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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

11 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
12 OF ARIZONA WATER COMPANY, AN
13 ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR A
14 DETERMINATION OF THE FAIR VALUE
15 OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND PROPERTY,
16 AND FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO ITS RATES
AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE
FURNISHED BY ITS WESTERN GROUP
AND FOR CERTAIN RELATED
APPROVALS.

DOCKET NO. W-01445A-10-0517

Notice of Docketing of Letter of Support from
the City of Casa Grande

18 Arizona Water Company (the "Company") is providing notice to the parties in the above-
19 captioned docket of the City of Casa Grande's (the "City") support, as evidenced by the City's
20 September 13, 2011 letter to Commission Chairman Pearce, of the Company's request for
21 approval of the establishment of a Distribution System Improvement Charge in this docket.

23 A copy of the City's letter is attached to this notice as Attachment A.

1 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 15th day of September, 2011.

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18 An original and thirteen (13) copies of the foregoing were
19 delivered this 15TH day of September, 2011 to:

20 Docketing Supervisor
21 Docket Control Division
22 Arizona Corporation Commission
23 1200 West Washington Street
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25 A copy of the foregoing was delivered this 15TH day of
26 September, 2011 to:

27 Honorable Lyn Farmer
28 Chief Administrative Law Judge
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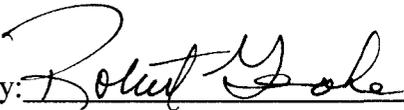
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City of Casa Grande

September 13, 2011

Chairman Gary Pierce
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Re: Docket No. W-01445A-10-0517 – Distribution System Improvement Charge
Related to the Replacement of Aging or Undersized Infrastructure

Dear Chairman Pierce:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the City of Casa Grande's (the "City") support of Arizona Water Company's request that the Arizona Corporation Commission approve the establishment of a Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") in the above-referenced docket.

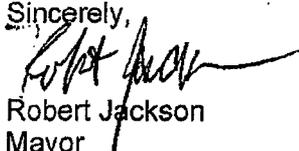
The City is concerned about aging or undersized water service infrastructure serving the Casa Grande area. Water mains and services in the oldest part of the City need to be replaced because they have reached, or are approaching the end of their useful service lives. In addition, industry design standards and the City's minimum fire flow requirements in these areas have become much more stringent since these water mains were installed. Accordingly, when older water mains are replaced they must be replaced with larger diameter water mains.

Although the City is keenly aware that the cost to replace this infrastructure may be significant, the City supports Arizona Water Company's efforts to replace and upgrade infrastructure that will help to ensure the safety, reliability and adequacy of water service.

Moreover, the gradual rate changes that would result through the use of a DSIC are preferable to larger, less frequent rate changes. For these reasons, the City requests that the Commission consider and approve Arizona Water Company's request for a DSIC for the Casa Grande/Pinal Valley area.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Robert Jackson
Mayor

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