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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA TELEPHONE COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR A HEARING TO DETERMINE THE EARNINGS OF THE COMPANY, THE FAIR VALUE OF THE COMPANY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, AND TO INCREASE RESIDENTIAL RATES AS NECESSARY TO COMPENSATE FOR THE RATE IMPACTS OF THE FCC'S USE/ICC TRANSFORMATION ORDER

DOCKET NO. T-02063A -12-0473

**MOTION FOR PROCEDURAL ORDER**

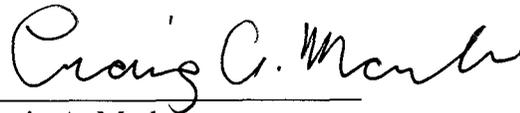
1 Arizona Telephone Company ("Arizona Telephone") moves for a procedural order that  
2 will allow new rates to be effective by June 1, 2013.

3 On November 23, 2012, Arizona Telephone filed an application to increase residential  
4 rates to the federal \$14/month rate floor that will go into effect on June 1, 2013. As more fully  
5 set forth in its application, if residential rates are not set to \$14 by June 1, 2013, Arizona  
6 Telephone will lose federal high-cost loop support in an amount equal to the difference between  
7 current residential rates and the new federal floor. This will only exacerbate Arizona  
8 Telephone's current inability to earn a reasonable return on its utility investment.

9 Arizona Telephone's application was deemed "accepted" by operation of law on  
10 December 24, 2012. Arizona Telephone asks that a procedural schedule be set that will allow  
11 rates to be effective by June 1, 2013, including a hearing date, a form of notice, and deadlines for  
12 customer notice, intervention, and testimony. Arizona Telephone suggests that the procedural  
13 order setting the schedule be modeled after the one issued on August 29, 2012, in Docket No. T-  
14 02063A-12-0302 (Arizona Telephone Company).

1 The undersigned counsel has conferred with counsel for Utilities Division Staff ("Staff").  
2 Arizona Telephone is authorized to state that Staff supports this Motion and that Staff is  
3 presently working on its Staff Report concerning Arizona Telephone's Application.

4 Respectfully submitted on January 22, 2013.

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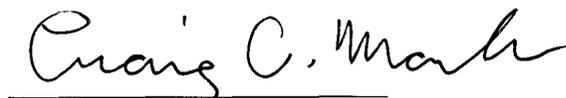
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