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1 BE IT REMEMBERED that the above-entitled and
2 numbered matter came on regularly to be heard before the
3 Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting
4 Committee, at the Briarwood Country Club, 20800 North
5 135th Avenue, Sun City West, Arizona, commencing at 9:31
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8 BEFORE: THOMAS K. CHENAL, Chairman

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Commission, via videoconference
11 LEONARD C. DRAGO, Department of Environmental
Quality, via videoconference
12 JOHN R. RIGGINS, Arizona Department of Water
Resources
13 RICK GRINNELL, Counties, via videoconference
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1 CHMN. CHENAL: Good morning, everyone. This is
2 the time to start our hearing. I am getting here a
3 little late start, but I am sure we will make up for
4 the -- make it up as we go along today.

5 Are there any procedural matters we need to
6 discuss, Ms. Benally or Mr. Derstine?

7 MS. BENALLY: Good morning, Chairman Chenal,
8 Committee members. I do have one follow-up item from
9 yesterday that I would like to present at this time.
10 This is regarding Decision No. 73824.

11 At the latter part of the hearing yesterday we
12 shared that decision number, which was an amendment to
13 Case 120. We didn't enter it or mark it as an exhibit,
14 so I would like to do that this morning. I would like
15 to mark it as APS Exhibit 29.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Very good.

17 MS. BENALLY: Thank you.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: And again at the end of -- the
19 conclusion of the testimony we will just go through all
20 of the exhibits and we will admit them. And if there is
21 any issues with admitting any, we will still have the
22 witness testify to the additional foundation.

23 All right. I think when we left we were going
24 to finish up with Mr. Spitzkoff.

25 MS. BENALLY: That is correct.

1 Good morning, Mr. Spitzkoff.

2 AV TECH: I am sorry. Can we hold on? We just
3 had the internet drop out, so we are not currently live
4 streamed.

5 (Brief pause.)

6 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. We are back on. So
7 Mr. Spitzkoff is ready to testify.

8 MS. BENALLY: Yes. Thank you, Chairman Chenal.

9
10 JASON SPITZKOFF, KEVIN DUNCAN, and MARK TURNER,
11 called as witnesses, having been previously duly sworn
12 by the Chairman to speak the truth and nothing but the
13 truth, were further examined and testified as follows:

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15 DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED

16 BY MS. BENALLY:

17 Q. Okay. Good morning, Mr. Spitzkoff. Yesterday
18 there was a question that arose from Committee Member
19 Haenichen. So I would like for you to at slide --
20 actually, the slide deck that is up, pardon me, the map
21 that's up now, the question that was asked was the
22 length of the underground 230kV line between Avery and
23 the TSMC fabrication unit. Would you respond to that
24 question.

25 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Yes. So the distance

1 between Avery, the distance of the underground 230 lines
2 between Avery and the fabrication units will be
3 six-tenths of a mile and nine-tenths of a mile for the
4 other unit. And that would be for each circuit, so two
5 circuits at six-tenths and two circuits at nine-tenths.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Can you repeat that again,
7 Mr. Spitzkoff.

8 MR. SPITZKOFF: Certainly. And I will point
9 between Avery substation, and the one fab is six-tenths
10 of a mile, and then from Avery substation to the other
11 fab is nine-tenths of a mile.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Thank you.

13 BY MS. BENALLY:

14 Q. So let's continue on. Where we left off
15 yesterday was a description regarding the TS-22
16 substation. So if we could advance to that slide, and
17 describe to the Committee the planned buildout for
18 TS-22.

19 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Yes. And as we discussed
20 yesterday, TS-22 is planned for the future phases of the
21 TSMC project. It would also be able to respond to
22 future development of large projects in the greater
23 Biscuit Flats area also.

24 And what I am going to do with the slide on the
25 right is, in a similar manner we did with the initial

1 phase, phases, walk through what the service out of
2 TS-22 would look like.

3 So we are using the same background here. I
4 will just rereference, the two green boxes are Fabs 1
5 and 2, and then the green box on the west side is an Air
6 Products Plant No. 1. And I removed the underground
7 lines that are going to each of those purely to make the
8 visualization of what you will see from TS-22 easier to
9 visualize. You know, they will remain in service.
10 That's purely just to make the visual easier to see.

11 And what I will do is I will bring in the two
12 new green boxes that are up on the north here. And that
13 would represent Fab 3 and Fab 4. And to serve those, we
14 would bring underground 230kV from TS-22 over to both of
15 those fabs, so two fabs, two lines, total of four
16 underground 230 lines coming from TS-22 to the two
17 future fabs.

18 And with every two fabs you need an air products
19 plant. So that would be Air Products Plant No. 2. And
20 to serve that one, we will have two underground 230
21 lines from TS-22 to the new air products plant.

22 And if we continue on with the development, and
23 I brought in two more boxes to represent future Fabs 5
24 and 6, and you will see a similar service. I have now
25 brought in the underground 230 lines from Avery to the

1 two new fabs, so another four underground 230 lines.
2 And then again two new fabs, I brought in the third air
3 products plant and the two 230 lines that would serve
4 that.

5 So at this sort of what we would represent at
6 full future buildout of the project, you will see out of
7 TS-22 you will serve four fabrication units and two air
8 products plants, for a total of 12 underground 230 lines
9 coming out of TS-22.

10 And I will advance one more slide to show you a
11 simplified one line of TS-22. So those fabs and air
12 products plants represent approximately 820 megawatts of
13 load. What you are seeing on the right slide on the
14 left -- I am sorry. I will start on the right of the
15 right slide. Whoops, wrong button.

16 This is the simplified one line of the 230kV
17 bus. That would be at TS-22. And the labels of the
18 lines on the left of here show all of the feeds to the
19 fabrication units and the air products plants. And then
20 the lines on the right, the labels represent future
21 connections that are capable.

22 And then there is a couple, unfortunately it is
23 a little small, but there are a couple that represent
24 future transformers. So the one being highlighted, for
25 instance, I believe that says the 230/69kV. So in the

1 future when we need to build the 69 yard at TS-22, the
2 source of power for that 69 yard would be from this 230
3 bus.

4 And then I believe this one right up here, the
5 fourth one down is an example of a 500/230 transformer.
6 So this would be the connection where the 500kV yard at
7 TS-22 is providing the source for the 230 bus.

8 And the 500kV bus is shown on the left side of
9 this picture. So this is, again, a simplified one line
10 of the 500kV bus. And here is this top connection with
11 the 500kV connection of that 500/230 transformer.

12 So, okay, here -- sorry. This one is, this is
13 the line coming in from the Morgan side. And, oh, there
14 it is, Pinnacle Peak. This is the line coming in from
15 Pinnacle Peak. So the original 500kV line that's there
16 today goes straight through from Morgan straight to
17 Pinnacle Peak. That line will be cut into this 500kV
18 bus represented by these two connections here. So power
19 would be coming into the substation and then going to
20 the 230 bus through these transformers that are over
21 here. And that, that is what the source is for the, for
22 the power for the 230 bus over here, all of that, again,
23 serving 820 megawatts of the TSMC project. Plus, also
24 there are provisions for serving additional load as
25 development in the Biscuit Flats area continues to

1 develop.

2 So the ultimate design of TS-22 will -- it is
3 being designed for 500kV bus, 230kV, 69kV, and 12kV
4 buses. 230 and 500kV will be the initial build. Once
5 we get a signal from TSMC that they are going to move
6 forward with Fabs 3 and 4, or, again, as I mentioned, if
7 we have any other large load developments in the Biscuit
8 Flats area, it would also be ready to be constructed to
9 serve those. 69kV, 12kV, we would be ready to construct
10 those for what we would consider more typical
11 development, you know, smaller manufacturing,
12 residential development, commercial development such as
13 that.

14 MEMBER GRINNELL: Mr. Chairman.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes, Member Grinnell.

16 MEMBER GRINNELL: Yesterday I asked a couple of
17 questions regarding the potential for future commercial
18 or residential development in the region surrounding
19 your current client. And my question now really does go
20 back to that, and would any development in the area
21 affect your current client, number one.

22 And number two, in the event something comes up
23 and the trust land is sold to commercial or residential
24 development opportunities, will you be coming back to
25 this Committee for a new CEC?

1 MR. SPITZKOFF: So I will take question two
2 first. I don't expect we would be, because -- but,
3 however, that answer is dependent on the nature of the
4 client and how far away they are from the substation.
5 So if it is another significant load user and it is,
6 say, one or two miles away from the substation, and they
7 require from this substation a transmission line to
8 their specific site, for instance, you know, in order to
9 traverse from TS-22 over to where they may be, that
10 could be a need to come for a CEC. That would be for a
11 new line and a new project at that point.

12 But if there is development that does not
13 require service from lines over 100kV, if we can serve
14 them via 69kV lines or lower, then there wouldn't, would
15 not be a need for another CEC, or another amendment for
16 a CEC, because the substation would be ready to be
17 constructed and we could serve out of that substation.

18 MEMBER GRINNELL: Okay. But under your current
19 request, are you including the potential for future use
20 and future opportunities to come out of those
21 substations?

22 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes. And I will point to --

23 MEMBER GRINNELL: I didn't see it. Forgive me.

24 MR. SPITZKOFF: I will try to find it. It is
25 hard.

1 Let me -- do you have the slides? I am trying
2 to get a closer view. Because I do believe some of
3 those on the 230 should say future on there.

4 But certainly I can pick out on the 500 side
5 this top bay up here is a future open bay. Yes, okay.

6 So I see the future now are the ones in the
7 bottom, the bottom left of the 230 where I am pointing
8 now. It says future termination 1, 2, 3, and 4. So
9 those are bays that are not specifically allocated for
10 what we are seeing today either to serve down to the 69
11 or up to the 500 and would be available for future use.

12 MEMBER GRINNELL: All right. I just want to
13 make sure that we are not having to duplicate efforts
14 down the road.

15 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes. I appreciate that. And we
16 try to accomplish that also.

17 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

18 MR. DERSTINE: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Turner, I don't
19 want to keep putting off Member Grinnell's question. He
20 raised the question yesterday about the possibility of
21 future residential development on the west side of I-17
22 that may impact the corridor or be in the area of the
23 TSMC plant and that surrounding land. You are going to
24 cover existing land use and future land use, but would
25 you talk a bit about the possibility of whether there is

1 the possibility of future residential land use within
2 the project area or within the -- that might impact the
3 corridor that we are seeking from the Committee.

4 MR. TURNER: Sure. The City of Phoenix views
5 this area west of I-17 for commercial development,
6 commerce and business park. West of the Deadman Wash
7 the City of Phoenix does project some residential area.
8 That is beyond the western boundary of this project by a
9 few miles.

10 MR. DERSTINE: Can we pull up a map? I
11 apologize, if we can take Mr. Spitzkoff out of his
12 slides.

13 MR. TURNER: I am not using my land use maps; we
14 will show those later. But in general, the City of
15 Phoenix has what they call North Phoenix 3500 PUD,
16 planned unit development. And this entire area is
17 slated for commercial development. The existing
18 residential development is all east of I-17. And the
19 future residential area would be over by New River,
20 which is beyond our study limits right over here, that
21 project no future residential. That's the only piece of
22 residential that the City of Phoenix sees west of I-17
23 in this area.

24 MR. DERSTINE: Okay. And then, Mr. Spitzkoff,
25 in terms of the open bays on the substation layout that

1 you identified, is APS anticipating then future
2 commercial/industrial users and are you prepared to
3 serve those customers from the substation configuration?

4 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes, we are.

5 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Riggins.

6 MEMBER RIGGINS: Mr. Turner -- and this might be
7 something you are going to cover later in your
8 testimony -- is there any -- well, I guess starting with
9 who is going to be supplying water, is this City of
10 Phoenix supplying water to this project and project
11 area, or who is going to be the provider?

12 MR. TURNER: Yes, the City of Phoenix seems to
13 be the water provider here. When you read the North
14 City of Phoenix 3500 PUD, which is the zoning area here,
15 the City of Phoenix is slated for all the
16 infrastructure.

17 MEMBER RIGGINS: Okay. And is there any
18 projection on what use? I know just from the size of
19 this project it seems like it would be pretty
20 significant.

21 MR. TURNER: I don't have information on the
22 water usage.

23 MEMBER RIGGINS: Okay.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: A couple questions kind of first
25 for Mr. Spitzkoff.

1 Does APS have any idea of when Phases 3 and 4
2 might be, you know, started such that TS-22 will need to
3 be constructed?

4 MR. SPITZKOFF: As of right now we do not know.
5 You heard from Mr. Harrison's testimony yesterday there
6 is commitment for 1 and 2. We have not received any
7 commitment for 3 and 4 at this time. We have shared
8 with them what the timelines are for the construction of
9 a substation of this magnitude and of the equipment lead
10 times. So TSMC is aware of the lead times that we would
11 need to know for that. But right now there is no
12 timeline that they provided us.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: And what are those lead times?

14 MR. SPITZKOFF: Generally it is going to be
15 24 months. In the supply chain environment we are in
16 today, the large transformers, 500/230kV transformers
17 are running close to a 24-month lead time.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: I am interested in hearing a
19 little about the cost differential between
20 undergrounding a 240kV line -- 230kV line, excuse me --
21 versus aboveground and why it is so much more expensive.

22 MR. SPITZKOFF: I am probably not the right
23 person to walk you through that discussion.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Siri wants to seem to jump in and
25 give us the answer to that question, Mr. Spitzkoff. But

1 is there someone that could, during the course of the
2 testimony, address that, the difference in cost between
3 undergrounding and aboveground and why it is so much
4 more expensive?

5 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yeah. We will do our best to
6 try to make someone available, or if I can have a
7 conversation with someone so I am not just going, you
8 know, wild off the top of my head.

9 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay, fine.

10 MS. BENALLY: Chairman Chenal, we will get
11 someone to provide that information before the close of
12 the hearing.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Super.

14 Member Gentles has a question.

15 MEMBER GENTLES: It is a bit ancillary to what
16 we are talking about, but I am interested in Member
17 Riggins' question about the water usage. And if we can
18 get some sort of information on that, it would be great.
19 I know it is not directly germane, but...

20 MR. SPITZKOFF: And we would have to inquire of
21 TSMC for that information.

22 MEMBER GENTLES: Great.

23 MR. SPITZKOFF: And we will make that request.

24 MEMBER GENTLES: Thanks.

25 BY MS. BENALLY:

1 Q. Mr. Spitzkoff, to close off your discussion on
2 TS-22, based on our transmission planning and the
3 development that you discussed, what is the anticipated
4 in-service date for TS-22?

5 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Right now that date is
6 unknown. If we got the signal from a developer that's
7 moving forward, if we got that signal today, that
8 in-service date would be in the end of 2023 or early
9 2024, again, based on the construction timelines and
10 lead times of that equipment.

11 Q. Okay. Thank you.

12 So let's now move to your --

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Excuse me. Member Haenichen has
14 a question. Excuse me, Ms. Benally.

15 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Yeah, I am just curious.
16 These 500 to lower voltage transformers, where are they
17 made? Are they made in the United States?

18 MR. SPITZKOFF: Member Haenichen, I do not
19 believe they are. I don't, speculating a little bit
20 here, I am not -- which I probably shouldn't do, but I
21 don't believe there are any companies that make
22 transformers of that size in the United States.

23 MEMBER HAENICHEN: That's what I had heard and I
24 wanted to confirm it. Thank you. That might account
25 for the long delays.

1 MR. SPITZKOFF: It is part of it, but it is also
2 the demand for them and the time it takes to construct.
3 They are each individually built per the specs that are
4 required at the time they are ordered. So a
5 manufacturing company doesn't just pump them out and put
6 them on a shelf somewhere that you can pull off. They
7 are all individually built.

8 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Because these are millions of
9 dollars apiece, I am sure.

10 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes.

11 MEMBER HAMWAY: Mr. Chairman, could I ask where
12 they are made.

13 MR. SPITZKOFF: There is a variety of locations.
14 I know some are -- there is a company in Taiwan that
15 makes them. I believe there is one in Germany, I
16 believe. There is a factory in Mexico. I don't know if
17 they make the bulk transformers of this size. And I
18 think there might be one in Brazil. I am not saying
19 that is the total, but those are the ones that I
20 remember.

21 MEMBER HAMWAY: Thank you. I appreciate it.

22 BY MS. BENALLY:

23 Q. So Mr. Spitzkoff, let's move to your final slide
24 for this part of your presentation. I would like for
25 you to speak a little bit about the project benefits for

1 TSMC. You have alluded to this and actually have
2 testified to it in several instances up to this point,
3 but if you would make those closing remarks in your
4 testimony.

5 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Certainly. And
6 as you mentioned, between my previous testimony and
7 certainly Mr. Harrison's testimony yesterday, some of
8 these points will be a little redundant.

9 But just to recap, the TSMC project is going to
10 be constructed on approximately 1100 acres of state
11 trust land that TSMC purchased near I-17 and the 303.
12 And on the map on the right it is shown in the bounded
13 dotted area that's here.

14 A project -- I am sorry. This project will
15 create between 1600 and 1900 new high tech jobs that
16 will be phased in over a period of time. I believe
17 Mr. Harrison also mentioned, and I forgot the exact
18 number, I think it was like 7,000 construction jobs, if
19 I remember correctly. And then there will also be
20 additional jobs created through the supply chain
21 partners that TSMC will have that will be located in
22 Arizona and, you know, specifically the Phoenix valley.

23 It has been calculated the project will add
24 \$38 billion of economic output over the next 20 years to
25 the economy. And the City of Phoenix is contributing

1 \$205 million of infrastructure improvements. Some of
2 that is the streets that we talked about. So they will
3 be building out Dove Valley and 51st Avenue, to name a
4 few.

5 And also the water infrastructure, they are
6 going to be putting up pumping and lift stations into
7 this area to build out the water infrastructure for the
8 area.

9 It is not easy to say water without my New York
10 accent.

11 MEMBER RIGGINS: Mr. Chairman.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes.

13 MEMBER RIGGINS: So whereabouts are they going
14 to be putting in the lift station?

15 MR. SPITZKOFF: I don't remember exactly where
16 those are. I have maybe seen them once on a glancing
17 view of a picture of a slide.

18 MEMBER RIGGINS: Okay. So that's going to be a
19 pump and lift off the canal, or a canal?

20 MR. SPITZKOFF: I could not tell you. We, APS
21 has not been involved in the water aspects of this
22 project.

23 MEMBER RIGGINS: Okay. Thank you.

24 BY MS. BENALLY:

25 Q. Mr. Spitzkoff, I am going to take you back to a

1 question I asked you earlier, just for the record. And
2 it may have been how I posed the question. So let me
3 pose it differently.

4 This is regarding the in-service date for TS-22.
5 In APS's supplement to the application to amend, which
6 is APS Exhibit No. 2, in that filing, APS notes that the
7 in-service date for the project, which is the TSMC, the
8 Avery substation, and the relocation, is anticipated for
9 2022. And then the application, it also notes that
10 TS-22 has an anticipated in-service date of 2024, is
11 that correct?

12 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) That's correct. That's what
13 our 10-year plan showed when we filed that supplemental.

14 Q. Okay. Thank you.

15 So your statement or your testimony earlier when
16 you indicated that the in-service date for TS-22 was
17 unknown, I think you were speaking generally about
18 TSMC's development plans and that being unknown, is that
19 correct?

20 A. Well, it is a little of both. Initially in our
21 discussions with TSMC they provided just a projection of
22 dates for the fabs, you know, typical they would space
23 them out by this amount of time. But, you know, since
24 those discussions it has become clear that, you know,
25 they have stated, you know, they are not making

1 commitments for any of those future phases. So, you
2 know, until those commitments are made, the in-service
3 date of TS-22 won't be locked in, you know, until we
4 know that there is going to be, you know, load
5 development there for that substation to serve.

6 MS. BENALLY: Okay. Thank you.

7 That concludes this portion of Mr. Spitzkoff's
8 testimony. And I believe now Mr. Derstine is going to
9 step in and perhaps do a virtual project tour.

10 MR. DERSTINE: Well, I am going to do very
11 little of the virtual project tour.

12 Mr. Turner, you are going to do the work, right?

13 MR. TURNER: Yes, if I could get the AV team to
14 switch to my laptop.

15

16 DIRECT EXAMINATION

17 BY MR. DERSTINE:

18 Q. And while they are switching over, give us some
19 context and the foundation for the preparation of the
20 flyover.

21 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure. So we have basically a
22 seven-minute video. It is split into two pieces. The
23 first half of it will show the existing facility. And
24 so we will be starting in the east working our way along
25 the existing facility to the west end.

1 Q. When you say the existing facility, that also
2 means transmission line?

3 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes, sir, yes.

4 Q. Okay.

5 A. (BY MR. TURNER) From there, we will then do the
6 simulation of what the new transmission line -- or the
7 new reroute of the transmission line and the substation.
8 So you will see those simulations in there. And we have
9 linked in the actual simulations that are in your binder
10 as well to this flyover.

11 Q. And the simulations you are referring to are the
12 visual simulations about what the relocated line as well
13 as what the new substations would look like at the time
14 that they are constructed, right?

15 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Correct. Those are static
16 photographs that we have manipulated to show what the
17 existing would look like.

18 Q. And just again to remind the Committee, when you
19 are going to fly along the existing line, the Morgan to
20 Pinnacle Peak 500/230kV line, we are not going to see
21 the Avery substation. That has yet to be constructed;
22 although, there has been testimony that there has been
23 some ground preparation work done there, but very
24 limited work at this point in time. And then when you
25 are flying over the -- when you are creating the

1 simulation of the relocated line, we will see a
2 simulation of what Avery would look like when it is
3 interconnected to the line, right?

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct.

5 Q. And then you will also see a simulation of what
6 TS-22 would look like, and you are going to orient the
7 Committee in terms of the viewpoint, what we refer to as
8 a KOP, key observation point, and where someone would be
9 standing in order to have that view, right?

10 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes, I will try to remember to
11 do that.

12 Q. Okay, let's go ahead and proceed.

13 A. (BY MR. TURNER) So first off, can everybody see
14 my cursors on the screen? I don't think I will need the
15 AV help with the laser pointer. I made the mouse fairly
16 large.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Can the people appearing by video
18 see the cursor moving?

