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RE: REQUEST FOR A GRANT FROM THE SMALL WATER SYSTEMS FUND TO REPAIR AND REPLACE SERVICE LINES AND METERS TO REDUCE DRASTIC WATER LOSS IN THE ACME WATER COMPANY, LLC, THUNDERBIRD MEADOWS SYSTEM

REQUEST

Walden Meadows Community Cooperative ("Walden Meadows") as the interim manager for the Acme Thunderbird Meadows system, hereby requests that the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC" or "Commission") approve a request for grant monies not to exceed \$191,884 to Walden Meadows from the Small Water System Fund pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute §49-355. These grant monies would be used by Walden Meadows to repair and replace existing service lines and meters and to make any other necessary repairs to reduce the drastic water loss the system is currently experiencing. If not addressed, the excessive water loss in the Acme Thunderbird Meadows system will put Walden Meadows at risk of not having enough water to serve the customers of both Walden Meadows and Acme Thunderbird Meadows.

BACKGROUND

Walden Meadows is an Arizona public service corporation that provides water utility service in Yavapai County, Arizona. On its Annual Report submitted to the Commission on April 5, 2016, Walden Meadows water system serves 297 customers with 5/8 X 3/4 inch meters. As of the Annual Report submitted on May 18, 2016, the Thunderbird Meadows water system serves 125 customers with 5/8 X 3/4 inch meters. Thunderbird Meadows purchases all of its water from Walden Meadows. The Commission ordered in Decision No. 75781, dated January 3, 2017, that Walden Meadows shall be appointed as the interim manager of the Acme Thunderbird Meadows system.

SCOPE OF WORK

It has been determined that the scope of work shall be limited to the repair and/or replacement/installation of: thirteen (13) new 4-inch isolation valves to replace valves that do not operate properly or are concealed under the asphalted street, ninety nine (99) new customer meters that have processed more than 1,000,000 gallons or are projected to reach 1,000,000 gallons within the next 12 months, ninety nine (99) new customer service lines of which fifty (50) require boring and asphalt removal and replacement (the service lines will be replaced where the water pressure is highest and are located in the portion of the subdivision where the majority of the water leaks have occurred, see Attachment A for a list of the meters and services that have been identified as needing replacement, and Attachment B for a map of the system), one (1) new 6-inch master meter on the

outlet of the storage tank and two (2) 4-inch pressure reducing valves to reduce the pressure in the system to below 100 pounds per square inch ("psi"). (Cumulatively referred to as "the Projects.")

COST ESTIMATE

At this time, Walden Meadows is requesting that the Commission approve the request for funds from the Small Water System Fund not to exceed \$191,884, as detailed below, to address the Acme Thunderbird Meadows water loss issues.

THUNDERBIRD MEADOWS COST ESTIMATE

REQUIRED REPAIRS/REPLACEMENT OF WATER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE TO RELIEVE EXTREME WATER LOSS

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit Price, \$		Total Cost, \$	
			Material	Labor	Material	Labor
1	Provide & Install 4" Isolation Valves.	13	1,520	1,155	19,760	15,015
2	Boring Under Road from Customer Meter to Main Line.	50		600		30,000
3	Provide & Install 99 Service Lines. Average 25'	99	200	500	19,800	49,500
4	Provide & Install Customer Meters.	99	75	50	7,425	4,950
5	Cut & Repair Asphalt for 40 Service Line Installations.	40	100	186	4,000	7,440
6	Provide & Install 6" Meter at Storage Tank.	1	4,000	500	4,000	500
7	Provide & Install 2-4" Pressure Reducing Valves. Includes 4" pipe and fittings.	2	7,890	3,066	5,780	6,122
8	Permits & Fees*	1	175		175	
SUBTOTAL					60,940	113,527
CONTINGENCY (10%)					6,094	11,353
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST					191,884	

* YAVAPAI COUNTY RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT AND CHIPSEAL FEES

LONG-TERM PLAN

After completion of the repairs outlined above, an assessment will be made to determine if the system has stabilized or if the system is in need of additional repairs to operate within industry standards for water loss. If the repairs have not stabilized the system, an application to the Arizona Corporation Commission will be prepared to request a rate increase to fund the additional repairs required to stabilize the system and staunch the water loss.

Regardless, it is the intent that Walden Meadows Community Cooperative will assume ownership of the Acme Thunderbird Meadows system at the completion of the repairs and upon approval by the Arizona Corporation Commission.

