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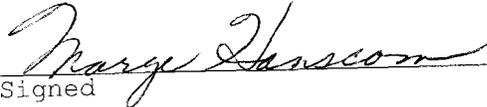
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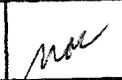
  
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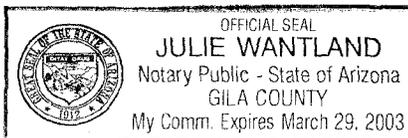
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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING  
ON THE APPLICATION OF  
STRAWBERRY WATER CO.,  
INC. FOR AN EXTENSION OF  
ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENI-  
ENCE AND NECESSITY**

On September 13, 2001, Strawberry Water Co., Inc. ("Company") filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an extension of its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") to include the Hardscrabble Mesa subdivision and the existing supply locations within the Company's CC&N. The application is available for inspection during regular business hours of the Commission in Phoenix, at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, and at the offices of the Company, 3101 State Rd., Bakersfield, California.

The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning December 10, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Public comment will be taken on the first day of the hearing.

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Intervention shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter. Persons desiring to intervene must file a written motion to intervene with the Commission, which motion should be sent to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record, and which, at the minimum, shall contain the following:

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the proposed intervenor and of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made if different than the intervenor.

2. A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer of the Company, a shareholder of the Company, etc.)

3. A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be granted by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before November 15, 2002. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. Failure to intervene will not preclude any potential customer from appearing at the hearing and making a statement on such person's own behalf. You will not, however, receive any further notice of the proceeding unless requested by you.

The commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting Shelly Hood, ADA Coordinator, voice phone number (602) 542-3931, E-mail [shood@cc.state.az.us](mailto:shood@cc.state.az.us). Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.