Havasu Water

1. The book revenue exceeds the bill count revenue by 1.45 percent with no reconciliation.
2. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
4. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
5. Schedule B-2, page 4 does not appear to be consistent with Schedule B-2, pages 2 and 3.
6. Schedule C-2, page 14 needs a dollar value entry.
7. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
8. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.

Mohave Water

1. The book revenue exceeds the bill count revenue by 1.25 percent with no reconciliation
2. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
4. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
5. Schedule B-2, page 4 does not appear to be consistent with Schedule B-2, pages 2 and 3.
6. Schedule C-2, page 14 needs a dollar value entry.
7. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
8. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.
9. Missing present and proposed rates on Schedule H-4, page 18, 19, 36, 44, 54, 55, 56, 62, and 94.

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ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.
DOCKET NO. WS-01303A-02-0870

Anthem Water

1. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
2. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
4. Depreciation expense adjustment is not consistent on Schedule C-2, page 2 and Schedule C-2, page 6.
5. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
6. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.

Agua Fria Water

1. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
2. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
3. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
4. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
5. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.
6. Missing present and proposed rates on Schedule H-4, page 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 17.

Anthem/Agua Fria Wastewater

1. Plant in service on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to plant in service on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.
2. Accumulated depreciation on Schedule B-2, pages 1 & 2 does not tie to accumulated depreciation on Schedules B-2, page 5 and E-1, page 1.

3. The presentation of advances in aid of construction and contributions in aid of construction on lines 13 - 17 of Schedule B-2, page 1 and Schedule B-3 do not clearly show the intended adjustments to the respective accounts.
4. Dollar values are not presented on all Schedules D.
5. Plant balance on Schedule E-5, page 1 does not tie to total plant on Schedule B-2, pages 1 or 2.