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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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Arizona Corporation Commission

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
MOUNT TIPTON WATER COMPANY, INC. FOR
AN EMERGENCY RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-02105A-03-0805

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 4, 2003, Mount Tipton Water Company, Inc. ("Company" or "Applicant") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application requesting an emergency rate increase in the form of a \$10.00 per month per metered customer surcharge and a 50 percent increase on its bulk water commodity charge from \$3.00 to \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons of water "without assistance" and from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons of water "with assistance". This equates to approximately a 30.5 percent rate increase. The Company is requesting these increases to offset increasing revenue shortfalls, which render the Company unable to pay its debt service. As a result, a hearing will commence on December 17, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. to hear the above-captioned matter.

Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-101, the Commission makes the following orders governing the preparation and conduct of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Mount Tipton Water Company, Inc. shall provide public notice of the Commission's hearing to determine if an emergency exists pursuant to Attorney General Opinion No. 71-17 and if an emergency increase should be granted, which hearing shall begin at the Commission's offices at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona on December 17, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following notice shall be mailed to each customer and posted in public places and at all standpipes located in Mount Tipton Water Company, Inc.'s service area on or before December 3, 2003 with Mount Tipton Water Company Inc. to file with the

1 Commission certification of public notice as soon thereafter as is practical:

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3 **NOTICE OF A REQUEST FOR A \$10.00 PER MONTH EMERGENCY SURCHARGE FOR**
4 **METERED CUSTOMERS AND A 50 PERCENT INCREASE IN BULK WATER**
5 **COMMODITY CHARGE BY MOUNT TIPTON WATER COMPANY, INC.**
6 **DOCKET NO. W-02105A-03-0805**

7 MOUNT TIPTON WATER COMPANY, INC. HAS REQUESTED THE ARIZONA
8 CORPORATION COMMISSION SET A HEARING TO DETERMINE IF A \$10.00
9 PER MONTH EMERGENCY SURCHARGE PER METERED CUSTOMER AND A 50
10 PERCENT INCREASE PER 1,000 GALLONS FOR ITS BULK WATER
11 COMMODITY CHARGE SHOULD BE GRANTED. THE HEARING WILL BEGIN
12 AT THE COMMISSION'S OFFICES AT 1200 WEST WASHINGTON STREET,
13 PHOENIX, ARIZONA ON DECEMBER 17, 2003 AT 10:00 A.M. INTERESTED
14 PARTIES MAY INTERVENE. IF YOU DESIRE MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
15 THE COMMISSION'S CONSUMER SERVICES SECTION AT 1-800-222-7000.

16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice in accordance with this Procedural Order shall
17 be deemed complete upon the mailing and public posting of notice, notwithstanding the failure
18 of an individual customer to read or receive the notice.

19 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that to the extent that provisions of this Procedural Order
20 conflict with Title 14 of the A.A.C, said provisions are controlling.

21 DATED this 19th day of November, 2003.

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MARC E. STERN
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

21 Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered
22 this 17th day of November, 2003 to:

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24 Assistant General Manager
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