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IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT
APPLICATION OF EPCOR WATER
ARIZONA, INC. AND CHAPARRAL CITY
WATER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN
ACCOUNTING ORDER TO DEFER POST-
IN-SERVICE.

DOCKET NO. W-01303A-12-0427

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RUCO'S RESPONSE TO THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE

The Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO") hereby files this suggested schedule for resolution of the above referenced matter. Pursuant to the direction of the Administrative Law Judge, the parties met telephonically on February 15, 2013. At that time, the Company proposed a timeline commencing with direct testimony on March 8, 2013 and culminating with a hearing during the week of April 29, 2013. RUCO opposes the Company's proposed procedural schedule for several reasons. The first reason is the proposed schedule conflicts with existing deadlines in Far West which will be heard the week of April 29, 2013. Second, RUCO also objects to this schedule because this matter is not a rate proceeding subject to the timelines imposed by the Commission's rules. Therefore, RUCO believes this matter should not be elevated on the Commission's schedule ahead of those matters which are subject to the time clock such as TEP, Rio

1 Rico, Far West, and Global, all of which were all filed previous to this matter and which are
2 scheduled through July 15, 2013. This matter should not displace or conflict with rate
3 cases which were filed first, are subject to the Commission's time clock rules and were
4 previously scheduled on the Commission's calendar.

5 During the telephonic conference on February 15, 2013, the Company revealed
6 that it would be filing a rate case in Chaparral EPCOR in April, 2013. The Company has
7 also intervened in the Commission's DSIC settlement discussions in the Arizona Water-
8 Eastern Group, Docket No. W-01445A-11-0310. To the extent that the Company is filing a
9 rate case in this matter in the near term, there is no need to consider a deferral account
10 separate and apart from that proceeding. Second, to the extent that the Company is
11 pursuing alternative rate-making relief via the DSIC docket, there is no need for separate
12 relief, here. Such relief, if granted, would appear duplicative of the relief the Company
13 seeks in the DSIC docket. This matter should be suspended pending the outcome of
14 those proceedings. If despite these facts, the Commission wishes to set this matter for
15 hearing, RUCO requests that the matter be scheduled as follows:

16 Direct Testimony-Company: June 28 2013

17 Direct Testimony-Staff/Intervenors: July 29, 2013>>

18 Rebuttal Testimony-All: August 20, 2013>>

19 Hearing: August 28, 2013.

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