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In the Matter of the Application of Southwest Gas Corporation for the Establishment of Just and Reasonable Rates and Charges Designed to Realize a Reasonable Rate of Return on the Fair Value of the Properties of Southwest Gas Corporation Devoted to Its Arizona Operations

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MOTION FOR MODIFICATIONS TO PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest Gas or Company), on behalf of and in conjunction with, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff (Staff) and the Residential Utility Consumer Office (RUCO) hereby files with the Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission) its request to modify the procedural schedule issued June 27, 2016. Southwest Gas, Staff, and RUCO were in the midst of discussing a mutually agreeable proposed procedural schedule that they had intended to submit to the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) for his consideration. However, prior to the parties completing their proposed schedule, the ALJ issued the June 27, 2016 Procedural Schedule.

Following receipt of the June 27, 2016 Procedural Schedule, the Parties again conferred to discuss and have mutually agreed to some slight modifications that we respectfully request be considered by the ALJ. The proposed modifications to the procedural schedule are as follows:

1. Modify the due date for Staff/Intervenor Direct Testimony on rate design issues from December 7, 2016 to December 14, 2016.
2. Add a new language indicating that "The Parties agree to meet and confer to discuss settlement options on December 15, 2016, or the earliest convenient date thereafter as agreed upon by the Parties."

1 3. Due to the timing of receipt of the procedural schedule and the manner in which
2 Southwest Gas' billing cycles are administered, Southwest Gas is unable to
3 complete the customer notifications within the normal billing cycle process by August
4 1. Accordingly, to ensure proper notice to all customers and compliance with the
5 procedural schedule, Southwest Gas respectfully requests that Page 6, Lines 23 –
6 27 be deleted and replaced with the following (and slightly modified) paragraph:

7 "IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that SWG shall mail to each of its affected
8 Arizona customers a copy of the above notice as a bill insert beginning with
9 the first available billing cycle in July 2016 following the issuance of this Order,
10 and shall cause a copy of such notice to be published at least once in a
11 newspaper of general circulation in each of the affected districts in SWG
authorized service territory, with mailing and publication to be completed no
later than August 10, 2016."

12 Southwest Gas, Staff, and RUCO submit that no party will be prejudiced by these
13 proposed changes and respectfully requests the ALJ issue an Amended Procedural
14 Schedule reflecting the minor modifications noted herein.

15 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of June 2016.

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