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7 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
7 VALLEY PIONEERS WATER COMPANY, INC.  
8 FOR AN INCREASE IN WATER RATES.

DOCKET NO. W-02033A-16-0412

PROCEDURAL ORDER  
REGARDING CONSENT TO EMAIL  
SERVICE

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10 **BY THE COMMISSION:**

11 On November 8, 2016, Valley Pioneers Water Company, Inc. (“VPWC”) filed with the Arizona  
12 Corporation Commission (“Commission”) an application for an increase in rates, which resulted in the  
13 opening of this docket.

14 **The Commission has created a process for parties to a docket to consent to receive service**  
15 **by email, rather than by U.S. Mail, for all filings made in the docket.** This process requires a party  
16 to file a Consent to Email Service and send a verification email to the Hearing Division, after which  
17 the Hearing Division will issue a Procedural Order Granting Consent to Email Service.

18 Once a party’s Consent to Email Service is approved, the **party will receive all filings made**  
19 **by a Commissioner, the Commission’s Executive Director, or a Commission Division via an email**  
20 **containing a link to access the filing online.** These emails are automatically generated by the filing  
21 of a document with Docket Control,<sup>1</sup> specifically by the document’s being scanned into the  
22 Commission’s eDocket system. The party **may** also begin receiving service by email of other parties’  
23 filings made in the docket, although whether or not to provide service by email is within each party’s  
24 discretion.

25 **The Commission appreciates when parties consent to email service and encourages parties**  
26 **to do so.** Email service enables parties more promptly to receive service of filings made in a case by

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28 <sup>1</sup> There may be a brief delay in email service when a voluminous filing is made, due to the time necessary to scan the filing into eDocket.

1 a Commissioner, the Commission's Executive Director, or a Commission Division and reduces both  
2 the amount of paper the Commission consumes and the Commission's postal expenses.

3 To allow outside parties to enjoy similar benefits, the **Commission has determined that the**  
4 **Utilities Division shall automatically be deemed to have consented** to email service in any case in  
5 which it is a party.<sup>2</sup> In addition, the **Commission requests that parties cease providing courtesy**  
6 **copies** of their filings to the Hearing Division.

7 **Parties who do not consent to email service will not be provided documents filed by a**  
8 **Commissioner, the Commission's Executive Director, or a Commission Division via email** and  
9 will instead continue to receive all of these documents in hard copy via the U.S. Mail. Parties who do  
10 not opt in to email service also may not receive hard copies of some documents filed by a Commissioner  
11 or the Commission's Executive Director, such as Amendments to Open Meeting Agenda items.

12 **This Procedural Order is issued to notify parties of the process to Consent to Email**  
13 **Service and the requirements related thereto.**

14 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, as permitted under A.A.C. R14-3-107(B), **each party to**  
15 **this matter may opt to receive service** of all filings in this docket, including all filings by parties, all  
16 Procedural Orders and Recommended Opinions and Orders/Recommended Orders issued by the  
17 Commission's Hearing Division, and all filings made by a Commissioner or the Commission's  
18 Executive Director, **via email** sent to an email address provided by the party rather than via U.S. Mail.

19 **To exercise the email service option, a party shall:**

- 20 1. Ensure that the party has a valid and active email address to which the party has regular  
21 and reliable access ("designated email address");
- 22 2. Complete a Consent to Email Service using the form available on the Commission's  
23 website ([www.azcc.gov](http://www.azcc.gov)) or a substantially similar format;
- 24 3. **File** the original and 13 copies of the **Consent to Email Service** with the Commission's  
25 Docket Control, also providing service to each party to the service list;

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28 <sup>2</sup> In cases that do not involve the Commission's Securities Division, the Commission's Legal Division shall be included  
as counsel for the Commission Division involved in the case.

- 1           4.     **Send an email**, containing the party's name and the docket number for this matter, to  
2           HearingDivisionServicebyEmail@azcc.gov from the designated email address, to allow  
3           the Hearing Division to verify the validity of the designated email address;
- 4           5.     Understand and agree that service of a filing on the party shall be complete upon the  
5           first of the following to occur: (1) the sending, to the designated email address, of an  
6           email containing an electronic copy of the filing or a link to access the filing online; or  
7           (2) for a filing made by a Commissioner, the Commission's Executive Director, or a  
8           Commission Division, the making of the filing with a service certification including  
9           coding indicating that an automatic service email for the filing shall be sent to each party  
10          whose consent to email service has been approved;
- 11          6.     Understand and agree that the party may provide additional email addresses on the  
12          Consent to Email Service for individuals to whom the party desires to have service  
13          emails sent as a courtesy, but that these courtesy email addresses are not the designated  
14          email address and will not be verified; and
- 15          7.     Understand and agree that the party will no longer receive service of filings in this  
16          matter through First Class U.S. Mail or any other form of hard-copy delivery, unless  
17          and until the party withdraws this consent through a filing made in this docket.

18           IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a **party's Consent to Email Service shall not become**  
19 **effective until a Procedural Order is issued approving the Consent to Email Service** for the party.  
20 The Procedural Order shall be issued only after the party has completed steps 1 through 4 above, and  
21 the Hearing Division has verified receipt of an email from the party's designated email address.

22           IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission's **Utilities Division is deemed to have**  
23 **consented to email service for this docket using the following email address/es:**  
24 **JWagner@azcc.gov and JXHatch-Miller@azcc.gov.**

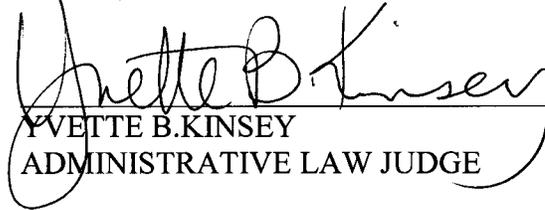
25           IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **if the Utilities Division desires for courtesy emails** to be  
26 sent to additional email addresses, the Utilities Division **shall make a filing** listing those email  
27 addresses.

28           IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a party's Consent to Service by Email in this docket does not

1 change the requirement that **documents must be filed with the Commission's Docket Control in**  
2 **hard copy with an original and the requisite number of copies.**

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

6 DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

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9 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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1 On this 7th day of November, 2016, the foregoing document was filed with Docket Control as a  
2 Procedural Order Regarding Consent to Email Service, and copies of the foregoing were mailed on  
3 behalf of the Hearing Division to the following who have not consented to email service. On this date  
4 or as soon as possible thereafter, the Commission's eDocket program will automatically email a link  
5 to the foregoing to the following who have consented to email service.

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19 **Consented to Service By Email**

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