De Wald - Lucas
Interim Manager

THUNDERBIRD MEADOWS WATER SYSTEM

PLANT REPLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Lot No.	Location	Service Provided	Service Line Replacement	Meter Replacement	Boring Required	Asphalt Cut & Repair
0	8585 S. HWY Eighty-Nine	Yes	No	No	No	No
1	8645 1 Steven Trail	Yes	No	No	No	No
2	7110 2 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
3	7050 3 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
4	7075 4 Veda Lane	Yes	No	No	No	No
5	7135 5 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
6	7185 6 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
7	8735 7 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
8	8765 8 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
9	8795 9 Steven Trail	Yes	No	No	No	No
10	8835 10 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
11	8895 11 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
11	8897 11 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
12	8915 12 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
13	8935 13 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
14	8955 14 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
15	9005 15 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
16	9025 16 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
17	9045 17 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
18	9065 18 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
19	9085 19 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
20	9391 20 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
21	7110 21 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
22	7080 22 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
23	7060 23 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
24	7040 24 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
25	7020 25 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
26	7000 26 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
27	7025 27 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
28	7065 28 Toots Turnout	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
29	7065 29 Toots Turnout	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
30	7095 30 Toots Turnout	No	No	Yes	No	No
31	7125 31 Toots Turnout	No	No	Yes	No	No
32	9390 32 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
33	9380 33 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
34	9488 34 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
35	9480 35 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
36	9472 36 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
37	9464 37 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
38	9456 38 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
39	9448 39 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
40	9438 40 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
40	9440 40 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
41	9432 41 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
42	9424 42 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
43	9416 43 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
44	9408 44 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
45	9400 45 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
46	9390 46 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
47	9380 47 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
48	9385 48 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
49	9409 49-1 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
49	9413 49 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
50	9417 50 Steven Trail	No	No	No	No	No
51	9425 51 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
52	9437 52 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
54	9471 54 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
55	9483 55 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
56	9330 56 Donald Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
57	9320 57 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
58	9310 58 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
59	9365 59 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
60	9325 60 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
61	9305 61 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
62	9315 62 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
63	9325 63 Donald Trail	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
64	9335 64 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
65	9345 65 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

66	9355 66 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
67	9365 67 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
68	9375 68 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
69	9385 69 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
70	9105 70 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
71	9125 71 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
72	9145 72 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
73	9145 73 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
74	9185 74 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
75	9215 75 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
76	9245 76 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
77	9275 77 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
78	9295 78 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
79	9360 79 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
80	9340 80 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
81	9300 81 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
82	9300 82 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
83	9285 83 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
84	9250 84 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
85	9220 85 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
86	9190 86 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
87	9170 87 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
88	9150 88 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
89	9130 89 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
90	9110 90 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
91	9090 91 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
92	9070 92 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
93	9070 93 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
94	9030 94 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
95	9010 95 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
96	8990 96 Steven Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
97	8950 97 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
98	8910 98 Steven Trail	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
99	8880 99 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
100	8850 100 Steven Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
101	8820 101 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
102	8780 102 Steven Trail	Yes	No	No	No	No
103	8735 103 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
104	8775 104 Donald Trail	Yes	No	No	No	No
105	8815 105 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
106	8855 106 Donald Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
107	8895 107 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
108	8895 108 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
109	8945 109 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
110	8965 110 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
111	8985 111 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
112	9015 112 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
113	9035 113 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
114	9055 114 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
115	9075 115 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
116	9095 116 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
117	9105 117 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
118	9125 118 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
119	9145 119 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
120	9165 120 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
121	9185 121 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
122	9215 122 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
123	9240 123 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	No	No
124	9180 124 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
125	9160 125 Donald Trail	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
126	9140 126 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
127	9090 127 Magby Drive	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
128	9080 128 Donald Trail	No	No	No	No	No
129	9070 129 Magby Drive	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
131	9020 131 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
132	8970 132 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
133	7270 133 Betty Lou Lane	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
134	7210 134 Betty Lou Lane	No	No	Yes	No	No
135	8900 135 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
136	8890 136 Donald Trail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
137	8860 137 Donald Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
138	8810 138 Donald Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
139	8770 139 Donald Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
140	7245 140 Veda Lane	No	No	Yes	No	No
141	7275 141 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
142	7295 142 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
143	7315 143 Veda Lane	Yes	No	No	No	No

144	7345 144 Veda Lane	Yes	No	No	No	No
145	7375 145 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
146	7405 146 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
147	7350 147 Betty Lou Lane	No	No	Yes	No	No
148	7390 148 Betty Lou Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
149	9325 149 Steven Trail	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
150	9070 150 Magby Drive	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
151	9040 151 Magby Drive	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
152	9010 152 Magby Drive	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
153	7435 153 Veda Lane	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
154	8980 154 Magby Drive	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
155	8930 155 Magby Drive	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
156	8925 156 Magby Drive	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
157	7450 157 Veda Lane	No	No	Yes	No	No
158	7450 158 Veda Lane	Yes	No	No	No	No
159	7430 159 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
160	7380 160 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
161	7350 161 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
162	7320 162 Veda Lane	No	No	Yes	No	No
163	7290 163 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
164	7270 164 Veda Lane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
165	7250 165 Veda Lane	Yes	No	No	No	No
166	7230 166 Veda Lane	Yes	No	No	No	No
167	7345 167 Betty Lou Lane	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
168	7395 168 Betty Lou Lane	No	No	Yes	No	No
169	7435 169 Betty Lou Lane	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

THUNDERBIRD MEADOWS

A SUBDIVISION OF THAT PORTION OF SECTION 32
T12 1/2 N, R3 W LYING SOUTHEAST OF U.S. HIGHWAY
89, THE NE 1/4, AND THE N 1/2, N 1/2, SE 1/4, SECTION
5, T12 N, R3 W, G. & S. R. B. & M. YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA

