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Re: WUTC v. AWRI - Docket Nos. UW-031284 and UW-010961
(Consolidated)

Dear Judge Caille:

The purpose of this letter is to request additional time to file the compliance filing set forth in the Commission's order. Under Paragraph 162, AWRI was ordered to file a tariff five days after entry of the order. That would place the filing requirement at November 6, 2004. Other than the fact that that is a Saturday, there are other reasons for AWRI requesting an extension of the filing time.

Among the reasons that AWRI is requesting an extension to November 12, 2004 to file the compliance filing is the lack of availability of the undersigned to consult with the Company during the week of November 1, 2004. In addition, the Company is considering whether or not it would make better sense to request that the Company refund (credit) the amounts that are in the Docket Account immediately and pay out the remaining amounts under the refund ordered by the Commission on a monthly basis. This requires consultation between the undersigned, the Company and the Company's accountant.

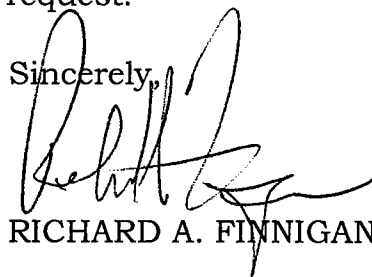
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This request for an extension has been discussed with Commission Staff. Commission Staff has no objection to the extension. I do want to make it clear that while Staff has no objection to the extension, that does not imply that Staff will either approve or disapprove of any alternative proposal that AWRI may present in the compliance filing.

Further, customers will not be adversely affected by such an extension. Given the timing of the Commission's order and the timelines for filing and review contained in the original order, the first refunds that would have been available to customers would be in the December billing in any scenario. This extension does not change the availability of the first refunds to the customers.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Finnigan", written over the typed name below.

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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