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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF GLOBAL WATER – PALO VERDE UTILITIES COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. SW-20445A-09-0077

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VALENCIA WATER COMPANY – GREATER BUCKEYE DIVISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. W-02451A-09-0078

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WILLOW VALLEY WATER COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. W-01732A-09-0079

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF GLOBAL WATER – SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. W-20446A-09-0080

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WATER UTILITY OF GREATER TONOPAH FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR

DOCKET NO. W-02450A-09-0081

1 UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A
2 REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE
3 FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY
4 THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

3 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
4 VALENCIA WATER COMPANY – TOWN
5 DIVISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST
6 AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES
7 FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO
8 REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN
9 ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY
10 THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. W-01212A-09-0082

PROCEDURAL ORDER

8 **BY THE COMMISSION:**

9 On February 20, 2009, Global Water – Palo Verde Utilities Company; Valencia Water
10 Company – Greater Buckeye Division; Willow Valley Water Company, Inc.; Global Water – Santa
11 Cruz Water Company; Water Utility of Greater Tonopah, Inc.; and Valencia Water Company – Town
12 Division (“Valencia - Town Division”) (collectively “Global Utilities” or “Company”) filed with the
13 Arizona Corporation Commission (“Commission”) applications in the above-captioned dockets
14 seeking increases in their respective permanent base rates and other associated charges.

15 On April 30, 2009, Staff filed Letters of Sufficiency stating that each of the above-captioned
16 Global Utilities applications, as supplemented by the subsequent filings, met the sufficiency
17 requirements of A.A.C. R14-2-103.

18 On May 12, 2009, Staff filed Motions to Consolidate in each of the above-captioned dockets.

19 By Procedural Order issued May 28, 2009, the above-captioned cases were consolidated and
20 set for hearing to commence on December 14, 2009. The Procedural Order also set deadlines for the
21 filing of testimony.

22 On October 13, 2009, The Water Utility Association of Arizona filed an Application to
23 Intervene.

24 On October 19, 2009, Staff filed a Motion for Extension of Time Regarding Rate Design
25 Testimony (as modified by a Notice of Errata filed on the same date). Staff represents in its Motion
26 that no other party objects to the proposed extension. In its Motion, Staff requested that the following
27 due dates be extended:
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	<u>Rate Design Testimony</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
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2	Staff/Intervenor Direct	Oct. 26, 2009	Nov. 6, 2009
3	Company Rebuttal	Nov. 20, 2009	Nov. 30, 2009
4	Staff/Intervenor Surrebuttal	Dec. 7, 2009	No Change
5	Company Rejoinder	Dec. 10, 2009	No Change

6 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that **Staff's Motion for Extension of Time is granted and,**
 7 **accordingly, the revised deadline for the filing of Staff and Intervenor Rate Design Direct**
 8 **Testimony shall be November 6, 2009, and the revised deadline for the filing of Company Rate**
 9 **Design Rebuttal Testimony shall be November 30, 2009. All other procedural dates set forth in**
 10 **the May 28, 2009, Procedural Order shall remain in effect.**

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **The Water Utility Association of Arizona is hereby**
 12 **granted intervention.**

13 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Rules 31 and 38 of the Rules
 14 of the Arizona Supreme Court and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to the practice of law and admission
 15 *pro hac vice*.

16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance
 17 with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Rule 42 of the
 18 Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court). Representation before the Commission includes appearances
 19 at all hearings and procedural conferences, as well as all Open Meetings for which the matter is
 20 scheduled for discussion, unless counsel has previously been granted permission to withdraw by the
 21 Administrative Law Judge or the Commission.

22 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 - Unauthorized
 23 Communications) applies to this proceeding and shall remain in effect until the Commission's
 24 Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.

25 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time periods specified herein shall not be extended
 26 pursuant to Rule 6(a) or (e) of the Rules of Civil Procedure.

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

4 DATED this 21st day of October 2009.

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