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Dwight D. Nodes  
Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge  
1200 W. Washington St  
Phoenix, AZ

Re: Request to Appear Telephonically on September 19, 2013  
Willow Valley System Improvement Benefits Mechanism  
Docket No. W-01732A-12-0315 (consolidated with W-01212A-12-0309,  
SW-20445A-12-0310, W-03720A-12-0311, W-02450A-12-0312,  
W-02451A-12-0313 and W-02446A-12-0314)  
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Dear Judge Nodes,

I am responding to your Procedural Order dated September 13, 2013 and request that I be allowed to appear telephonically at the September 19, 2013 hearing to sponsor the September 13, 2013 letter previously filed with the Commission. A copy of the letter has been previously distributed to all parties listed on the service list. It is also available electronically on the Commission's e-docket. The letter indicates that I would make myself available telephonically and I am willing to do so.

The round trip to Phoenix takes approximately 6 hours. I am not an attorney and am not experienced in rate procedures. I never even heard of a systems improvement benefit mechanism until few weeks ago. Therefore, I do not intend to actively participate in the hearing except to appear as a witness to sponsor the letter opposing a mechanism that will allow our water rates to increase in between full rate proceedings.

I believe all attorneys actively participating in the case were advised yesterday of my desire to attend telephonically and as of this time, none have objected. Attorneys for Staff, RUCO, the City of Maricopa and various HOAs have indicated that they have no objection to me appearing by phone. The matter was discussed with the attorney for Global, but he has not yet responded.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Gary McDonald, President  
Willow Valley Club Association

Judge Nodes  
Willow Valley Water

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