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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
GREAT PRAIRIE OASIS L.L.C. DBA SUNLAND  
WATER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF  
FINANCING.

DOCKET NO. W-04015A-12-0050

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
GREAT PRAIRIE OASIS L.L.C. DBA SUNLAND  
WATER COMPANY FOR A RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-04015A-12-0051

**PROCEDURAL ORDER**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On February 14, 2012, in Docket No. W-04015A-12-0050 ("Financing Docket"), Great Prairie Oasis L.L.C., dba Sunland Water Company ("Sunland"), filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for approval of financing. The financing for which approval is requested is a \$125,000 loan from the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona ("WIFA"), the proceeds of which would be used to finance plant needed to bring Sunland's water system into compliance with the current arsenic standard of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ").

Also on February 14, 2012, in Docket No. W-04015A-12-0051 ("Rate Docket"), Sunland filed an application for a permanent rate increase, attributing its need for a rate increase in part to the need for additional revenue to cover the debt service for the WIFA loan for which approval is being requested in the Financing Docket. Sunland filed additional documents for and an amendment to its rate application on February 23 and March 7, 2012.

Since that time, Allen Cameron has been granted intervention in the Rate Docket; the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") has issued a Letter of Sufficiency finding Sunland's rate application sufficient and classifying Sunland as a Class "E" Utility; and the Rate Docket and Financing Docket have been consolidated with the support of Sunland and Staff and without

1 objection from Mr. Cameron.

2       On May 14, 2012, Staff filed a Request for Extension of Time, requesting that the deadline for  
3 the Staff Report in this matter be extended to May 21, 2012, and asserting that Sunland had been  
4 contacted and was agreeable to the Staff request. Staff did not make an assertion as to Mr.  
5 Cameron's position.

6       On May 15, 2012, a Procedural Order was issued granting Staff a 7-day extension of time to  
7 file its Staff Report and likewise extending the time frame for the Commission to issue a final order  
8 in this matter.

9       On May 21, 2012, Staff filed its Staff Report in this matter. On the cover page of its Staff  
10 Report, Staff included a deadline of 4:00 p.m. on or before May 25, 2012, for any party to file  
11 comments to the Staff Report.

12       On May 22, 2012, Staff filed a Request for Extension, requesting that the time period to file  
13 comments to the Staff Report be extended to May 31, 2012, consistent with the extension of time  
14 Staff received to file the Staff Report.

15       Granting an extension of time to file comments to the Staff Report is necessary to ensure that  
16 the other parties to this matter are not denied a reasonable opportunity to respond to the Staff Report.  
17 Because the date provided on the cover page of the Staff Report could have caused a party to believe  
18 that the party could not file any comments to the Staff Report, and thus not to commence preparing  
19 such comments, it is reasonable and appropriate to grant an extension slightly longer than that  
20 requested by Staff.

21       IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that **the deadline for parties to file any comments to the**  
22 **Staff Report is hereby extended to June 5, 2012.**

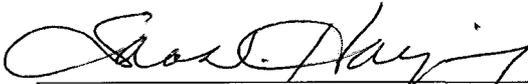
23       IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Arizona Supreme Court Rules  
24 31 and 38 and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to the practice of law and admission *pro hac vice*.

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

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

4 DATED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.

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8 SARAH N. HARPRING  
9 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

10 Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered  
11 this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012 to:

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