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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CIBOLA MUTUAL WATER COMPANY FOR A
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE IN
THE DESCRIBED AREA IN LA PAZ COUNTY,
ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. W-04106A-02-0312

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 20, 2003, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued Decision No. 65750 which approved the application of Cibola Mutual Water Company ("Company" or "Applicant") for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") to provide public water utility service to various parts of La Paz County, Arizona. As a condition of the Commission's approval, the Company was to file, within 18 months of the effective date of the Decision, its initial Approval to Construct ("ATC") issued by Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ").

On May 25, 2007, the Company filed a request for an extension of time until the end of June 2008. The Company states that Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") easement issues have delayed the design and submission of plans to ADEQ. The Company further states that the issues are nearly resolved and that the Company believes that by the end of June 2008, an ATC will be issued by ADEQ.

On June 18, 2007, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed a memorandum which describes in great detail the complications that the Company has experienced in attempting to secure an ATC from ADEQ. Staff indicates easement reviews have been conducted by the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"), the State of Arizona's Land Department, the Mohave County Water Authority and private parties. Part of the BLM process

1 involved the completion of an Environmental Impact Report and included biological and
2 archeological reviews and required additional consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife
3 Service due to the possibility that certain endangered species might be effected by the Company's
4 planned construction.

5 Due to the multiple complications, which Staff believes were beyond the Company's control,
6 Staff does not oppose the requested extension to June 30, 2008 in order to allow the Company time to
7 secure the required ATC from ADEQ. However, Staff further recommends that the Company be
8 admonished for delaying its request for an extension and that it be put on notice that similar
9 delinquent requests could result in denials and/or sanctions being imposed.

10 Accordingly, the Company's request for an extension until June 30, 2008, to secure an ATC
11 issued by ADEQ should be granted.

12 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Cibola Mutual Water Company is hereby granted an
13 extension until June 30, 2008, in which to file a copy of its ATC to be issued by ADEQ.

14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Cibola Mutual Water Company is hereby put on notice that
15 in the future it shall timely comply with Commission Orders or be subject to possible denials and/or
16 sanctions.

17 DATED this 3rd day of July, 2007.

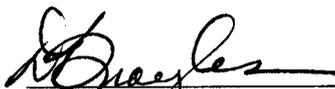

MARC E. STERN
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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