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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF FAR WEST WATER & 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

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**RESPONSE TO INTERVENORS' MOTION**

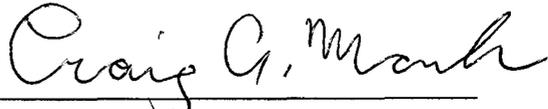
Far West Water and Sewer, Inc. ("Far West") hereby responds to "Intervenor's Motion to appoint Interim Manager and Order Forensic and Operational Audits" filed on March 22, 2013, by Intervenor Robert Rist, Robert Gilkey, and Barbara Gilkey ("Motion"). For the reasons set forth in the following two pleadings, the Motion should not be granted:

1. The April 15, 2013, response by Utilities Division Staff to the March 28, 2013, letter from Commissioner Susan Bitter-Smith; and
2. The April 16, 2013, Rejoinder Testimony of Ray L. Jones at pages 26-27.

Further, the Motion requests inappropriate relief. The March 28, 2013 Joint Surrebuttal Testimony of Robert Rist, Robert Gilkey, and Barbara Gilkey also recommends appointment of an interim manager. The Gilkeys and Mr. Rist will be provided a complete opportunity to present their testimony and to cross-examine other witnesses at the upcoming hearings. The Gilkeys and Mr. Rist will then have full opportunity to brief all issues and make final recommendations to the Commission. This is the appropriate means to raise issues for the Commission's attention. The Commission cannot provide relief without a record on which to base their decision.

For the foregoing reasons, the Motion should be denied without prejudice to the issues being raised again in the movants briefs.

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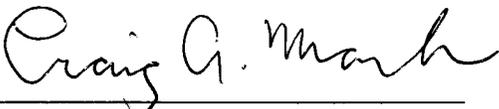
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