19 MEMBER GRINNELL: Yes, perfect.

20 MR. TURNER: Okay. I will start the simulation
21 and pause it at a couple places just to let everybody
22 get their bearings.

23 So we are going to be -- you can see how the
24 image is panning north here. This is Interstate 17 on
25 the right side of the image. This is the Dixileta

1 interchange. The yellow line you see underneath these
2 poles is representative of the existing facility, the
3 existing transmission line. These poles are out there
4 today on the west side of I-17.

5 Let me pause it for just a second. Actually, I
6 will pause it in a moment. Excuse me.

7 We are coming up on the Loop 303. And again,
8 the yellow line represents where the existing
9 transmission line pans. It goes along the south side of
10 Loop 303 for four poles before cutting across Loop 303.
11 And I am going to pause it here in just a second to
12 point out a few features.

13 All right. So I am looking at the top right of
14 the image, and there is a subset map. And I want to
15 point out this yellow and black icon. This is trying to
16 help us see where we are, the view. So if you picture
17 the black part as a head and some arms, the yellow part
18 is the field of view, what you are seeing on your
19 screen.

20 So in this particular case, even though the
21 image was panning to the north, we are now looking to
22 the west. And I just want to point out a few features.
23 You can still see the yellow line. This is the existing
24 transmission line that's a half mile west of I-17. So
25 basically we are close to the I-17 with this image.

1 The road you see on the left is the Loop 303,
2 and off in the background you can see another set of
3 poles that are going from south to north. That's the
4 69kV line that also needs to be moved for TSMC's
5 facility.

6 And TSMC's facility is just west of the existing
7 transmission line. And this area is what is being
8 developed. It will need to be developed on both sides
9 of the 69kV line.

10 So I am going --

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Mr. Turner, that 69kV line,
12 again, will be dismantled?

13 MR. TURNER: Yes, that's my understanding. It
14 has to be, because it is cutting right through the TSMC
15 property. It is on the 51st Avenue alignment.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: Thank you.

17 MR. TURNER: So the hills you see in the
18 background are called Deem Hills, D-E-E-M. They are on
19 the south side of Loop 303. I will pause it right here
20 for just a second.

21 On the placemat that you have in front of you,
22 the Figure 1A, the certificated Avery substation siting
23 area is that orange color. And I just want to point out
24 that that area from the Dove Valley Road alignment,
25 pretty much in the area where I am zigzagging my cursor,

1 that entire siting area extends even a little bit
2 further south than this.

3 I do want to point out you can see the yellow
4 line is extending north here. And now you will get a
5 better view, but you see it extending off into the
6 infinity as we head west. That's the existing
7 alignment. You will still see the yellow underneath it
8 as we pan.

9 So, again, TSMC's property is all of this being
10 developed. Everything you see in this image is state
11 land. It is undeveloped land.

12 BY MR. DERSTINE:

13 Q. Mr. Turner, can you pause there for a minute?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Using the map on the left, which is the same
16 Figure 1A that's on the placemat that you referred the
17 Committee to, show us again -- the existing line is
18 shown in red, but it is represented in yellow on your
19 flyover simulation, correct?

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct. We were told
21 that someone maybe had a hard time seeing red, so we
22 changed it in the image here for the video.

23 Q. All right. But orienting the image on your
24 flyover simulation to the map, can you show us generally
25 where we are on the left, on the map on the left screen?

1 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure. So again, see the black
2 dotted area. That's the study limits. It is a one-mile
3 buffer. You also see that in the subset map. That's
4 the same buffer.

5 So in this particular case, you can see where
6 the yellow is, and that puts us just east of the 51st
7 Avenue alignment, pretty much where my cursor is now
8 looking to the southwest.

9 And I apologize. I am getting some reverb on my
10 mike.

11 MR. DERSTINE: Thank you.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: I am a little confused by that
13 statement. I thought what we are looking at in the
14 image on your flyover is the red and that we are really
15 more in that area.

16 MR. TURNER: The red line -- excuse me. Yes,
17 the red line is the facility we are looking at. So I
18 think you are correct. I moved my dot a little higher.
19 Pretty much we would be at the edge of that corridor, is
20 where the camera view is from.

21 Hopefully I clarified that a little bit.

22 MEMBER GENTLES: So, Mr. Chairman, this, this,
23 so the yellow line on the right is the red line on the
24 left?

25 MR. TURNER: Yes, sir.

1 MEMBER GENTLES: It appears the line, that's
2 going to have to move further north, correct?

3 MR. TURNER: Yes, a half mile.

4 MEMBER GENTLES: And what about the 51st
5 alignment?

6 MR. TURNER: Mr. Spitzkoff mentioned that that
7 line would be relocated. And I believe it was to the
8 west of the TSMC property.

9 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay.

10 MR. TURNER: All right. Moving forward,
11 continuing on, we are looking southwest and we are
12 moving to the west. Again, we are just north of the
13 existing facility in yellow and we are coming up on the
14 51st Avenue alignment, which is where the 69kV line is.
15 The darker green you see there would be areas that have
16 more lush vegetation. Again, there are no structures
17 out here. It is all undeveloped land. The roadway you
18 see in the background is the Loop 303 as it winds around
19 the hills.

20 And we are going to pan our view now back
21 towards the east so that we are looking through, back
22 through the entire property. The hills you see are the
23 Deem Hills south of the Loop 303. That large one there
24 is called Pyramid Peak. You will begin to see Deadman
25 Wash come into the image here on the bottom of the

1 screen. It is braided ephemeral channel.

2 And I will pause it here in just a second when
3 this inset map goes away and we will point out some
4 features here. So we are at the western end of the
5 property looking east. And I am going to wait just one
6 second. And then I will pause it and have a quick
7 discussion.

8 All right. So we are all the way at the west
9 end of the property. I will point on the map over here.
10 We are right at the edge of the study limits and the
11 line. I do want to point out that we mentioned that the
12 existing power line is along Dove Valley Road. In the
13 west it does bend to the northwest and extends,
14 continues on west.

15 If we look off in the distance you can see some
16 dark spots along the horizon line. Those are buildings
17 along Interstate 17. So that's where we started our
18 view, was down in this corner, in the top right corner
19 of this image, moved our way down to the Dove Valley
20 Road alignment, and then we proceeded west on its
21 alignment.

22 I do also want to point out some dark structure
23 here in the top left of the image. That would be part
24 of the Ben Avery shooting range along State Route 74, as
25 well as the commercial district there at that

1 intersection with I-17. So this is the -- that was the
2 existing.

3 MR. DERSTINE: I apologize to interrupt you.

4 MR. TURNER: No.

5 BY MR. DERSTINE:

6 Q. When you use the term along Dove Valley Road or
7 the Dove Valley Road alignment, I don't see a road on
8 your simulation there. Is there a road, or what are we
9 referring to when we say the Dove Valley alignment?

10 A. (BY MR. TURNER) The Dove Valley alignment is
11 just that. West of I-17 it has not been constructed.
12 It is on the section line. And the dirt road you see
13 there is a maintenance road for the transmission
14 facility.

15 Q. Okay. So Dove Valley Road, there is an actual
16 road that ends at I-17. If we were to extend the Dove
17 Valley Road -- and I assume there are plans to do
18 that -- this would be the existing transmission line shown
19 in yellow on your simulation shown in red on our map,
20 Figure 1A, that would -- we would extend that out and
21 that would be the Dove Valley alignment?

22 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. The City of Phoenix has
23 some leeway into moving that somewhat north or south.
24 But from a planning standpoint, they have built out the
25 half intersection at I-17, so they expect it to come off

1 of I-17 at that location.

2 But if you look at some of the city zoning
3 plans, you will see that Dove Valley will possibly have
4 an arc in there and not stay on the existing alignment
5 that you would see with the dirt road in this image.

6 Q. Okay. And so I interrupted you. You were
7 setting the stage to take us back to the beginning of
8 our journey. And we have flown the existing line, the
9 Morgan-Pinnacle Peak 500/230 line as it sits today shown
10 in red on Figure 1A, the map on the left here in the
11 hearing room, and we are going to go back to the
12 beginning and you are going to show us what it will look
13 like in terms of the simulated view of the relocation of
14 the line. And that flyover of the simulation of the
15 relocation of the line will include some simulations of
16 the expanded Avery substation and the new TS-22
17 substation. Do I have that right?

18 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) All right. I will start it.
21 And this one will just finish here in just a second. So
22 we are going to start this simulation right at the
23 Loop 303 as we are coming into the Biscuit Flats area.
24 So the road you see on the bottom of your image is
25 Loop 303. The I-17 would be off of our screen to the

1 right and traveling north to south.

2 So we have crossed over Loop 303. These poles
3 are existing poles that remain. The substation you see
4 here is the proposed 64 acre Avery substation. It is
5 shown in the substation siting area, the previously
6 certificated siting area.

7 The green -- let me pause it here a second. The
8 green represents the transmission line. These two are
9 the new poles heading into the Avery substation. So the
10 green line you see in the inset map will be the green
11 line you see on the ground that we are going to follow.

12 Again, we are looking from just south of the
13 Dove Valley Road alignment right here. We will be at
14 the Dove Valley Road alignment in just a second and do a
15 quick simulation of what the Avery substation would look
16 like.

17 Q. And Mr. Turner, make sure I understand. In
18 looking at Figure 1A, your green line -- the red line is
19 the existing line. The existing line is not being
20 relocated or moved in order to interconnect with the
21 Avery substation. You have just shown a couple of the
22 structures that will be used to drop into Avery. Is
23 that right?

24 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct. Oh, I can move
25 my mouse. Excuse me.

1 The two turning structures here would be new.
2 The poles south of there would be existing and be
3 removed.

4 This pole, we colored it wrong. It will be an
5 existing pole that will be reused as well. We will
6 start -- I will show it here. The Dove Valley Road
7 alignment from that point north is really where new
8 poles would be installed.

9 Q. Okay. So not everything green is new on the
10 simulation you are showing the Committee right now,
11 right?

12 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I apologize. There is one
13 pole, maybe two, I can point them out, that would be
14 existing that will remain.

15 Q. Okay. But in terms of referencing the line, the
16 green line we are looking at now is the existing line,
17 that's not going to change, at least at this point?

18 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes, sir, that's correct.

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) So this is a simulation taken
21 from the Dove Valley Road alignment at I-17. The
22 facility -- so again, on the map we are at the -- I
23 didn't quite see the Dove Valley Road alignment. I
24 think it is right there.

25 So we are looking into the Avery substation.

1 The gray that you see in the image is a wall, and you
2 can see some of the A-frame structures going in. Again,
3 this is a half mile away, and the image you are seeing
4 on your screen is enhanced to pull those features closer
5 to you, sort of like a small pair of binoculars, just to
6 enhance so you can see the features.

7 So we will continue moving north. So that was
8 the Avery substation. Again, this pole that my cursor
9 is on is an existing pole that remains. We accidentally
10 put the line on here, the green line. This is the Dove
11 Valley Road alignment. Let me pause it.

12 The dirt road you see here is the Dove Valley
13 Road alignment we were talking about before. We have
14 removed the existing poles from this simulation so you
15 can just see the proposed pole. So this pole was where
16 Dove Valley, the alignment, currently extends west,
17 starts to go west.

