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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
DATELAND PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, INC.
FOR A PERMANENT RATE INCREASE.

DOCKET NO. W-02027A-13-0470

PROCEDURAL ORDER
(Extending Deadlines)

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 26, 2013, Dateland Public Service Company, Inc. ("Dateland" or "Company") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for a permanent rate increase ("Application").

On January 23, 2014, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") notified the Company that its Application was sufficient pursuant to the Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C."), and classified Dateland as a Class D public utility. Staff indicated that the Staff Report on the Application should be docketed on or about April 9, 2014, and the Commission's Decision should be rendered on or before July 23, 2014, barring any substantial amendments to the filing or extraordinary events.

On April 9, 2014, Staff filed a Request for Extension to file the Staff Report, stating it needed additional time to meet with United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") representatives regarding grants the USDA provided to Dateland for system improvements. Staff requested that the filing deadline for the Staff Report be extended for 61 days, from April 9, 2014, to June 9, 2014. Staff noted it had contacted Dateland and the Company did not object to the extension.

A Procedural Order docketed April 15, 2014, granted the Request for Extension, extending the Staff Report filing deadline to June 9, 2014, and the deadline for rendering a Decision in this matter to September 22, 2014.

On June 9, 2014, Staff filed a second Request for Extension noting that Staff had received the information from the USDA, but needed additional time to evaluate the data and formulate Staff's recommendations.

1 A Procedural Ordered docketed June 10, 2014, extended the deadline for filing the Staff
2 Report to June 23, 2014, and the deadline for rendering a Decision in this matter to October 6, 2014.

3 Staff submitted its Staff Report on June 23, 2014, recommending approval of its proposed
4 rates and charges.

5 Dateland docketed its comments to the Staff Report on July 3, 2014, accepting some of Staff's
6 recommendations, but objecting to others.

7 After reviewing Dateland's comments, a reply from Staff to the Company's objections is
8 necessary.

9 If, after reviewing Staff's reply, Dateland still disputes Staff's recommendations, the
10 Company should file comments explaining its objections and stating whether the Company wishes to
11 set the matter for hearing.

12 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Staff shall file its reply to Dateland's comments on or**
13 **before August 22, 2014.**

14 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dateland shall file its comments to Staff's reply on or**
15 **before September 12, 2014,** and shall indicate whether the Company wishes for the matter to be set
16 for hearing.

17 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time clock in this matter is suspended.**

18 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the *Ex Parte* Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 - Unauthorized**
19 **Communications) applies to this proceeding and shall remain in effect until the Commission's**
20 **Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.**

21 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Rules 31 and 38 of the Rules**
22 **of the Arizona Supreme Court and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to practice of law and admission *pro***
23 ***hac vice*.**

24 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the time periods specified herein shall not be extended**
25 **pursuant to Rule 6(a) or (e) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure.**

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend,
2 or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at
3 hearing.

4 DATED this 30th day of July, 2014.

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7 BELINDA A. MARTIN
8 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

9 Copies of the foregoing mailed
10 this 30th day of July, 2014, to:

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