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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CASA GRANDE WEST WATER COMPANY, INC.
FOR APPROVAL OF FINANCING.

DOCKET NO. W-01990A-09-0572

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CASA GRANDE WEST WATER COMPANY, INC.
FOR A RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-01990A-09-0573

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 21, 2009, Casa Grande West Water Company, Inc. ("Company" or "Applicant") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for an increase in its permanent rates and charges.

With its December 21, 2009 rate application, the Company filed proof that it had mailed notice to its customers of its application for a permanent rate increase on December 18, 2009.

Also on December 21, 2009, the Company filed an application requesting approval of a loan from the Water Infrastructure Financing Authority ("WIFA") to fund construction of an arsenic adsorption system so that the Company can provide safe drinking water.

On January 20, 2010, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") issued a Notice of Insufficiency pursuant to A.A.C. R14-2-103.

On April 21, 2010, the Company filed an amended rate application in response to Staff's Notice of Insufficiency.

On May 20, 2010, Staff issued a Notice of Sufficiency indicating that the Company's rate application was sufficient, and classifying the Company as a Class D utility.

On July 1, 2010, a procedural order was issued consolidating the rate application and financing application dockets.

1 On July 20, 2010, the Company filed a response to Staff's third set of data requests.

2 On July 23, 2010, Staff filed a Request for an Extension of Time to File Staff Report. Staff
3 stated that due to Applicant's slow and sometimes incomplete responses to data requests, Staff
4 required an additional three weeks to appropriately and fairly analyze the applications, and to
5 complete its Staff Report.

6 Applicant filed no response to Staff's request for additional time.

7 By Procedural Order issued August 2, 2010, the deadline for filing the Staff Report was
8 extended until August 24, 2010, and pursuant to R14-2-103(B)(11)(e), the timeclock for this matter
9 was accordingly extended by 21 days.

10 On August 24, 2009, Staff filed its Staff Report on the Company's rate application and
11 financing application, recommending approval of both applications. Staff additionally recommended
12 that the Company be authorized to file an application for an Arsenic Remediation Surcharge
13 Mechanism ("ARSM") once the Company has secured its WIFA loan.

14 No comments to the Staff Report were filed.

15 Applicant has not filed proof of providing notice to its customers of its application for
16 financing. Applicant has been contacted by the Hearing Division and has been informed that without
17 proof of such notice, the Commission cannot act on the consolidated applications.

18 Applicant should be ordered to file proof of providing notice to its customers of its application
19 for financing, and the timeclock in this matter should accordingly be suspended pursuant to R14-2-
20 103(B)(11)(e) pending Applicant's filing of the proof of notice.

21 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Casa Grande West Water Company, Inc. shall file,**
22 **as soon as practicable, but no later than December 31, 2010,** proof that it has provided notice to
23 its customers of its December 21, 2009 application for financing.

24 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the timeclock in this matter is hereby suspended pursuant
25 to A.A.C. R14-2-103(B)(11)(e) pending filing of the proof of notice ordered herein.

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

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

3 DATED this 9th day of November, 2010.

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6 TEENA JIBILIAN
7 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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9 Copies of the foregoing mailed
this 9th day of November, 2010 to:

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