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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Analysis of Utilities, Inc.'s Financial
Accounting and Customer Service Computer
System.

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**THIS JOINT MOTION TO EXTEND INFORMAL
INVESTIGATORY PERIOD**

UTILITIES, INC. ("UI"), and OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL ("OPC"), by and through their respective undersigned counsel, request this Commission hold this proceeding in abeyance through June 30, 2013, and, in support thereof, state:

1. In Docket No. 110153-SU, Utilities, Inc. of Eagle of Ridge and Office of Public Counsel entered into a Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, which was approved by Order No. PSC-12-0346-FOF-SU, issued July 5, 2012, which precipitated the opening of the instant docket.

2. The Stipulation and Settlement Agreement provided that, upon opening of this Docket, UI and OPC would engage in a 120-day informal "investigative period" regarding UI's Financial Accounting and Customer Service Computer System. That investigative process involved OPC submitting certain questions to UI. UI received 29 questions from OPC in early July 2012.

3. Because UI's responses were not expected during the initial 120-day investigatory period, UI and OPC mutually filed a Joint Motion on October 17, 2012, requesting an extension of the investigatory period through February 28, 2013. The Commission, subsequently, approved the Joint Motion by Order No. PSC-12-0604-PCO-WS on November 6, 2012, thereby, holding this proceeding in abeyance through February 28, 2013.

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4. On February 5, 2013, UI, OPC, and Staff held an informal conference call to discuss the responses and ask clarifying questions. During this conference call, it became apparent that there would be need for additional follow-up questions. OPC submitted those follow-up questions to UI on February 7, 2013. On February 14, 2013, UI indicated that it would not be able to provide those responses before February 28, 2013, the date the abeyance period was set to expire.

5. Subsequently, the Parties filed a Second Joint Motion to extend the informal investigatory period on February 18, 2013. The Commission approved the Second Joint Motion on February 21, 2013, by Order No. PSC-13-0097-PSC-WS, thereby, holding this proceeding in abeyance through April 30, 2013.

6. While communication between the Parties has remained open, staff turnover at UI has led to a delay in the responses to the questions submitted on February 7, 2013. While UI has indicated that the responses could be forwarded by early May, UI and OPC jointly request that the abeyance period be extended though June 30, 2013, to allow time for any additional follow-up questions.

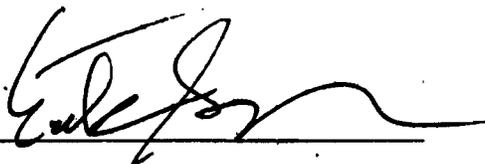
7. Therefore, by this Third Joint Motion, UI and OPC mutually request an extension of the investigatory period through June 30, 2013, to allow for any necessary follow-up questions from OPC or Staff.

WHEREFORE, UTILITIES, INC., and OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL, request this docket be held in abeyance through June 30, 2013.

DATED this 19th day of April, 2013.

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