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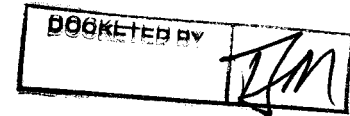
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
FAR WEST WATER AND SEWER, INC., AN
ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR A
DETERMINATION OF THE CURRENT FAIR
VALUE OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND
PROPERTY AND FOR INCREASES IN ITS
WASTEWATER RATES AND CHARGES BASED
THEREON FOR UTILITY SERVICE.

DOCKET NO. WS-03478A-12-0307

PROCEDURAL ORDER
MODIFYING FILING DEADLINES

BY THE COMMISSION:

On July 6, 2012, Far West Water & Sewer, Inc. ("Far West") filed the above-captioned rate application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission").

On August 30, 2012, a Rate Case Procedural Order was issued setting a hearing on the application to commence on April 22, 2013, and setting associated procedural deadlines.

Intervention has been granted to the Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO"), Spartan Homes & Construction, Inc., Robert C. Gilkey, Barbara S. Gilkey, Robert Rist, Rodney Taylor, Kim Taylor, Seth Davis, Barbara Davis, and Jerry S. Durden.

Numerous consumers have filed comments opposing the rate increase request.

On October 29, 2012, in Mr. Durden's Motion to Intervene, Mr. Durden requested that a public comment meeting be held in Yuma.

On December 24, 2012, a Motion for Public Comment was jointly filed by intervenors Barbara Gilkey, Robert Gilkey, Rodney Taylor, Kim Taylor, and Robert Rist ("Public Comment Meeting Motion").

Also on December 24, 2012, RUCO filed a Response to the Public Comment Meeting Motion. RUCO is in favor of the Commission holding a public comment meeting in Yuma.

The Public Comment Meeting Motion, as well as Mr. Durden's request for a public comment meeting held in Yuma, are currently under advisement.

On January 4, 2013, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed a Request for Change to the Procedural Schedule ("Schedule Modification Request"). In the Request, Staff states that Far West has requested an extension of time to respond to outstanding sets of data requests. Staff states that it does not object to the requested time extension, but that allowing Far West extra time would require a modification to the current procedural schedule for the filing of Staff's direct testimony. Staff proposed that the deadlines for filing testimony be modified for all parties.

On January 8, 2013, RUCO filed its Response to the Schedule Modification Request. RUCO states that it has no objection to Staff's proposed changes to the procedural schedule.

Staff's Request proposed modifications to the procedural schedule as follows:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Staff/Intervenor Direct	January 29, 2013	February 8, 2013
Staff/Intervenor Direct Rate Design	February 12, 2013	February 19, 2013
Company Rebuttal	February 26, 2013	March 8, 2013
Staff/Intervenor Surrebuttal	March 19, 2013	March 29, 2013
Company Rejoinder	April 9, 2013	April 17, 2013

Staff states that it has conferred with Far West, and that Far West has no objection to Staff's proposed changes.

Pursuant to the Rate Case Procedural Order issued in this matter on August 30, 2012, any responses to motions must be filed within five calendar days of the filing date of the motion.

No other party has filed a response to the Schedule Modification Request.

Staff's proposed changes to the procedural schedule are reasonable, except that Far West's rejoinder testimony should be filed no later than 4:00 p.m. on April 16, 2013, in order to allow time for the parties to review it prior to the April 17, 2013 Prehearing Conference, at which any objections to all prefiled testimony must be made.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the procedural schedule for the filing of testimony and for objections to prefiled testimony are hereby modified as set forth in the Ordering Paragraphs below.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the **Staff Report and/or direct testimony, except rate**

1 **design testimony**, and associated exhibits to be presented at hearing on behalf of Staff shall be
2 reduced to writing and filed on or before **February 8, 2013**.

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **direct testimony, except rate design testimony, and**
4 **associated exhibits to be presented at hearing on behalf of intervenors** shall be reduced to writing
5 and filed on or before **February 8, 2013**.

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **rate design direct testimony** and associated exhibits to be
7 presented at hearing on behalf of Staff and intervenors shall be reduced to writing and filed on or
8 before **February 19, 2013**.

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **rebuttal testimony and associated exhibits to be**
10 **presented at hearing by Far West** shall be reduced to writing and filed on or before **March 8,**
11 **2013**.

12 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **surrebuttal testimony and associated exhibits to be**
13 **presented by Staff and intervenors** shall be reduced to writing and filed on or before **on March 29,**
14 **2013**.

15 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any **rejoinder testimony and associated exhibits to be**
16 **presented at the hearing on behalf of Far West** shall be reduced to writing and filed no later
17 **than April 16, 2013**.

18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **all filings shall be made by 4:00 p.m. on the date the**
19 **filing is due, unless otherwise indicated above.**

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **any objections to testimony or exhibits that have been**
21 **prefiled as of April 16, 2013, shall be made before or at the April 17, 2013, pre-hearing**
22 **conference.**

23 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other requirements of the August 30, 2012 Rate Case
24 Procedural Order shall remain unchanged.

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

DATED this 11th day of January, 2013.


TEENA JIBILIAN
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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