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IN THE MATTER OF:

ARIZONA WATER COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION,

Complainant,

vs.

GLOBAL WATER RESOURCES, LLC, A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; GLOBAL WATER RESOURCES, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION; GLOBAL WATER MANAGEMENT, LLC, A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY, LLC, AN ARIZONA LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; PALO VERDE UTILITIES COMPANY, LLC, AN ARIZONA LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; GLOBAL WATER - SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION; GLOBAL WATER - PALO VERDE UTILITIES COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION; JOHN AND JANE DOES 1-20; ABC ENTITIES I-XX,

Respondents.

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PROCEDURAL ORDER

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On March 29, 2006, Arizona Water Company ("AWC") filed a complaint against Global Water Resources, LLC, Global Water Resources, Inc., Global Water Management, LLC, Santa Cruz Water Company, LLC, Palo Verde Utilities Company, LLC, Arizona Global Water - Santa Cruz Water Company and Arizona Global Water - Palo Verde Utilities Company (collectively "Respondents").

On October 6, 2006, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed a Staff Report in Docket No. W-00000C-06-0149 (*In the Matter of the Commission's Generic Evaluation of the Regulatory Impact From the Use of Non-Traditional Financing Arrangements by Water Utilities and*

1 *Their Affiliates*) (“Generic Docket”) addressing the Comments that had been received regarding  
2 regulatory treatment of non-traditional funding mechanisms.

3 A number of filings have been made in this docket by the parties.

4 On April 13, 2007, a procedural conference was conducted to discuss potential hearing dates  
5 and other procedural deadlines. At the conclusion of the conference, the parties were directed to  
6 discuss whether mutually agreeable dates could be negotiated, and to file proposed dates for  
7 consideration.

8 The parties filed proposed procedural schedules and, on May 1, 2007, a Procedural Order was  
9 issued scheduling a hearing for October 15, 2007 and establishing other procedural timelines,  
10 including a deadline of June 29, 2007 for completion of witness depositions.

11 A procedural conference was conducted on July 18, 2007 to discuss a discovery dispute  
12 regarding depositions noticed by Global for AWC witnesses, and request for protective order by  
13 AWC. During the July 18, 2007 procedural conference, the Administrative Law Judge extended the  
14 date for conducting depositions and limited the scope of the depositions of AWC witnesses to a  
15 portion of the issues noticed by Global. In addition, AWC was directed to file a Motion to Compel  
16 regarding another unresolved discovery dispute related to objections to data requests served by AWC  
17 on Global. Global was directed to file a response to any such motion within five days of filing.

18 On July 19, 2007, AWC filed a Motion to Compel responses to data requests and deposition  
19 questions for which Global witnesses were instructed by their attorney not to answer.

20 On July 26, 2007, Global filed a Response to Motion to Compel, Cross Motion to Compel,  
21 and Cross Motion for a Protective Order.

22 On August 3, 2007, a teleconference was convened with counsel for AWC, Global and Staff.  
23 During the teleconference, the parties agreed to the scheduling of an oral argument on the pending  
24 motions on August 14, 2007, at 10:00 a.m.

25 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a procedural conference/oral argument shall be**  
26 **scheduled in the above-captioned docket for August 14, 2007, at 10:00 a.m.,** at the offices of the  
27 Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

28 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 – Unauthorized

1 Communications) applies to this proceeding and shall remain in effect until the Commission's  
2 Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend,  
4 or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at  
5 hearing.

6 Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007

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9 DWIGHT D. NODES  
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