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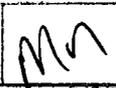
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6 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
7 OF CORONADO UTILITIES, INC. FOR A
8 CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WASTEWATER
SERVICE IN PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA.

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9 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
10 OF CORONADO UTILITIES, INC. FOR
11 AUTHORITY TO ISSUE SHORT AND
12 LONG-TERM DEBT IN CONNECTION
13 WITH THE ACQUISITION OF THE
WASTEWATER UTILITY PLANT OF BHP
COPPER, INC. AND CONSTRUCTING
IMPROVEMENTS THERETO.

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**STAFF'S PROCEDURAL COMMENTS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

14 On September 11, 2008, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") voted
15 pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-252 to reopen Decision No. 68608 (March 23, 2006) and the record in the
16 above-captioned dockets for the purpose of determining if the impact on ratepayers as a result of the
17 rates approved in decision No. 68608 could be further mitigated.

18 On October 21, 2008, the Commission Hearing Division convened a procedural conference
19 for the purpose of determining the scope of the re-opened proceedings. The parties discussed the rate
20 concerns and strategies to address them. At the close of the conference, the Hearing Division stated
21 that it would be issuing a procedural order outlining several foundational issues needing resolution in
22 order for an appropriate procedural schedule to be established.

23 On November 19, 2008, the Commission Hearing Division issued a Procedural Order
24 directing the parties to these matters file briefs addressing both the procedural and substantive issues
25 raised thus far.

26 Due to the recent holiday season and the absence of certain key Staff members, Staff was
27 unable to meet the deadline to file its comments on the fundamental questions posed by Judge Rodda.

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1 Staff has discussed this matter with counsel for Coronado. Staff counsel and counsel for Coronado
2 have agreed to the following modification to the procedural schedule in this matter:

3 Staff's Comments - January 9, 2009.

4 Staff and Coronado's Reply Comments - January 23, 2009.

5 WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Hearing Division modify the existing
6 procedural schedule as discussed above.

7 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 7th day of January, 2009.

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