18 We need to move the line a half mile north to
19 the half section line. And the green line now is
20 representative of new poles. We will take a simulation
21 from this area. Let me just point out two features
22 before it goes. This is a turning structure.
23 Everything here is going north to south.

24 Q. Can you use your cursor and show us on Figure 1A
25 on the left screen where we are.

1 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure. This simulation is
2 actually taken, well, the view is from the I-17, State
3 Route 74 area looking into the facility. The black
4 corner here, where you see that it goes north to south
5 and then east to west, we are looking right at that
6 corner of the black line. I just wanted to point out
7 those poles as well as Pyramid Peak. You will see those
8 in the simulation we will go to here in just a second.

9 So this is from Key Observation Point 1, which
10 was at the Dove Valley, excuse me, the Interstate 17 and
11 State Route 74 area. Oh, I am sorry. I didn't pause my
12 image there. Let me go back so you can see that again.

13 Q. And State Route 74 is the Carefree Highway as
14 well?

15 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes, sir. It is dual named.

16 So what I wanted to point out, this is the
17 simulation. The cursor is on the turning structure
18 right where the black line would turn east to west. So
19 everything you see on the left side, those poles are
20 going north to south.

21 Sorry for that message popping up. I don't know
22 how to get rid of that quickly.

23 Q. I am not able to read it. Was that your wife
24 that indicated you need to buy sugar on the way home?

25 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That was my GIS person saying

1 she is on standby for anything that is needed for this
2 meeting.

3 The poles, the line that you see where my cursor
4 is now, those are the line heading as it goes east to
5 west.

6 Again, now we are traveling west. You can see,
7 up in the inset map, you can see that we are looking to
8 the south. That yellow area is pointing south, although
9 we are traveling to the west. We are looking into the
10 TSMC facility down there. Obviously this is the
11 realignment. It is a half mile further north than the
12 existing facility.

13 And as I mentioned, we removed the existing
14 transmission line for this simulation. The tan area
15 that we are coming into is the TS-22 siting area. We
16 have a tan in this image. It is the purple area on
17 Figure 1A, or pink area, I think we are calling it. We
18 will have a couple simulations from this area. So we
19 are looking towards the southeast. TSMC would be in
20 this area.

21 The dirt road you see here is the maintenance
22 road, the 51st Avenue. It was the maintenance road for
23 the 69kV, but it is the main construction area into the
24 TSMC property now. So it has been enhanced for their
25 construction.

1 The proposed facility is what is simulated here.
2 Those are the lines you see heading east to west. They
3 are a half mile south of State Route 74. We have
4 enhanced this image so that you could see it in a little
5 more detail. I would like to point out that everything
6 in the foreground here is slated for commercial
7 development by the City of Phoenix. So it would be
8 very -- in the near future the lines may not be visible.

9 Q. Mr. Turner, when you say enhanced image, so when
10 I think about a visual simulation, I am typically
11 thinking that what I am seeing on the simulated image is
12 what I would see if I were standing there of the new
13 proposed facilities. And I gather what you are telling
14 me is that even with my glasses on I am not necessarily
15 going to see what is in your enhanced image. You are
16 making it appear larger, maybe more distinct on the
17 horizon than it otherwise would be to the naked eye, is
18 that correct?

19 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct. If we wanted
20 to be more specific, I could point out the exhibits that
21 are in the binders.

22 Q. So you are referring to a series of simulations
23 that you prepared as part of the work that went into the
24 supplement to the application to amend. The supplement
25 is APS Exhibit 2. And within the supplement AECOM

1 prepared a number of simulations. And those
2 photographic simulations are contained in the
3 supplement, right?

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct. They are in
5 Exhibit E, and this image from Key Observation Point 3
6 would be Figure E-7.

7 Q. Okay, thank you.

8 A. (BY MR. TURNER) And if you do turn to that
9 page, the very bottom image is a panoramic shot. That
10 is more typical of what your eye could see from that
11 location. I will get into more detail when I am doing
12 my land use presentation.

13 Q. All right. Thank you so much.

14 MEMBER HAMWAY: Mr. Chairman, just for clarity,
15 I am looking at E-7. And so the top image is what is
16 displayed on the screen as the enhanced version, and the
17 bottom images are what we would see with your naked eye,
18 is that correct?

19 MR. TURNER: Yes, ma'am.

20 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay, thank you.

21 MR. TURNER: So we are at -- I do want to point
22 out where this KOP is. This is taken from the 51st
23 Avenue alignment and Carefree Highway, which is State
24 Route 74. And we are going to use that same location in
25 just a second here for Key Observation Point 4. And

1 that's what this one is. This is the proposed TS-22
2 substation. You can see the tan area on the ground is
3 the substation siting area. That is the pink area that
4 is on Figure 1A.

5 BY MR. DERSTINE:

6 Q. And let's talk a little bit about the shape of
7 that substation. So you are saying it is in the pink
8 area on 1A. And in particular, what is represented in
9 your flyover simulation on the right screen before the
10 Committee is the kind of outlined blue triangular area
11 within the pink box on Figure 1A. Can you show that
12 with your laser pointer, please.

13 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. So I can't quite see the
14 blue in there, but there is a blue line that is not
15 necessarily a straight line. That represents the
16 boundary of the substation parcel.

17 Q. And do you have any insight in terms of why
18 that's shaped the way it is?

19 A. (BY MR. TURNER) This area is part of the
20 Deadman Wash. And there are two floodplains, one on the
21 west side and one on the east side, that may be altering
22 the shape of that property.

23 Q. Okay. And I think Mr. Duncan is going to get
24 into this a bit more in his testimony, but this area
25 outlined in blue within the pink triangular area on

1 Figure 1A which represents our larger TS-22 siting area
2 is the area where ASLD would like us to build TS-22. Is
3 that your understanding?

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. When I have looked at the
5 North Phoenix 3500 PUD, which is the zoning and the
6 plans for this, there are lots of different parcels that
7 they are hoping to sell. You know, some would be higher
8 value than others. And I think that this probably
9 represents one of those areas that's not as quite high
10 value or would be hard to develop for commercial or
11 something along those lines.

12 Q. Okay. Thank you.

13 A. (BY MR. TURNER) So we are looking at the TS-22
14 substation. We will do a simulation of that. I will
15 pause it there. Again, this is taken from the Carefree
16 Highway, State Route 74, and the 51st Avenue alignment.

17 The substation, we saw that odd shape to it.
18 The northernmost piece of that is about 500 feet from
19 the Carefree Highway alignment. And so obviously at
20 this point, you can see a lot of the substation. The
21 area in the foreground is slated for commercial
22 development in the future.

23 And I will start it here, but we will continue
24 on. We are panning now to the south. And we are slowly
25 going to be looking back towards the east again through

1 the Biscuit Flats area.

2 Again, this was the TS-22 layout. The green
3 line is the proposed facility. It comes just south of
4 the TS-22 substation before turning to the southwest and
5 then tapering back off to where it ties in to the
6 existing transmission line. And I will pause it here in
7 just a second.

8 So again, we are at the western end of the
9 project study limits. We are looking to the east. And
10 that's a good image to stop.

11 So what I would like to point out, you can see
12 the dirt road that was along the Dove Valley Road
13 alignment where the existing facility, the transmission
14 line, is located. What we are asking for is moving the
15 transmission line a half mile north to the half section
16 line. And this is a tapering back into the existing
17 transmission line.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: So Mr. Turner, if I am
19 understanding, where the green line stops -- which the
20 green line --

21 MR. TURNER: Yes.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: -- reflects the new build?

23 MR. TURNER: Build.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: And is, on the 1A, is right
25 there, right where the yellow hash marks stop?

1 MR. TURNER: Sure. Where the red line and black
2 line come together would be where that tie-in would take
3 place.

4 CHMN. CHENAL: Right there. Okay, thank you.

5 MR. TURNER: So again, we are looking back
6 through the Biscuit Flats area. TSMC's facility would
7 be located in this general area. As we mentioned, their
8 parcel creeps further north than the Dove Valley Road
9 alignment, which is this stretch here. Loop 303 is just
10 barely on the image on the right edge and you can see it
11 goes off. Because there is no development in this area,
12 it is -- we still have the Avery substation shown in
13 this simulation. It is off in the distance in the back.
14 But given TSMC is out there already constructing, it is
15 highly unlikely that we would be able to see that from
16 this location.

17 And I think I have gone over the notes that I
18 wanted to cover.

19 BY MR. DERSTINE:

20 Q. Can you take us back to the TS-22 substation for
21 a minute.

22 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Okay. I will try.

23 Q. And once we kind of are over the top of that, I
24 don't know if you need to go back a little further, I
25 wanted to -- seemed to me there was an image where we

1 could kind of see it, the layout, a little more.

2 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I think it is coming up.

3 Q. Okay.

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I think it is this. I may not
5 get all of it in there.

6 Q. I think that's -- well, let it run a little bit,
7 see if it moves away and we are able to see it.

8 Okay. Maybe it was an earlier.

9 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I can go back.

10 Q. Yeah, go back. Because what I would like to do
11 is have Mr. Spitzkoff, I know he likes to talk about his
12 one line drawings, but frankly I can't make heads or
13 tails out of those things, and what I would like to do
14 is have Mr. Spitzkoff talk a little bit about -- I
15 understand this is a representation of TS-22, it is
16 certainly not an engineering or final engineering
17 design, but if Mr. Spitzkoff can talk a little bit about
18 what is represented there and what the layout of the
19 TS-22 substation would look like as shown on the visual
20 simulation.

21 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Certainly, I can do that.
22 Mr. Derstine would have failed my class as many times as
23 we have gone over this.

24 So this area in the foreground, this would be
25 the 12kV portion. And then next to it here --

1 Oh. Can you use the mouse?

2 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Oh, yeah, I can use the mouse.
3 Excuse me.

4 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) So this would be the 12kV.
5 This would be the 69kV. These facilities are smaller
6 and shorter, you know, being lower voltage. Then you
7 get into the 230kV, would be all of this. And that was,
8 on the simplified one line that I showed earlier, that
9 would have been what was on the right side of that
10 picture. And then the area in the back here would be
11 the 500kV bus. And that would have been on the left
12 side of the structure -- left side of the picture.

13 Q. Yesterday the Chairman raised the question, and
14 I think it is important that we cover it. So our
15 corridor really just nudges up to a portion of the
16 triangular area outlined in blue within the pink on
17 Figure 1A, which, again, is kind of the irregular shaped
18 area where ASLD would like APS to build TS-22.

19 Do you have any concerns that the corridor
20 doesn't go north enough to allow us to get into TS-22,
21 if that is ultimately the site that's selected for the
22 substation?

23 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) So I believe this, the
24 corridor and this site overlap, that will allow for that
25 connection. And I will visualize with the 230 and 500kV

1 lines generally running in this and then it takes a turn
2 in this direction. The 230 bus structures are down
3 close to where the line is. And that's where the
4 connections will be made down there.

5 And similar with the 500kV, it is the bus
6 structures will be into -- and I will move to the
7 picture. The 500kV will be on the bottom part of that
8 blue, which is inside the corridor. So the bottom of
9 the 500kV and the bottom of the 230kV would be inside
10 that corridor.

