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**RESPONSE TO MOTION TO CONTINUE DEADLINE FOR FILING DIRECT TESTIMONY**

1 Arizona-American Water Company ("Arizona-American") hereby responds to the July  
2 12, 2011, "Stipulated Motion to Continue Deadline for Filing Direct Testimony" filed by the  
3 Corte Bella Country Club Association, Inc. ("Corte Bella"). The Motion asks for a two-week  
4 extension for parties to file direct testimony and exhibits.

5 Undersigned counsel was contacted by Corte Bella's attorney on July 1, 2011, to ask:  
6 "Would Arizona-American be amenable to an extension of direct testimony (1-2 weeks)?" At

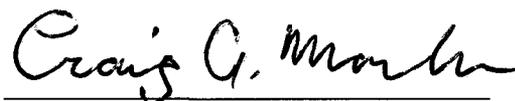
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1 that time Corte Bella had only briefly spoken to Staff on the issue and the e-mail request did not  
2 reveal what Staff's response had been. Arizona-American responded that it "would agree to a  
3 two-week extension."

4 Arizona-American expected that Corte Bella would report back on the results of any  
5 further discussions with other parties and that a formal stipulation could be completed, including  
6 corresponding adjustments to subsequent filing and hearing dates. Having never heard anything  
7 further, Arizona-American assumed that the issue was unresolved and that it could still expect  
8 testimony to be filed on July 26, 2011. Arizona-American was therefore surprised to see the  
9 motion on eDocket yesterday.

10 Arizona-American does not oppose Corte Bella's request for a two-week extension to file  
11 direct testimony, provided that all other dates, including the scheduled hearing dates, are  
12 extended for at least the same amount of time. Otherwise, Arizona-American would only have  
13 two weeks—from August 9 until August 23, 2011—to review and respond to testimony from  
14 multiple parties. This would be a particular hardship because, during that same time period,  
15 Arizona-American's regulatory personnel will also be preparing for and participating in major  
16 rate case hearings (Docket No. W-01303A-10-0448, scheduled to begin on August 17, 2011),  
17 two other major cases in Arizona and New Mexico (later in August), and an ongoing rate case in  
18 Hawaii.

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