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FROM: Ernest Johnson *EJ*
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G-01970A-03-0172
G-01551A-03-0172

DATE: January 15, 2004

RE: ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE- IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT
APPLICATION OF SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION AND BLACK
MOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY FOR ORDERS APPROVING A BORDERLINE
AGREEMENT (DOCKET NO. G-01551A-03-0172)

Staff requests that Docket No. G-01551A-03-0172 be administratively closed. The item was withdrawn from the November 4, 2003 Open Meeting agenda by Southwest Gas the morning of the open meeting. Southwest Gas has purchased Black Mountain Gas and represents both companies involved in the matter. Due to the purchase of Black Mountain Gas by Southwest Gas it is no longer necessary to process the application. Attached is a letter from Southwest Gas addressed to Docket Control documenting the company's wish to withdraw their application.

ORIGINATOR: Steve Irvine

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RE: Notice of Withdrawal of Joint Application
Docket Nos. G-01551A-03-0172 & G-01970A-0172

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Date Transmitted: December 18, 2003

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SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Andrew W. Bettwy, Assistant General Counsel

December 18, 2003

Arizona Corporation Commission
Attention: Docket Control
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Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Notice of Withdrawal of Joint Application of Southwest Gas Corporation and Black Mountain Gas Company - Docket Nos. G-01551A-03-0172 & G-01970A-03-0172

Please accept this notice of withdrawal of the March 21, 2003 Joint Application filed in the above-referenced Dockets by Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest) and Black Mountain Gas Company (Black Mountain). At the time of the March 21, 2003 filing, Southwest did not have an ownership interest in Black Mountain. Today, Southwest owns 100% of the outstanding shares of Black Mountain and, accordingly, this notice of withdrawal is filed on behalf of both Southwest and Black Mountain.

Respectfully,

Andrew W. Bettwy

c Mr. Steve Irvine ✓