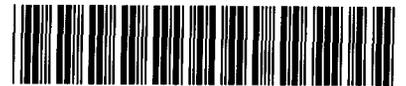


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 12 UNS GAS, INC. FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
 13 OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND
 14 CHARGES DESIGNED TO REALIZE A
 15 REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE
 16 FAIR VALUE OF THE PROPERTIES OF UNS
 17 GAS, INC. DEVOTED TO ITS OPERATIONS
 18 THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

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RUCO'S RESPONSE TO STAFF'S PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

19 The Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO") hereby responds to the procedural
 20 schedule proposed by Staff and agreed to by the Company ("Staff Proposal"). RUCO does not
 21 object to the proposed litigation schedule, but RUCO has concerns regarding the proposed
 22 settlement agreement schedule. The Staff Proposal recommends the following schedule:

23 Testimony in Support/Opposition	December 23, 2011
24 Pre-hearing Conference	January 6, 2012
Hearing	January 9, 2012

1 RUCO objects to the December 23, 2011 date for submission of testimony in support or
2 opposition to the Settlement Agreement. The date is too ambitious given that settlement
3 discussion will take place at the end of November and will be negatively affected by the
4 Thanksgiving holidays.

5 RUCO also objects to the proposed hearing schedule of January 9, 2012. The
6 undersigned will be out of the State from December 21, 2011 until January 3, 2012. RUCO's
7 analyst will be on leave from December 23, 2011 until January 2, 2012*. Because testimony is
8 scheduled for December 23, 2011, RUCO's staff will have limited time to prepare for hearing
9 before January 4, 2012. Moreover, the Commission's January 2012 meeting is currently set
10 for January 10-11, 2012. The Staff's proposed dates conflict with the Commission's Open
11 Meeting schedule. Because the Staff's proposed dates conflict with the Commission's Open
12 Meeting schedule and hamper RUCO's ability to adequately prepare for hearing, RUCO
13 objects to the schedule. Instead, RUCO proposes the following modification to the Staff's
14 proposed schedule:

14	Testimony in Support/Opposition	January 6, 2012
15	Pre-hearing Conference	January 20, 2012
16	Hearing	January 23, 2012

17 RUCO'S proposed changes are more realistic given the holiday schedules of all involved,
18 are within the time clock rules, and do not conflict with the Commission's existing open
19 meeting schedule.

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22 *Undoubtedly, the Christmas and New Year's holiday will also hinder preparation time for others
23 involved in this case.
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1 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 26th day of May, 2011

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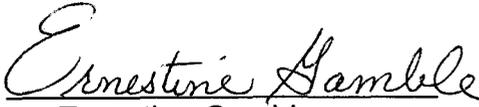
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