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Public Utilities Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
3930 Fairview Industrial Drive SE
P.O. Box 2148
Salem, Oregon 97308

Re: *In the Matter of Sunriver Water Company LLC*
OPUC Docket No. UI 355

Dear Sir or Madam:

On April 30, 2015, our client, the Sunriver Owners Association (“SROA”), filed its initial written comments in the above matter, raising several issues related to the affiliated interest application filed by Sunriver Water Company LLC (the “Company”) in that matter. Shortly thereafter, we received an email from counsel for the staff of the Oregon Public Utilities Commission (“OPUC” or “Commission”) indicating that OPUC staff and the Company had agreed to extend the “review [of] the AI contracts an additional 90 days.” On May 7, 2015, SROA was served with a copy of OPUC staff’s first set of data requests to the Company.

Given the stipulated extension and OPUC staff’s service of data requests, it appears to SROA that UI 355 may be converted from an open meeting to a contested case proceeding. *See* OAR 860-001-0540 (providing for data requests in the context of a contested case); *see also* OPUC Internal Operating Guidelines, page 2 (contrasting the Commission’s open meetings process where it “makes decisions based on informal comment and argument” to the Commission’s contested case process where it bases its decisions on “evidence developed through a formal trial-like process”).

SROA respectfully requests that the Commission confirm whether UI 355 is now a contested case proceeding. If so, SROA renews its request that the Commission grant its application to intervene so that SROA may participate in this contested case as an intervener party.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Josh Newton'.

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cc: UI 355 Service List

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