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1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION AZ CORP COMMISSION Arizona Corporation Commission 2 DOCKET CONTROL COMMISSIONERS 3 2017 MAR 20 A 10: 45 TOM FORESE - Chairman **BOB BURNS** 4 DOUG LITTLE ANDY TOBIN 5 BOYD W. DUNN 6 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DOCKET NO. W-02369A-16-0481 7 WALDEN MEADOWS COMMUNITY CO-OP FOR APPROVAL OF AN EMERGENCY RATE 8 INCREASE. PROCEDURAL ORDER (Schedules a Hearing) 9 BY THE COMMISSION: 10 On December 27, 2016, Walden Meadows Community Co-op ("Walden Meadows" or 11 "Cooperative") filed an application for an emergency rate increase. In its application, Walden 12 Meadows states that current operating expenses exceed revenues and there are insufficient funds to 13 repair and upgrade its water distribution system. 14 On December 30, 2016, a Procedural Order was issued directing the Commission's Utilities 15 Division ("Staff") to assist Walden Meadows in filing the information required under the 16 Commission's policy for processing emergency rate applications.<sup>1</sup> 17

On March 9, 2017, Walden Meadows filed the required information.

On March 10, 2017, a Procedural Order was issued scheduling a procedural conference to commence on March 20, 2017, for the purpose of discussing the procedural schedule for this matter.<sup>2</sup>

On March 20, 2017, the procedural conference was convened, as scheduled, with Staff appearing through counsel, and the Cooperative appearing through its president, Mr. Luke Lucas. At that time, the parties agreed to schedule a hearing on March 24, 2017.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a hearing on the emergency rate request shall commence on March 24, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Hearing Room No. 1, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

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Decision No. 75743 (September 19, 2016) at Attachment A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Due to the unavailability of the Cooperative, March 20, 2017, was the earliest date to convene a procedural conference.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Walden Meadows shall provide public notice of the hearing date, in a manner acceptable to Staff, in a conspicuous location within the affected community, by emailing notice to customers, by posting on the Company's website, and/or by any other means acceptable to Staff.

Order Regarding Consent to Email Service issued in this matter on December 30, 2016, for additional information regarding the process to consent to service by email. Information regarding Consent to Email Service is also available on the Commission's website (<a href="www.azcc.gov">www.azcc.gov</a>) through the "Email Service Consent" link.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Arizona Supreme Court Rules 31, 38, 39, and 42 and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to the practice of law and admission *pro hac vice*.

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

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

DATED this 2017.

SCOTT M. HESLA

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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