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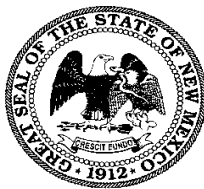
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NEWS RELEASE

AV Water Files Request for Continuance of Nov. 9 Hearing

SANTA FE – AV Water Company personnel on Monday, November 7 filed a request for continuance of the Wednesday, November 9 expedited hearing with the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (NMPRC).

AV Water's request for continuance states that "there are no known matters of disagreement with respect to a transfer" between AV Water Company LLC and the Blanco Mutual Domestic Water User's Association. The request states that an extension of time is needed to allow the Blanco MDWUA board of directors to formally meet to discuss the transaction and to evaluate whether the New Mexico Environment Department might assist Blanco regarding funding and enforcement issues.

Blanco's board of directors is scheduled to meet on Monday, November 14 to consider the transfer of the Harvest Gold water system.

NMPRC Commissioner Lynda Lovejoy issued an order partially granting the request for continuance on Monday, November 7. A hearing will be set at such time that the full Commission has had a chance to consider a new date.

About the NMPRC

The NMPRC regulates public utilities, telecommunications companies and motor carriers operating in the State of New Mexico. It also administers the State Fire Marshal's Office, the New Mexico Firefighters Training Academy in Socorro, N.M., and the Pipeline Safety Bureau.

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