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DOCKET NO. W-03576A-07-0300

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

- DOCKET NO. W-01445A-06-0200
- DOCKET NO. SW-20445A-06-0200
- DOCKET NO. W-20446A-06-0200
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1 UTILITIES COMPANY, LLC, AN ARIZONA  
2 LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; GLOBAL  
3 WATER – SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY,  
4 AN ARIZONA CORPORATION; GLOBAL  
5 WATER – PALO VERDE UTILITIES  
6 COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION;  
7 JOHN AND JANE DOES 1-20; ABC ENTITIES I-  
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9 RESPONDENTS.

10 IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT APPLICATION  
11 OF CP WATER COMPANY AND FRANCISCO  
12 GRANDE UTILITIES COMPANY TO TRANSFER  
13 THEIR CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND  
14 NECESSITY AND ASSETS TO PALO VERDE  
15 UTILITIES COMPANY AND SANTA CRUZ  
16 WATER COMPANY.

DOCKET NO. WS-01775A-07-0485  
DOCKET NO. SW-03575A-07-0485  
DOCKET NO. W-02442A-07-0485  
DOCKET NO. W-03576A-07-0485

**PROCEDURAL ORDER**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

17 On March 29, 2006, Arizona Water Company (“AWC”) filed with the Arizona Corporation  
18 Commission (“Commission”) a Complaint in Docket Nos. W-01445A-06-0200, SW-20445A-06-  
19 0200, W-20446A-06-0200, W-03576A-06-0200, and SW-03575A-06-0200 (“Complaint  
20 Proceeding”) against Global Water Resources, LLC, Global Water Resources, Inc., Global Water  
21 Management, LLC, Santa Cruz Water Company, LLC, Palo Verde Utilities Company, LLC, Arizona  
22 Global Water – Santa Cruz Water Company and Arizona Global Water – Palo Verde Utilities  
23 Company (collectively “Global Water”).

24 Prior to and during the pendency of the Complaint Proceeding, AWC and various Global  
25 Water entities filed applications with the Commission to extend their respective Certificates of  
26 Convenience and Necessity (“CC&Ns”) in Pinal County, including applications where the requested  
27 CC&N areas overlapped. The CC&N extension applications were filed in Docket Nos. W-03576A-  
28 07-0300, W-01445A-06-0199, SW-03575A-05-0926, W-03576A-05-0926, W-03576A-07-0300 and  
SW-03575A-07-0300 (“Contested CC&N Proceeding”).

On July 17, 2007, AWC filed, in Docket No. W-03576A-07-0300 et. al., a Motion to  
Consolidate Docket Nos. W-01445A-06-0199, SW-03575A-05-0926, W-03576A-05-0926, W-  
03576A-07-0300 and SW-03575A-07-0300. By Procedural Order issued December 20, 2007, the  
Motion to Consolidate was granted.

1 On August 20, 2007, Francisco Grande Utilities Company (“Francisco Grande”) and CP  
2 Water Company (“CP”) filed in Docket Nos. WS-011775A-07-0485, SW-03575A-07-0485, W-  
3 02442A-07-0485 and W-03576A-07-0485 (“Francisco Grande/CP Water Proceeding”) an application  
4 requesting approval to transfer their CC&Ns and their assets to Palo Verde Utilities Company (“Palo  
5 Verde”) and Santa Cruz Water Company (“Santa Cruz”).<sup>1</sup>

6 On May 16, 2008, AWC and Global docketed a Settlement Agreement in the Complaint  
7 Proceeding (Docket No. W-01445A-06-0200 et al.), which purports to resolve the issues in the  
8 Complaint Proceeding, the Contested CC&N Proceeding, and the Francisco Grande/CP Water  
9 Proceeding.

10 On June 16, 2008, AWC and Global filed a Motion to Consolidate (“Joint Motion”). The  
11 Joint Motion requested consolidation of the Complaint Proceeding (Docket Nos. W-01445A-06-  
12 0200, SW-20445A-06-0200, W-20446A-06-0200, W-03576A-06-0200, and SW-03575A-06-0200)  
13 with the previously consolidated Contested CC&N Proceeding (Docket Nos. W-01445A-06-0199,  
14 SW-03575A-05-0926, W-03576A-05-0926, W-03576A-07-0300 and SW-03575A-07-0300) and the  
15 Francisco Grande/CP Water Proceeding (Docket Nos. WS-011775A-07-0485, SW-03575A-07-0485,  
16 W-02442A-07-0485 and W-03576A-07-0485).

17 The Joint Motion states that because the various proceedings involve the same issues of fact  
18 and law, and because all of the CC&N expansion areas and transfer issues have been resolved in the  
19 Settlement Agreement, the matters should be consolidated. The Joint Motion also states that  
20 consolidation of the various proceedings will allow for a consistent ruling resolving the issues in  
21 accordance with the Settlement Agreement, and that the Settlement Agreement amends the CC&N  
22 application boundaries for a more coherent and unified approach to utility planning in the Pinal  
23 County area.

24 On June 24, 2008, Staff filed a response to AWC and Global’s Joint Motion to Consolidate,  
25 stating Staff does not oppose consolidation.

26 Pursuant to A.A.C. R-14-3-109(H), the Commission “may consolidate two or more

27 <sup>1</sup> In Decision No. 69920 (September 27, 2007), the Commission approved the application to transfer the assets and  
28 CC&Ns of Palo Verde Utilities Company and Santa Cruz Water Company to Global Water-Palo Verde Utilities Company  
and Global Water- Santa Cruz Water Company, respectively.

1 proceedings in one hearing when it appears that the issues are substantially the same and that the  
2 rights of the parties will not be prejudiced by such procedure.”

3 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that **the Complaint Proceeding (Docket Nos. W-01445A-  
4 06-0200, SW-20445A-06-0200, W-20446A-06-0200, W-03576A-06-0200, and SW-03575A-06-  
5 0200), the Contested CC&N Proceeding (Docket Nos. W-01445A-06-0199, SW-03575A-05-0926,  
6 W-03576A-05-0926, W-03576A-07-0300 and SW-03575A-07-0300), and the Francisco Grande  
7 /CP Water Proceeding (Docket Nos. WS-01775A-07-0485, SW-03575A-07-0485, W-02442A-07-  
8 0485 and W-03576A-07-0485) are hereby consolidated.**

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113-Unauthorized  
10 Communications) continues to apply to this consolidated proceeding and shall remain in effect until  
11 the Commission’s Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.

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

15 Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008.

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