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2 GLOBAL WATER – SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY  
3 FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND  
4 REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY  
5 SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE  
6 RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS  
7 PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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5 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
6 WILLOW VALLEY WATER COMPANY FOR THE  
7 ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE  
8 RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE  
9 DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF  
10 RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY  
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DOCKET NO. W-01732A-12-0315

**NOTICE OF FILING SIB  
STATUS REPORT**

11 Willow Valley Water Co., Inc. (“Willow Valley”) submits this SIB status report. The  
12 Commission approved a System Improvement Benefit (“SIB”) Mechanism in Decision No. 74364  
13 (Feb. 26, 2014). This Decision requires Willow Valley to submit a SIB status report each six  
14 months. To date, Willow Valley has not constructed any SIB projects.

15 Willow Valley completed substantial pre-construction work with respect to the initial SIB  
16 projects. However, subsequently Willow Valley entered into an agreement for the sale of its utility  
17 assets to EPCOR Water Arizona Inc. Willow Valley and EPCOR Water Arizona Inc. filed an  
18 Application with the Commission for approval of the transaction on April 22, 2015. The  
19 Application is currently pending in Docket No. W-01732A-15-0131 *et al.*

20 It would be inefficient for Willow Valley to commence work on SIB projects prior to the  
21 change in ownership. Accordingly, Willow Valley has suspended work on the SIB projects until  
22 the Commission issues a ruling on the pending asset transfer application.

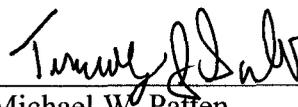
23 In addition, Willow Valley notes that the Arizona Court of Appeals, Division One, issued  
24 an opinion regarding the legality of the SIB mechanism on August 18, 2015 in *Residential Utility*  
25 *Consumer Office v. Arizona Corporation Commission*, No. 1 CA-CC 13-0002 *et al.* Willow Valley  
26 is evaluating the implications of the decision.

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