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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
CLEAR SPRINGS UTILITY COMPANY, INC.  
FOR AUTHORITY TO INCUR LONG-TERM  
DEBT.

DOCKET NO. W-01689A-11-0401

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
CLEAR SPRINGS UTILITY COMPANY, INC.  
FOR A RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. WS-01689A-11-0402

**STAFF'S REPLY TO REQUEST TO  
PROCEED WITHOUT A HEARING**

On June 14, 2012, the Utilities Division ("Staff") of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") filed a request that this matter proceed without a hearing in an effort to promote judicial economy and save Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc. ("Company") from incurring the additional time and expense of a hearing. On July 11, 2012, the Company filed its response to that request asserting that the Company is entitled to a hearing as a matter of right.

Staff maintains its belief that holding a hearing in this matter is neither necessary nor worth the additional expense to ratepayers. However, Staff does not object to the Company's request to hold a hearing as a matter of right.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 17th day of July, 2012.

Arizona Corporation Commission

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