11 Q. So the 500kV and the 230kV element of the
12 substation, the transformers, the bays, that are in that
13 southern piece, and that's the corridor that we are
14 proposing for the amendment to CEC 131, will still allow
15 us to relocate the line within the requested corridor
16 and still have connectivity to the TS-22 substation if
17 it is finally sited within the triangular area shown on
18 Figure 1A?

19 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) If that was a question, yes.

20 Q. Yes.

21 CHMN. CHENAL: Let me stop. I am not sure I
22 understand the question. I think what I am hearing is
23 the portions of the substation devoted to the 230kV and
24 the 500kV are within the corridor that's depicted in
25 yellow on 1A, is that correct?

1 MR. SPITZKOFF: Correct.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay.

3 MR. SPITZKOFF: Well, I apologize. Not the
4 entirety of the 230 is within there.

5 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. So the 12, the 69, and a
6 portion of the 230 substation will be outside of the
7 corridor?

8 MR. SPITZKOFF: Correct. The 12 and the 69 are
9 more in the top, the top part of that triangle. The 230
10 being, you know, rather long, part of it will be -- you
11 know, it comes down starting at the top and comes down
12 that east side. And then the 500kV is all on the west,
13 southwest corner there.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: Yeah. I raise the issue, and I
15 am -- not to interrupt you, Mr. Derstine, I know you
16 probably have some more testimony, but I think the -- I
17 guess the question is, and I really haven't thought
18 about it that much, but the portion of the substation
19 for which the -- we are -- you are asking the Committee
20 for and the Commission has directed the Committee to
21 make a recommended order regarding the substation,
22 TS-22, and, you know, I did pose the question yesterday,
23 a portion of the substation is outside of the corridor,
24 the proposed corridor, and I just -- I ask the question
25 out loud, and I really haven't thought about it, what

1 effect that has, given the application and the legal
2 effect of that.

3 MR. DERSTINE: The corridor that we have
4 requested and the way it was described in 131 was the
5 area for siting the transmission line. 131 -- and, you
6 know, Ms. Benally will correct me if I am wrong, but
7 there was not a specific description of the substation
8 location within 131. There was a similar with 120, it
9 described a larger site, a larger acreage, but it didn't
10 specify the exact location of the substation.

11 So my way of thinking about the amendments to
12 131 are that the corridor gives us the area in which to
13 relocate the Morgan to Pinnacle Peak line. And 131 was
14 express that it authorized us to build two substations,
15 but not three. The two are already either planned or
16 have been constructed.

17 So the authorization that we are seeking in the
18 amendment that we are seeking that you will see in the
19 ROO is to change the number two to three. And, you
20 know, we certainly can talk about how to describe that
21 or whether it needs to specifically be described in
22 terms of, you know, a legal or some sort of a
23 description on the map about where it is going to be
24 placed.

25 But it gets back to, again, our view that ASLD

1 is the landowner. They are going to drive and determine
2 where we get to build TS-22. Ultimately ASLD will
3 determine where we get right-of-way for the relocated
4 line. So long as it meets the distance separation from
5 TSMC, then really ASLD is going to determine where that
6 line gets placed.

7 So we are asking for a corridor to give us the
8 ability to work that out with ASLD not only for the
9 location of the line. Where we place the substation,
10 again, will be determined by ASLD. Those negotiations
11 are ongoing. But we don't have -- 131 didn't specify or
12 call out, to my recollection, a specific location for
13 the substation.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: Here is a couple thoughts, and I
15 think we can work through this, but a couple thoughts.
16 Number one, I don't know why 120 and 131 didn't call out
17 the corridors. I mean in our CECs we have issued, I
18 mean for a number of years now, I mean we lay out where
19 the corridors are for the lines and the substations.

20 Part of the concern I would normally have, not
21 so much in this case, is the application that was filed
22 and where the substation was depicted in the
23 application. But here the only landowner is the Arizona
24 State Land Department. So I am not as concerned about
25 the notice, I mean because they did get notice and it is

1 not going to affect, you know, other landowners. So --

2 MR. DERSTINE: Yeah, there is -- Ms. Benally is
3 directing me to the map that was attached to 131. And
4 so the description of the substation, the two
5 substations that were authorized in that case are with a
6 section and a township and a range general description,
7 and it is also identified as a shaded area within the
8 block.

9 But as you will see, we can pull this up at some
10 point when we are looking at the recommended opinion and
11 order or when looking at the red line of 131, you can
12 see how they addressed it in 131 and then how this
13 Committee wants to address the location of those
14 facilities through this amendment process.

15 But there is a -- the substation location say
16 for TS-9, we are generally within the corridor;
17 although, it did extend beyond the corridor to some
18 extent, not unlike what we are proposing here.

19 CHMN. CHENAL: And can you remind the Committee,
20 the application that was filed in this case, how did it
21 describe or depict the location of TS-22?

22 MR. DERSTINE: The original application to
23 amend, I would have to go back and see if it specified
24 it, but certainly the supplement, as Member Noland
25 pointed out, originally had a rectangular box for the

1 TS-22 siting area. It is squared off. The pink box is
2 shown on Figure 1A. The evolution was that it became
3 more of this pointy triangular figure, which is the
4 preferred location within the pink area that -- it
5 changed the siting area to some degree, but still keeps
6 it generally within that same area.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Was the original, and in the
8 original application, the siting area for TS-22, did it
9 extend outside of the corridor?

10 MR. DERSTINE: Yes.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: It did, okay. All right. Well,
12 again, my concern is not so great, and I am thinking of
13 notice to the public of where this TS-22 substation is
14 going to be. It was noticed, this hearing was noticed
15 on the premise that it would be within a certain siting
16 area. And now it is being extended. Your supplement
17 did call out, right, the larger siting area, and we are
18 only dealing with one landowner, the Arizona State Land
19 Department. So I think we are okay. But I would say
20 that, consistent with our CECs generally and the ROOs
21 that we have issued, you know, we want to call out the
22 location of TS-22, the corridor for where it might be
23 built.

24 Member Noland.

25 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

1 I was wondering, rather than dance around where
2 the 230kV and the 500 are, could we extend the corridor
3 to the north to encompass the triangle portion
4 completely, and move it up from the south? Because you
5 are not -- you don't need it that far south. Just some
6 thoughts, just so it is included, the entire site is
7 included within a corridor.

8 MR. DERSTINE: Member Noland, I think we can do
9 that.

10 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: That's --

12 MEMBER GRINNELL: Mr. Chairman.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes, Member Grinnell.

14 MEMBER GRINNELL: Will you be in the development
15 of this project short term, potentially long term,
16 taking some of these 69kV lines and adding them and
17 reducing the number of poles in the area, or are we
18 going to -- is all the 230/500 going underground and all
19 the 69s staying aboveground?

20 Did you all hear me?

21 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes. Counsel is conferring right
22 now, Mr. Grinnell --

23 MEMBER GRINNELL: Oh, I am sorry.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: -- for the applicants.

25 MR. DERSTINE: I apologize, Member Grinnell.

1 Can you restate your question for me.

2 MEMBER GRINNELL: Right. Presently I am seeing
3 from the two substations everything going into your
4 client here are going in underground, is that correct?

5 MR. DERSTINE: Mr. Spitzkoff can address that.
6 But I think from each substation, the feeders that will
7 be directly connected to the TSMC fabs, and again the
8 first phase only involves the connection at Avery, will
9 be undergrounded.

10 Do I have that right, Mr. Spitzkoff?

11 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes.

12 MEMBER GRINNELL: All right. If that's the
13 case, any future developments outside of this particular
14 client, are we going to continue seeing a bunch of poles
15 in the area, or are you going to be somehow piggybacking
16 the smaller kV lines with the larger 230 or 500kV lines,
17 poles?

18 MR. SPITZKOFF: So the 500/230kV poles being
19 double circuit as they are, the span distance cannot
20 accommodate underbuild of 69kV. So if there happens to
21 be 69kV line needs that would be going east to west
22 similar to the 500/230 line, those would be constructed
23 on their own, their own poles.

24 The existing 69 lines that are out there that we
25 will be rerouting to the west of the TSMC property, they

1 are already double circuit 69kV. So there are already
2 two 69kV circuits on those. And they are also traveling
3 perpendicular to the 500/230, yeah.

4 MEMBER GRINNELL: Okay. Thank you,
5 Mr. Chairman. I am finished.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure.

7 MR. DERSTINE: Would the Committee like -- I
8 know sometimes you would like to see another faster
9 review of the flyover simulation. Would that be of
10 benefit, or do you want to do that later?

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Let's do it later. I think it is
12 time for a break. I mean we have been going at it for
13 an hour and a half. Let's take a 15-minute break and we
14 can ask the Committee if they would like to see the
15 simulation just once straight through.

16 Member Haenichen.

17 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Yeah. I just wanted to make
18 a suggestion. It has nothing to do with this case, but
19 for future simulations -- this is for you, Mr. Turner --
20 it would be helpful if you had a little box up in one of
21 the corners with an arrow that changes direction so it
22 is always pointing in, let's say, north. That way we
23 could have a better feel for what we are looking at.

24 MR. TURNER: Thank you. Something always
25 pointing north?

1 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Well, pointing in any fixed
2 direction so that we have a reference point.

3 MR. TURNER: Thank you.

4 MEMBER HAENICHEN: And it would have to rotate
5 as you scan.

6 MR. TURNER: I scan.

7 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Is that possible to do?

8 MR. TURNER: Yes.

9 MEMBER HAENICHEN: I think that would be very
10 helpful.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Let's take our
12 15-minute break. And we will resume when we come back.
13 Thank you.

14 (A recess ensued from 10:57 a.m. to 11:32 a.m.)

15 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. This is the time for
16 resumption of our hearing, the morning portion.

17 Mr. Derstine, if you want to proceed.

18 MR. DERSTINE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

19 BY MR. DERSTINE:

20 Q. So Mr. Duncan, let's -- I think the next
21 chapters in our case are going to fall to you. We have
22 got a bit of time before the scheduled noon recess. We
23 will see how far we get and where we are at a good
24 stopping point.

25 You are sworn. You are under oath. You have

1 been introduced to the Committee. As a reminder, you
2 were the project manager for the Biscuit Flats
3 relocation project, right?

4 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, that's correct.

5 Q. And as the project manager, I think you ticked
6 off some of your responsibilities, but you are
7 essentially responsible for overseeing or coordinating
8 all the things that have to happen in order to get us to
9 today, to get us to this hearing, right?

10 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes.

11 Q. You have a lot of experience. You detailed your
12 background and experience on day one; you have been
13 involved with a number of projects. But this project
14 has been a bit different in terms of it has had
15 something of an accelerated timeline, hasn't it?

16 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes. But APS has worked hard
17 to meet our customer's needs.

18 Q. And that accelerated timeline is one of the
19 things that, you know, I mentioned in my opening and we
20 will get into it in your testimony, that there are still
21 some details that have yet to be worked out in terms of
22 specific location, say, for example, the TS-22
23 substation and the final right-of-way or the location of
24 the relocated line segment. But that's all due to kind
25 of the timeline that we are on, and those things are

1 happening as we are moving forward and seeking approval
2 of these amendments, right?

