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RE: PARK WATER COMPANY, INC. – REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF COMPLIANCE  
DEADLINE (DOCKET NO. W-02353A-09-0328) *W-02353A-09-0329*

In Decision No. 71421, dated December 8, 2009, the Arizona Corporation Commission (“Commission”) approved the application of Park Water Company, Inc. (“Park Water” or “Company”) for an application for an emergency rate increase and for financing.

As part of Decision No. 71421, the Commission ordered Park Water to do the following:

“... file with the Commission, no later than April 30, 2010, an application for a permanent rate increase, with a test year ending December 31, 2009.”

On March 19, 2010, Park Water docketed a “request for extension of time”, in which it requested a 30 day extension of time, until May 30, 2010, for provision of the required permanent rate case application. In the current application, the Company states that issues forcing the request for additional time include “health problems, lack of financial capital to employ consultant to assist in preparing documents and the unanticipated time and resources expended to comply with WIFA requirements and 2009 required filings”.

On May 4, 2010, Staff contacted Ms. Patricia O’Connor, President, of Park Water regarding the filing for additional time. Ms. O’Connor confirmed that the request for the extension of time was a function of several issues. The Company has incurred very significant health problems with the worker responsible for preparing the necessary rate case information and other delays such as administrative trouble in processing a \$200,000 Water Infrastructure and Finance Authority of Arizona loan for well reconstruction.

In our conversation, Ms. O’Conner stated that she anticipates the rate case filing to be completed by the May 30, 2010 date she proposed in the current application for extension. However, she also indicated that she was hesitant to seek additional time when developing her 30 day extension period of May 30, 2010 and admitted that two additional weeks would have been preferable in case of delay. Staff accepted Ms. O’Connor’s statements as a verbal request to amend the application for extension of time from a Company proposed due date of May 30, 2010, to a new proposed date of June 15, 2010.

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Staff concludes that the current application for extension of time was timely filed and that the Company has incurred administrative delays which affected the development and processing of the rate case filing.

Based on the application and all of the above, Staff does not object to Park Water's amended request for an extension of time to provide the permanent rate case filing ordered in Decision No. 71421. However, to be sure that the Company has adequate time to file a complete rate case application, Staff recommends that the Company be given until June 30, 2010, to file its application. Staff recommends that no further extensions be granted in this matter.

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