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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF VERNON VALLEY WATER, INC. FOR  
A RATE INCREASE

DOCKET NO. W-20540A-09-0351

PROCEDURAL ORDER

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On July 9, 2009, Vernon Valley Water, Inc. ("Company" or "Applicant") filed an application before the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") requesting a permanent rate increase.

On August 7, 2009, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") issued a Letter of Insufficiency, which indicated that more information was needed in order for the application to be found sufficient pursuant to A.A.C. R14-2-103.

On September 8, 2009, the Applicant provided the additional information which Staff had requested.

On October 6, 2009, Staff issued a Letter of Sufficiency to the Company and classified the Applicant as a Class "E" utility. Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-2-103(B)(11), Staff is required to issue its Staff Report within 60 days, on or before December 7, 2009.

When Staff issued its first data request in this matter along with the Letter of Sufficiency, Applicant's responses were due within ten days; however, Applicant required an additional 14 days to provide its responses.

On November 6, 2009, Staff issued a second set of data requests, and on November 23, 2009, Staff issued a third set of data requests.

On December 2, 2009, the Company filed its responses to Staff's second set of data requests.

On December 4, 2009, Staff filed a Motion requesting an extension of time to file its Staff Report and for a suspension of the timeframe. As of the date of Staff's request, Staff represented that

1 Applicant had yet to provide responses to the third set of data requests. In the absence of those  
2 responses, Staff indicated that it was unable to prepare the Staff Report in the timeframe as required by  
3 A.A.C. R14-2-103. Staff further indicated that after the filing of the Company's responses to Staff's  
4 data requests, Staff would require an additional 30 days in order to file its report.

5 On December 9, 2009, by Procedural Order, Staff was authorized to an additional 30 days to  
6 file the Staff Report after Applicant filed the Company's responses to Staff's third set of data requests.

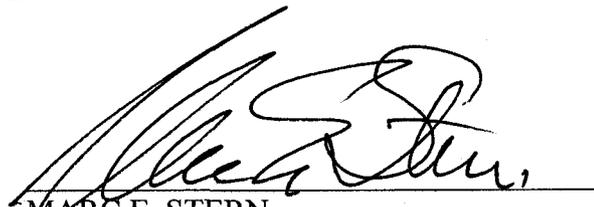
7 On December 15, 2009, the Company filed its responses to Staff's data requests.

8 On January 29, 2010, Staff filed its report which states that comments to the report should be  
9 filed on or before February 8, 2010.

10 Under the circumstances, pursuant to A.A.C. R14-2-103, the timeframe in this matter should be  
11 suspended pending a final Decision by the Commission.

12 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, pursuant to A.A.C. R14-2-103, the timeframe is hereby  
13 suspended pending a final Commission Decision in this matter.

14 DATED this 1<sup>ST</sup> day of February, 2010.

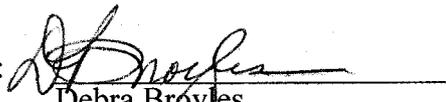
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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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