3 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yeah, that's correct. But, you
4 know, as you mentioned before, those decisions will all
5 need to be in coordination with the Arizona State Land
6 Department.

7 Q. Okay. Well, with that background, I think your
8 first chapter or your section has to do with the project
9 description and planning. Let's start with an overview
10 of the project. The Committee should be familiar with
11 those elements, but let's cover them again.

12 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) I just need the slides set up
13 so I can advance them.

14 Q. Is your clicker working, Mr. Duncan?

15 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) No, it is not. Okay, yes, it
16 is now.

17 Q. Great. So project description, start us off.

18 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) You bet. So I know we have
19 already talked a great deal about Figure 1A, but I will
20 be making reference to this so I would like to take just
21 a few minutes to orient the Committee to the features
22 again shown here.

23 So I-17 here shown on the right side of the map
24 runs north and south. That is on the eastern side of
25 our study area.

1 CHMN. CHENAL: Mr. Duncan, you can give a pretty
2 quick summary because I think we could do this by heart
3 at this point. We are pretty familiar with it. So
4 maybe just summarize this portion of it.

5 MR. DUNCAN: You bet.

6 So the specific features, I would just like to
7 remind that the red line indicates the existing
8 transmission line, the black line is our proposed
9 relocated segment. The TS-22 substation siting area is
10 shown in the pink. The Avery substation is shown here
11 in green. And again, the stipple area here, or the
12 dotted pattern, indicates the TSMC facility.

13 BY MR. DERSTINE:

14 Q. Okay.

15 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) So our project -- again, this
16 has been stated previously as well -- is to relocate an
17 approximate 3.5 mile section of the existing Morgan to
18 Pinnacle Peak 500/230kV transmission line approximately
19 a half mile to the north of the existing location, also
20 to add the TS-22 substation within our proposed TS-22
21 substation siting area shown in pink, and to expand the
22 plant and permitted Avery substation, again shown here
23 in green.

24 Q. Okay. So that's the project description. That
25 essentially is the purpose and need for this project.

1 Let's turn to kind of the planning process that you used
2 to come up with what is shown on Figure 1A, the map.

3 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yeah. Thank you.

4 So even though the project does involve the
5 amendment of two existing CECs, we chose to follow a
6 typical line siting process. And our first step
7 involved the identification of a study area which we
8 felt would include all reasonable and feasible
9 alternatives. The study area, as has been mentioned
10 previously, is shown in the solid dotted or black
11 dotted, dashed line surrounding our project.

12 And in following this step we identified a range
13 of compatible routes for the line relocation as well as
14 the suitable substation siting areas. And it has been
15 mentioned previously many times that this has been a
16 developing process, and this was all done in conjunction
17 with various stakeholders, in particular the Arizona
18 State Land Department.

19 Through the initial stakeholder outreach,
20 engineering/constructibility review, and preliminary
21 environmental review, we identified several specific
22 alternative routes that were very similar, but
23 different, that were identified for continued detailed
24 study. And through this detailed study, along with the
25 results of the engineering/constructibility review, and

1 incorporating stakeholder outreach, again primarily with
2 the Arizona State Land Department, we identified the
3 proposed route, which again is shown here in black.

4 Q. Okay. Let's turn to that route that you came up
5 with through the planning process. And again, kind of
6 give the details of that route and why it is
7 generally -- why we are proposing it be located within
8 the corridor and where it is generally.

9 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yeah. So again, it is located
10 approximately half a mile north of the existing line.
11 And the bulk of the east-west portion is placed along
12 the section line -- half section line, excuse me,
13 between the Dove Valley Road alignment and State Route
14 74, State Route 74 here at the northern edge of our
15 study area, and the Dove Valley Road alignment right
16 through the middle east to west on our study area.

17 And primarily -- or I should not say primarily.
18 Exclusively this route crosses 100 percent Arizona state
19 trust land.

20 Q. All right. So on your Slide 97 here on the left
21 screen here in the hearing room, the route is three and
22 a half miles in length, as you indicated, about a half
23 mile north of the existing line, and, again, as we have
24 said a number of times, 100 percent on state trust land?

25 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

1 Q. You mentioned, I don't know that anyone has
2 touched on it before, but the proposed relocation line
3 segment, the location shown in black on Figure 1A on the
4 right screen, that's on the half section line, is that
5 right?

6 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct. As I point to
7 the map here, between the turn at the eastern side all
8 the way to where it makes its jog to the south is all
9 placed on that half section line between the Dove Valley
10 Road alignment and State Route 74.

11 Q. Okay. And that half section line location, is
12 that something that you came up with, or is that coming
13 from the direction from ASLD?

14 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) In coordination with our
15 stakeholder, the Arizona State Land Department, this was
16 identified as a preferred alignment by the Arizona State
17 Land Department.

18 Q. Okay. That has yet to be finalized and
19 ultimately you will have to, you know, work out the
20 exact location and obtain the right-of-way from State
21 Land, but that is their preference, that is, in terms of
22 the black line, what is shown on Figure 1A is State
23 Land's preference for the location of the line within
24 our 3,000-foot corridor?

25 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, that's correct.

1 Q. And I think as Member Noland and the Chairman
2 and the other members of the Committee have indicated,
3 although our corridor extends further south and even
4 overlaps to some degree the TSMC project area, we are
5 not -- we need to put the line at a minimum a thousand
6 feet off the boundary line from the TSMC land, right?

7 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, that's correct.

8 Q. Okay. So you are transitioning to this next
9 section corridor and right-of-way, so give the Committee
10 the details on the corridor.

11 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Thank you.

12 So yes, we are proposing a -- and this has been
13 talked about previously as well, but this is a 3,000
14 foot wide corridor that I am showing here that is a
15 yellow hatched area. That 3,000-foot corridor is based
16 on the Dove Valley Road alignment, which I am showing
17 here east to west, along the portions of the existing
18 route and from that point at the southern end of our
19 3,000-foot corridor to a point 3,000 feet at the
20 northern end. And this corridor is bounded on the west
21 by the point where we would reconnect with the existing
22 line, and on the east at a point about a thousand feet
23 east of our route.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

25 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

1 Mr. Duncan, is the corridor designated going
2 north-south for the substation, Avery substation, is
3 that the existing corridor from the previous case?

4 MR. DUNCAN: Yes. On this particular map --
5 this is, again, Figure 3B -- the area that's shown with
6 this gray shading that I am now outlining all the way
7 here to the west and then to the north and south, that
8 gray indicates the previously certificated corridor.

9 MEMBER NOLAND: So then the hash marked is a new
10 corridor, is that correct?

11 MR. DUNCAN: Yes, that's our proposed corridor.

12 Oh, I am sorry. Jason is indicating this
13 hatched area which is shown in orange and is sloping to
14 the left is indicative of the previously certificated
15 Avery substation siting area. That is not part of the
16 previous corridor for the route.

17 MEMBER NOLAND: Okay. Now you have totally
18 confused me.

19 MR. DUNCAN: Okay.

20 MEMBER NOLAND: The hash mark area is a new
21 corridor, or is it part new, part old?

22 MR. DUNCAN: The yellow hashed area that I am
23 now doing an outline at --

24 MEMBER NOLAND: Yeah, but I am not talking about
25 that one.

1 MR. DUNCAN: Okay.

2 MEMBER NOLAND: I am talking the north-south
3 covering the Avery substation.

4 MR. DUNCAN: Yes. This area shown in orange
5 with the hatching sloping to the left is from CEC 120.
6 That is indicative of the area that was previously
7 certificated as the Avery substation siting area. That
8 is not part of our proposed corridor.

9 MEMBER NOLAND: Mr. Chairman, I am still
10 confused.

11 What is the gray area then? Is that the
12 previous?

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Let me see if I can explain it,
14 because I had to think about this myself.

15 There was a corridor for the substation, or
16 certificated area for the substation. And then there
17 was a corridor for the transmission line. And if I am
18 understanding, the gray area that you see was the old
19 corridor for the transmission line, and the hatched area
20 that's around the Avery substation was the old siting
21 area for the Avery substation. They are not one and the
22 same. Just as in this case, the corridor for the
23 transmission line is different than the certificated
24 area for the TS-22 substation.

25 Does that help?

1 MEMBER NOLAND: I am good.

2 MEMBER HAENICHEN: You caved.

3 MR. DERSTINE: To confirm the Chairman's
4 description, we are making copies of CEC 131 and 120 so
5 you will have the benefit of seeing how they were
6 described in that particular case. And I think that
7 will be helpful.

8 But in general, there was a description of a
9 corridor for the placement of the transmission line and
10 then a description, a larger general description of a
11 substation site based on township and range call-outs,
12 and section. And then the placement of, in this case,
13 Avery substation was located within the larger
14 substation site, which is the hashed area you were
15 referring to, Member Noland.

16 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

17 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Mr. Chairman.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

19 MEMBER HAENICHEN: I just need one more
20 clarification. The gray elbow, I will call it, or
21 figure, what was the purpose of the vertical portion of
22 that, which encompasses part of the substation, the
23 proposed substation, what was the purpose for that in
24 the original case?

25 MR. DUNCAN: Okay. To answer your question,

1 Mr. Haenichen, the gray is a portion that extends beyond
2 the confines of this map of the Morgan to Pinnacle Peak
3 project certificated in CEC 131. And the north-south is
4 a portion of the part of the alignment that goes between
5 where Avery is indicated here in green and the Pinnacle
6 Peak substation, which is beyond the confines of this
7 map. So the gray is a small portion of that entire
8 certificated area.

9 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. Use your pointer to
10 show us where. I know it is off the map, but where is
11 the Pinnacle?

12 MR. DUNCAN: Yes. So in this inset map, we have
13 this black box, which is indicative of the area that is
14 shown in the larger portion of the map here. And as you
15 can see, the CEC 131 line continues to the south and
16 then to the east to the Pinnacle Peak substation, which
17 is approximately in this area on this --

18 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay.

19 MR. DUNCAN: -- subset map, and also to the west
20 up to the Morgan substation, which is to the west of
21 this map area.

22 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. And that transmission
23 line that's in that area you just talked about exists
24 now?

25 MR. DUNCAN: Yes.

1 BY MR. DERSTINE:

2 Q. So looking at your slide, Slide 101, what is
3 described in that hashed rectangle is the 3,000-foot
4 corridor that covers the entirety of the realigned
5 segment of the existing line, right?

6 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

7 Q. And your second bullet there says the corridor's
8 southern boundary is Dove Valley Road alignment. Show
9 the Committee that, please.

10 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) This, where I am pointing right
11 now, is the Dove Valley Road alignment. This was
12 described in earlier testimony. Dove Valley Road is an
13 existing road up to the I-17. But west of the I-17
14 through this area, there is no road, but it is what we
15 refer to as the Dove Valley Road alignment. And our
16 corridor is 3,000 feet north of that point.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

18 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. Just one last
19 question. Although the TSMC land is not depicted on
20 this particular picture, am I correct in saying that the
21 northern east-west portion of the line of that TSMC
22 property is north of the Dove Valley Road --

23 MR. DUNCAN: You are correct.

24 MEMBER HAENICHEN: -- alignment?

25 MR. DUNCAN: Yes.

1 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay.

