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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF)
SIERRA SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER)
COOPERATIVE SERVICES, INC. FOR A)
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE)
RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICES AS AN)
ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDER PURSUANT)
TO A.A.C. R14-2-1601 ET SEQ.)

COMMONWEALTH ENERGY CORPORATION'S APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Commonwealth Energy Corporation ("Commonwealth"), through undersigned counsel, and pursuant to A.A.C. Rule 14-3-105, moves to intervene in the matter captioned above. In support of this Motion, Commonwealth states as follows:

1. Commonwealth is a California corporation active in the marketing of competitive electric services in California and desires to market competitive electric services in Arizona.

2. Commonwealth has intervened in the Arizona Electric Competition proceeding, Docket No. RE-00000C-94-0165.

3. Commonwealth will be directly and substantially affected by the decisions made in this proceeding because Commonwealth anticipates becoming an electric service provider in Arizona.

4. Commonwealth has invested considerable time and resources in the development of the California electric marketplace and it desires to sell similar competitive electric services in Arizona. Therefore, Commonwealth has a vested interest as to how electric service providers are treated under the Electric Competition Rules and in the ability of electric service providers to compete in Arizona.

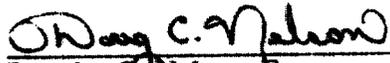
5. Although the April 12, 1999 Procedural Order required that motions to intervene be filed on or before May 12, 1999, Commonwealth urges that this Motion be granted in that it

1 will not delay this proceeding nor will any new issues other than those addressed in the Procedural
2 Order will be raised by Commonwealth.

3 For the reasons presented, Commonwealth respectfully requests that this Motion to
4 Intervene be granted.

5 RESPECTFULLY submitted this 20th day of May, 1999.

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