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Cross Connection or Backflow Tariff

APPLICABLE TO:

- Global Water Santa Cruz Water Company, Inc. ("GW-Santa Cruz");
- Global Water Belmont Water Company, Inc.; ("GW-Belmont");
- Global Water Saguaro District Water Company, Inc; ("GW-Saguaro"); and
- Any other GWRI affiliated utility that files a tariff sheet joining in this tariff.
- Each of these utilities is referred to as "Utility" and will be collectively referred to as the "Global Water Utilities".

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this tariff is to protect each of the Global Water Utilities' water from the possibility of contamination caused by the backflow of contaminants that may be present on the customer's premises by requiring the installation and periodic testing of backflow-prevention assemblies pursuant to the provisions of the Arizona Administrative Code ("AAC") R14-2-405.B.6 and AAC R18-4-215

REQUIREMENTS:

In compliance with the Rules of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ"), specifically AAC R14-2-405.B.6 and AAC R18-4-215 relating to backflow prevention:

- 1. A Utility may require a customer to pay for and to have installed a backflow-prevention assembly if AAC R18-4-215.B or C applies.
- A backflow-prevention assembly required to be installed by the customer under paragraph 1 of this tariff shall comply with the requirements set forth in AAC R18-4-215.D and E.
- 3. Subject to the provisions of AAC R14-2-407 and 410, and in accordance with Paragraphs 1 and 7 of this tariff, a Utility may terminate service or may deny service to a customer who fails to install a backflow-prevention assembly as required by this tariff.
- 4. A Utility shall give any existing customer who is required to install a backflow prevention assembly written notice of said requirement. If AAC R14-2-410.B.1.a is

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not applicable, the customer shall be given thirty (30) days from the time such written notice is received in which to comply with this notice. If the customer can show good cause as to why he cannot install the device within thirty (30) days, the Utility or Commission Staff may suspend this requirement for a reasonable period of time.

- 5. Testing shall be in conformance with the requirements of AAC R18-4-215.F. The Utility may require the customer to pay to have the backflow-prevention assembly tested as long as the Utility does not require an unreasonable number of tests.
- 6. The customer shall provide the Utility with records of installation and testing. For each backflow-prevention assembly, these records shall include:
 - a. assembly identification and description;
 - b. location;
 - c. date(s) of test(s);
 - d. description of repairs and recommendations for repairs made by tester; and
 - e. the tester's name and certificate number.
- 7. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly does not function properly or fails any test, and an obvious hazard as contemplated under AAC R14-2-410.B.1.a. exists, the Utility may terminate service immediately and without notice. The backflow-prevention assembly shall be repaired or replaced by the customer and retested.
- 8. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly does not function properly or fails any test, or in the event that a customer fails to comply with the testing requirement, and AAC R14-2-410.B.1.a. is not applicable, the backflow-prevention assembly shall be repaired or replaced within fourteen (14) days of the initial discovery of the deficiency in the assembly or its function. Failure to remedy the deficiency or dysfunction of the assembly, or failure to retest, shall be grounds for termination of water service in accordance with AAC R14-2-410.

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