2 BY MR. DERSTINE:

3 Q. All right. And the last bullet on your
4 Slide 101 you will be requesting right-of-way from ASLD
5 of 150 feet?

6 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, that's correct.

7 Q. There was a question yesterday about once --
8 assuming this Committee decides to approve an amendment
9 which permits the relocation of the three and a half
10 mile segment of the Morgan-Pinnacle Peak line, what
11 happens with not only the existing structures but with
12 the right-of-way for the relocation?

13 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes. And I really can't add to
14 the answers that have been given previously, but I will
15 restate them. And that is that my understanding is that
16 the structures will be demolished and removed, and that
17 it is likely that the Arizona State -- the existing
18 right-of-way will be relinquished to the Arizona State
19 Land Department.

20 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

21 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

22 On your Exhibit A13 -- is that correct? I don't
23 know. Anyway, you have a right-of-way cost of \$50,000.
24 Is that lease cost or purchase cost?

25 MR. DUNCAN: That is lease cost.

1 MEMBER NOLAND: So are you paying the same
2 amount for the current route?

3 MR. DUNCAN: I don't know.

4 MEMBER NOLAND: Well, it would be a wash then,
5 wouldn't it? It wouldn't really be an additional cost;
6 it would be a wash if you are paying a lease on the
7 Arizona State land now?

8 MR. DUNCAN: I would assume that if the costs
9 are similar, then yes, I would agree that that would be
10 a wash.

11 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

12 I guess the question in calculating the
13 right-of-way cost, Mr. Duncan, did you subtract what we
14 are paying currently for the right-of-way for the
15 existing line that presumably we will no longer have to
16 pay for once we obtain a new right-of-way and have
17 relocated this three and a half mile segment?

18 MR. DUNCAN: These figures were provided by a
19 member of our land team, and I am not exactly sure how
20 they were calculated. But I don't believe that they
21 subtracted out the existing.

22 BY MR. DERSTINE:

23 Q. Okay. So to Member Noland's point, the
24 right-of-way cost may be less than, and may be
25 significantly less than, down to zero of the \$50,000 if

1 it is, if it is dollar for dollar what we will be paying
2 to give up the old right-of-way in exchange for the new
3 right-of-way?

4 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) I think that's a reasonable
5 statement.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

7 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Is that a one-time cost, or
8 is it repeated? Do we have to -- is that for all time
9 on this lease? How do they do it?

10 MEMBER PALMER: Mr. Chairman.

11 MR. DUNCAN: I believe that that is not a
12 one-time cost, but I am not sure how often the renewal
13 period is.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Palmer has a question.

15 MEMBER PALMER: Maybe I could share a little
16 light. And I don't know that utility easements are the
17 same as road easements. But in my 20 years in county
18 government, I dealt with this several times. And
19 generally when we would get what we normally would call
20 a right-of-way from State Land Department, we never took
21 ownership of it. They don't sell you a right-of-way,
22 they lease you an easement, and my recollection is it
23 was a 30-year term. At the end of 30 years you were
24 going to pay it again. You never actually own it. I
25 don't know if that's the same with utilities, but I can

1 tell you that's how it worked in local government.

2 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Thank you.

3 MR. DERSTINE: Mr. Spitzkoff.

4 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes, so I can confirm a similar
5 situation with APS right-of-ways. Our line
6 right-of-ways I believe are a little bit different than
7 the substation right-of-ways. I want to say for our
8 substations, our lease terms I think may be like a
9 90-year lease, something along that time frame. But
10 periodically they, State Land, will do a reevaluation of
11 that cost every, I don't know, five years or 10 years.
12 And the specific payment may change over time.

13 And then with line right-of-ways, it is similar.
14 I don't know if it is necessarily a 90-year, but it
15 could be like a 30-year with a, you know, a periodic
16 adjustment.

17 BY MR. DERSTINE:

18 Q. All right. Mr. Duncan, anything else -- so the
19 transmission line costs, that's the cost to wreck out
20 the old, the existing line over that three and a half
21 miles and reconstruct the line in its new location, is
22 that correct?

23 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

24 MEMBER HAMWAY: Mr. Chairman, I have a couple
25 questions.

1 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure. Member Hamway.

2 MEMBER HAMWAY: So the 8.7 million, that
3 includes the demolishing of the current line, moving a
4 half mile north, and three and a half miles of moving
5 line, right? Does that 8.7 million include the
6 undergrounding?

7 MR. DERSTINE: No.

8 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay. So that 8.7 million
9 should never come back around to the rate case, correct?
10 Because this should all be paid for by TSMC.

11 MR. DERSTINE: I will let Mr. Spitzkoff expand
12 on it, but in general you are correct, Member Hamway, in
13 terms of the TSMC is paying the cost to relocate the
14 line that includes wrecking out the existing segment,
15 replacing the line in its new location approximately a
16 half mile north. Those transmission line construction
17 costs, as it indicates, those are line construction
18 costs, those are not substation costs.

19 MEMBER HAMWAY: Correct.

20 MR. DERSTINE: But as to those costs, TSMC is
21 picking up the tab for that 8.7 million.

22 MEMBER HAMWAY: Perfect.

23 MR. DERSTINE: And Mr. Spitzkoff, do you want to
24 expand on that?

25 MR. SPITZKOFF: You did a great job. I will

1 just confirm you are correct.

2 MEMBER HAMWAY: One quick question. Do we have
3 numbers for the undergrounding?

4 MR. SPITZKOFF: We don't have them here today.
5 But the undergrounding is basically, in a sense, just
6 feeders for the customer. It is, you know, treated as a
7 separate project than the reroute of the existing line.

8 MEMBER HAMWAY: Thank you.

9 CHMN. CHENAL: Again, I would ask to get those
10 numbers just more for curiosity, the cost of a mile of
11 undergrounding and how much more just to underground
12 than aboveground and why is it so much more expensive.

13 MR. SPITZKOFF: We are efforting those answers
14 at the moment.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Thanks.

16 BY MR. DERSTINE:

17 Q. While we are on the subject of costs, again, I
18 think there has been testimony that we don't have any
19 sort of final designs or engineering, certainly for
20 TS-22, and we still have some final design work to be
21 done on the Avery substation. But do you have any
22 general or ballpark cost estimates for the substations,
23 Mr. Duncan?

24 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, I do. So costs for the
25 Avery substation have been estimated to be between 50

1 and \$70 million, and for the TS-22 substation
2 approximately 60 to 150 million.

3 Q. All right. We jumped ahead to costs, but I want
4 you to backtrack a little bit and talk about where we
5 are in the planning process for TS-22. And this is fine
6 in terms of where we are on the slides. These maps of
7 the TS-22 substation site have changed a bit over time.
8 That change in the shape of that pink box corresponds
9 to, I think, ongoing discussions and work that we are
10 doing with ASLD in coordinating the location for TS-22.

11 Can you kind of give the Committee a background
12 on the work with ASLD with regard to the entire project,
13 but also in particular with TS-22 and how we ended up
14 with this triangular shape piece added to the original
15 rectangular pink box for TS-22 substation site?

16 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes. As I have mentioned
17 previously, we have been, and when I say we, not just in
18 terms of the siting process, but APS engineering and
19 lands have been working closely with the Arizona State
20 Land Department in terms of the project overall, but
21 also specifically to the TS-22 substation siting area.
22 You know, once the size was identified that the need
23 would be for an 80 acre site, through that coordination,
24 the Arizona State Land Department suggested the area
25 that -- this has been discussed previously, but within

1 the pink area here, they identified this blue outlined
2 area, which is a parcel that they have kind of not
3 formally designated but is identified on some of their
4 planning maps, and that parcel, as mentioned previously,
5 is shaped oddly because it is adjacent to the Deadman
6 Wash on the west side. And once we became aware of that
7 parcel, we recognized that it was outside our original
8 designated -- I shouldn't say designated -- our original
9 proposed TS-22 substation siting area, which has been
10 discussed also previously, which generally was the same
11 on the eastern side here but continued in more of a
12 rectangular shape and did not have this pointy area to
13 the north, nor this pointy area here to the west.

14 But the Arizona State Land Department asked us
15 to consider it. And the APS team has been considering
16 it and making sure it can be safely built without risk
17 to our substation equipment and also, as discussed by
18 Mr. Spitzkoff, that lines can successfully be connected
19 in and out of the substation and that everything, of
20 course, can fit within the 80-acre parcel.

21 Q. Can I stop you there for a minute? When you say
22 it is outside of the original box or rectangle, can you
23 generally outline using your laser pointer -- and
24 hopefully the AV crew can follow along with the
25 cursor -- kind of as best you can the shape of the

1 original TS-22 siting area and then what has changed?

2 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes. So I am trying to slowly
3 draw what the shape was previously. It came out to
4 about here, and then straight south, and then back to
5 the east to form a rectangle. That shape matches --
6 pardon me for just a moment. That shape matches the
7 shape that is shown on Figure 1 in the supplement to
8 amend.

9 Q. And the supplement is APS Exhibit 2 for the
10 Committee members who are trying to find that on their
11 iPad, right?

12 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

13 Q. So the map that was attached to the supplement
14 to the application to amend, which is marked as APS
15 Exhibit 2, shows the original configuration of our TS-22
16 substation site. And that, I guess that rectangular
17 shape, the original rectangular shape is shown in
18 Figure A1 not only on the project vicinity map, but then
19 also it is, that same shape is shown on Figure A2 and
20 the other maps that are in the supplement, right?

21 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

22 Q. And --

23 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) And you also asked me what was
24 outside that area. So this triangular portion here at
25 the very tip would be additional to that area. And then

1 this area, this triangular portion here on the west end
2 as well would be additional.

3 Q. And that tip on the northern side of the pink
4 rectangle, that's the area, as Mr. Spitzkoff described
5 it, where the 69 and lower voltage facilities will be
6 constructed, is that right?

7 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

8 Q. Okay. All right.

9 MEMBER GRINNELL: Mr. Chairman.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Grinnell.

11 MEMBER GRINNELL: I guess the Deadman Wash, is
12 that a navigable waterway as determined by the Corps of
13 Engineers, or is that just a wash?

14 MR. DUNCAN: I would like to direct that to
15 Mr. Turner.

16 MR. TURNER: That was just ephemeral drainage.
17 It is not perennial waters or intermittent. So there is
18 no navigation on that.

19 CHMN. CHENAL: Why is it always Deadman Wash?
20 Every wash is Deadman Wash.

21 MEMBER GENTLES: I think it is located in Bloody
22 Basin, actually.

23 MR. TURNER: So it is ephemeral drainage, which
24 means it only runs in direct response to a storm event.

25 MEMBER GRINNELL: Very well. Thank you.

1 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Mr. Chairman.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

3 MEMBER HAENICHEN: I have just got one final
4 question on this.

5 Referring to that pink figure as it now stands,
6 originally it was a rectangle, can you tell me, how far
7 to the west did that line go to form the complete
8 rectangle? Did it go all the way to the bottom of the
9 pointy thing?

