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TO: THE COMMISSION

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FROM: Utilities Division

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DATE: May 8, 1998

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF UNBUNDLED AND STANDARD OFFER SERVICE TARIFFS PURSUANT TO A.A.C. R14-2-1606 AND SYSTEM BENEFITS CHARGE PURSUANT TO A.A.C. R14-2-1608 (DOCKET NO. E-01345A-97-0773)

On February 13, 1998, Arizona Public Service Company (Company) filed its unbundled and standard offer service tariffs pursuant to R14-2-1606 and a systems benefit charge pursuant to R14-2-1608. In this filing, the Company has designed Direct Access Tariffs based on its existing rate schedules, with credits given for generation and/or other competitive services selected by the customer. The Company has also filed a system benefits charge and plan of administration.

Effective December 26, 1996, the Commission adopted rules governing the parameters of retail electric competition. Pursuant to R14-2-1606(C), each incumbent utility must file Unbundled Service Tariffs to provide the following services to all eligible purchasers on a nondiscriminatory basis: Distribution service; Meter and meter reading service; Billing and collection service; Open access transmission service; Ancillary services; Information services; and Other ancillary services necessary for safe and reliable system operation. Pursuant to R14-2-1606(B), each incumbent utility may also file proposed tariffs to provide standard offer bundled service. Pursuant to R14-2-1608, each incumbent utility must file non-bypassable rates or related mechanisms to recover the applicable pro-rata costs of system benefits from all consumers located in its service area who participate in the competitive market.

Decision No. 60697, dated February 27, 1998, suspended this filing until June 12, 1998. Due to the size and magnitude of this filing, Staff is recommending the Commission suspend this filing for an additional period of one hundred and eighty days.

Ray T. Williamson

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Acting Director
Utilities Division

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ORIGINATOR: John V. Wallace

Arizona Corporation Commission

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1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

2 JIM IRVIN
Commissioner - Chairman
3 RENZ D. JENNINGS
Commissioner
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Commissioner
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6 IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)
ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY)
7 OF UNBUNDLED AND STANDARD)
OFFER SERVICE TARIFFS PURSUANT)
8 TO A.A.C. R14-2-1606 AND SYSTEM)
BENEFITS CHARGE PURSUANT TO)
9 A.A.C.R14-2-1608)
_____)

DOCKET NO. E-01345A-97-0773

DECISION NO. _____

ORDER

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11 Open Meeting
May 19 and 20, 1998
12 Phoenix, Arizona

13 BY THE COMMISSION:

14 FINDINGS OF FACT

15 1. Arizona Public Service Company (APS or Company) is certified to provide
16 electric service as a public service corporation in the State of Arizona.

17 2. On February 13, 1998, the Company filed its unbundled and standard offer
18 service tariffs pursuant R14-2-1606 and a systems benefit charge pursuant to R14-2-1608.

19 3. In this filing, the Company has designed Direct Access Tariffs based on its
20 existing rate schedules, with credits given for generation and/or other competitive services
21 selected by the customer. The Company has also filed a system benefits charge and plan of
22 administration.

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ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the tariff filing be and hereby suspended until and including December 9, 1998.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER - CHAIRMAN

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JACK ROSE, Executive Secretary of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this ____ day of _____ 1998.

JACK ROSE
Executive Secretary

DISSENT _____

RTW:JVW:djg/PAB