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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR A HEARING TO DETERMINE THE FAIR VALUE OF THE UTILITY PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, TO FIX A JUST AND REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN THEREON, AND TO APPROVE RATE SCHEDULES DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH RETURN.

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**STAFF'S REQUEST FOR A PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

**ORIGINAL**

The Utilities Division of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Staff") requests that the Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") issue a procedural order establishing the schedule in this case. Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") purchased Southern California Edison's ("SCE") 48% share in Units 4 and 5 of the Four Corners Power Plant on December 30, 2013. On December 30, 2013, APS filed an application for approval of a Four Corners rate rider. Under Decision No. 73183 (May 24, 2012) the APS rate case was held open to consider the prudence and rate treatment of APS acquisition of SCE's share of Four Corners.

To-date, APS has held two technical conferences on its Four Corners Application. Staff is proposing the following schedule which it believes will provide all parties with the opportunity to fully develop the record for the consideration of the ALJ and the Commission.

Staff/Intervenor Direct Testimony	June 19, 2014
APS Rebuttal Testimony	July 3, 2014
Staff/Intervenor Surrebuttal Testimony	July 21, 2014
APS Rejoinder Testimony	July 28, 2014
Prehearing Conference	July 30, 2014
Hearing Begins	August 4, 2014

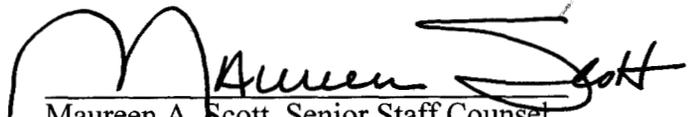
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Post-Hearing Briefs	August 22, 2014
Reply Briefs	September 5, 2014
Open Meeting	November 5 and 6, 2014; November 13, 2014 (contingency date)

Staff has sent its proposed schedule to the parties in this Docket and to the Sierra Club, which has a Motion for Intervention pending in this matter. The following parties stated that they did not object to the proposed schedule: APS; the Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO"); Freeport, McMoRan, Copper & Gold, Inc. ("Freeport McMoRan") and Arizonans for Electric Choice and Competition ("AECC"); the Sierra Club (intervention pending); Western Resource Advocates ("WRA"); Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. ("Wal-Mart"); the Federal Executive Agencies ("FEA"); Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP"); the Arizona Investment Council ("AIC"); the Towns of Wickenburg and Gilbert; Noble Americas Energy Solutions, LLC ("Noble"); Constellation New Energy, Inc. ("Constellation"); Direct Energy LLC ("Direct"); Shell Energy North America, L.P. ("Shell"); and the AzAg Group.<sup>1</sup>

Staff respectfully requests that the ALJ issue a procedural schedule consistent with the schedule proposed above.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.



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