10 MR. DUNCAN: No, it didn't go down to the bottom
11 of the pointy thing.

12 MEMBER HAENICHEN: All right. Where does it
13 start going down?

14 MR. DUNCAN: Approximately just about where our
15 angle is about where it went down to the south.

16 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. Well, then, I don't
17 see -- this seems to be much ado about nothing, but who
18 cares about that pink pointy thing on top? Just let it
19 be there. It doesn't seem to me it is constraining the
20 project in any way.

21 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

22 MEMBER NOLAND: Mr. Derstine, you are trying to
23 make a point, and somebody else made the same point,
24 that the 69kV part of the substation is the part that is
25 at the top point. Do you think that makes a difference

1 in our approval of a substation?

2 MR. DERSTINE: I don't think it does.

3 MEMBER NOLAND: Then why are you making that
4 point?

5 MR. DERSTINE: Well, I'm making the point
6 because of the concern, or at least the issue, that was
7 raised about the connection to the 500/230kV line. And
8 I think, as Mr. Spitzkoff pointed out, the connection to
9 TS-22, even though the substation may be configured in a
10 way that strays out beyond the corridor that we are
11 requesting from this Committee, we still have the
12 connectivity by bringing in the relocated line segment
13 into the heart of the TS-22 substation that allows us to
14 connect to the 500 and the 230 facilities. So that's
15 the important piece of that, from my way of thinking.

16 MEMBER NOLAND: Well, it is. I think we have
17 got it. We just need to deal with it.

18 MR. DERSTINE: Right.

19 MEMBER NOLAND: I was thinking that you are
20 saying that we didn't have the authority to approve a
21 substation that the portion was the 69kV. But that's
22 not correct, is it?

23 MR. DERSTINE: No.

24 MEMBER NOLAND: Okay. Thank you.

25 MR. DERSTINE: That's certainly not the position

1 that I am taking or that APS is taking.

2 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

3 MR. DERSTINE: I think, as the colloquy between
4 the Chairman and yourself about how these facilities
5 were described in going back to CEC 120, which was
6 amended by CEC 131, that we are now asking this
7 Committee to amend through this proceeding, the approach
8 that was taken -- and I think it is the right
9 approach -- is to describe a corridor which covers the
10 transmission line, in this case the relocated segment of
11 the transmission line, and then to have the Committee,
12 as was done in those prior cases, generally describe a
13 substation site within which the new substation, TS-22,
14 will be placed. And I think that pins down in terms of
15 the location on the map where TS-22 will be.

16 Our request is that that be a larger area than
17 the 80 acres that we need to construct the facility and
18 gives us the flexibility for final siting with State
19 Land, but that, you know, I think this Committee can and
20 should define and outline in general of the TS-22 site
21 along the lines of what we are representing on the map
22 in the pink area.

23 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

25 MEMBER HAENICHEN: And how, Mr. Derstine, do you

1 suggest that we do that? I mean, should we draw a
2 rectangle somewhere and say that's where we want the
3 substation? I am not quite sure what --

4 MR. DERSTINE: I think you can do it in the way
5 it was done in the past, is with a township and range
6 description in words in the body of the CEC, or in this
7 case the amendment, and then a map which corresponds to
8 that verbal description or narrative description. And I
9 think that places it on the globe.

10 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Yeah, but we need some help
11 to pinpoint those, those geo points.

12 MR. DERSTINE: Yes. And we are going to give
13 you language that calls that out, and then the Committee
14 can review that and see if it corresponds to, you know,
15 what the Committee thinks is an acceptable description
16 and location.

17 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Sounds good to me.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: And I would like to do that,
19 Mr. Derstine, prior to the end of the testimony.

20 MR. DERSTINE: Yes.

21 CHMN. CHENAL: In other words, let's not wait
22 until we are in deliberation to roll all that out. I
23 think we need to flesh that out a little.

24 MR. DERSTINE: Agreed. We have, you know, as
25 the Chairman knows and the Committee should have in the

1 exhibits on your iPads, there is an original draft of
2 the recommended opinion and order. We didn't have a
3 revised version of the recommended opinion and order
4 that you can look at, but the description of the
5 3,000-foot corridor, you know, if the Committee has in
6 mind that you want to change that or narrow it, we will
7 have to work with changing that description on the fly,
8 what is set forth in the recommended opinion and order.

9 In your exhibits is the 3,000-foot corridor
10 described and shown on the map there on Figure 3, 3B, on
11 the right screen here in the hearing room. And we have
12 a description of the pink area now modified by State
13 Land's triangular piece that we will submit and include
14 in the ROO.

15 So my intent is to, one, hand out to the
16 Committee today copies of CEC 120 and 131 so you can see
17 what was done in those past cases, and then to hand out
18 a modified recommended opinion and order that has a
19 description of the irregular shaped pink box shown on
20 3B, if I am looking at this correctly, that's up on the
21 screen.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

23 MEMBER NOLAND: I really hate to beat this to
24 death, but again, I would like to see a corridor that
25 encompasses the proposed site, the entire proposed site,

1 so that we narrow that down. And do that if you want by
2 reducing the southern portion and increasing the
3 northern portion to include that. And I thought that's
4 what we agreed was a possible option.

5 MR. DERSTINE: It absolutely is a possible
6 option, Member Noland. And if that is your preference,
7 we can put pen to paper and describe a corridor that is
8 narrowed from the -- on the southern end, but then also
9 expands up to the north to encompass the point of the
10 triangle of the pink box.

11 MEMBER NOLAND: Well, that would be my
12 preference. It is up to the Committee. And I suppose
13 there will be other discussion. But it makes more sense
14 to do it that way, rather than leaving the southern
15 portion of the corridor where it is.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

17 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. This is for
18 Mr. Derstine. It is a technicality. But just a few
19 moments ago, you indicated you were going to hand out
20 some things to us. What about the people joining this
21 meeting remotely? They won't be able to see that.

22 MR. DERSTINE: We have electronic copies and we
23 will send them on to Mr. Brewer, who will then circulate
24 them to members of the Committee who are appearing
25 virtually.

1 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Let me just think out loud for a
3 second Member Noland's question. I don't have an
4 answer. But I pose this question. It seems to me in
5 the past, and I could be wrong, but it seems to me we
6 have given corridors for power lines, and I guess I am
7 not exactly sure precisely what we have said as far as
8 substation. My recollection is we have been a little
9 more specific with the general area.

10 That's a large corridor to say you can put the
11 substation anywhere you want. Maybe that's fine. Maybe
12 we don't care. But maybe, maybe we do. Maybe we want
13 to be a little more specific as to where the substation
14 goes other than just saying it is anywhere you want to
15 in the corridor. I just throw that out. I don't -- you
16 know.

17 MR. DERSTINE: And I think, yeah, how this
18 Committee wants to describe it. I had suggested what
19 was done in the past was to utilize the corridor to
20 cover the transmission line and get the transmission
21 line from A to B, in this case from the point where we
22 have to relocate the line over to TS-22 and then to
23 where it rejoins the existing line, and then to have the
24 Committee separately describe a parcel or an area within
25 which the new TS-22 substation will be sited.

1 We already have in CEC 120 a description of a
2 larger site within which Avery is placed, the green
3 substation site. That is a -- that larger area will
4 contain the 64 acres that we are asking this Committee
5 to authorize.

6 So it is -- can we have -- do you want a
7 corridor that covers the line and the final placement of
8 the line and then a description the substation site, or
9 is it important to this Committee to have a corridor
10 that is large enough to encompass the substation site,
11 and then do you also then want to describe the
12 substation site within that new larger corridor?

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

14 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Yeah, Mr. Chairman, I don't
15 think we are qualified to suggest --

16 MEMBER HAMWAY: I agree.

17 MEMBER HAENICHEN: -- a placement for the
18 substation, I mean a specific type location. That will
19 probably come out of the studies that are being done by
20 the utility.

21 MR. DERSTINE: And --

22 CHMN. CHENAL: My understanding is, though it
23 wouldn't be -- my words weren't well chosen -- it
24 wouldn't be a specific site for the substation, but it
25 would be a siting area within which the substation would

1 be located, but maybe not as large as the corridor.

2 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

4 And I am not suggesting we do it that way. It
5 was done like that in the last case. But I just throw
6 that out.

7 Member Noland.

8 MEMBER NOLAND: Well, Mr. Chairman, they located
9 the Avery within a corridor. And as I understand it,
10 the CEC called out that corridor, not just for the line,
11 but also for the substation. I just would like to do
12 the same thing, or see us do the same thing for the
13 TS-22.

14 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Right.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Correct me if I'm wrong, but I
16 think that gets to the confusion that I had. There were
17 actually two areas called out. There was one area, the
18 corridor for the power line, and then there was another
19 area specifically called out separate from that for the
20 substation.

21 And that's maybe what I am suggesting we do
22 here. We don't have one corridor for both, we have two,
23 one corridor for the line and one siting area for the
24 substation. And on the Figure 1A, the gray area, this
25 is not -- this is the old case. The gray elbow area, as

1 Member Haenichen referred to, was the corridor for the
2 power line. And the siting area for the Avery
3 substation separately described in the CEC was the
4 hatched area. So there were two separate, separately
5 described areas, as I understand it.

6 Member Haenichen.

7 MEMBER HAENICHEN: That helps me. But, so then
8 would a way to accomplish this be to direct the
9 applicant to suggest such an area for our approval?
10 Because I don't see how we would pick it otherwise.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes. I think that's an item to
12 come, that they are going to have to guide us. But from
13 the point of view of philosophy, do we do it like that,
14 like in the old case where we had one area for the, one
15 area for the line and a separately described siting area
16 for the substation?

17 I think what Member Noland is suggesting is
18 maybe we combine the two and move a corridor north and
19 make it large enough to encompass both the line and the
20 substation. So it is a different approach to how we
21 define where to put these facilities.

22 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. But the substation and
23 the lines are related to one another. And we don't know
24 all the nuances of placement of a substation vis-à-vis
25 the lines that they are going to be connected to. So we

1 really need a lot of guidance there.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes.

3 Member Gentles.

4 MEMBER GENTLES: Mr. Chair or Mr. Spitzkoff, is
5 the reason why there is no corridor outlining the pink
6 area as presented in this case today, is the reason
7 because you needed more flexibility in terms of where
8 that's actually going to occur, or was there some reason
9 why you didn't propose a corridor around that?

10 MR. SPITZKOFF: So generally -- is this on?
11 There we go. Okay.

12 Generally as long as the corridor for the line
13 and the siting area for the substation overlap a little
14 bit or significantly, then that gets you the
15 connectivity between the line and the substation. And I
16 think that's what really, at the end, as we walk, talk
17 through this, you know, right now the overlap of -- if
18 we just say the blue outlined area and the line corridor
19 has a little bit of an overlap, and the Committee may
20 want to see a larger overlap or complete overlap to
21 ensure that that full substation area is encompassed
22 within the line corridor, but generally, like if we look
23 at the Avery situation, the siting area, which is the
24 orange hatch for Avery, pretty much anywhere, if we
25 would have put the substation anywhere within that area,

1 it would have touched the gray area that the line, the
2 line corridor was in. So we can maintain that
3 connectivity, the back to back connectivity.

4 MEMBER GENTLES: Is there a possibility -- that
5 is the TS-22 up there in the pink?

6 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes.

7 MEMBER GENTLES: So is there a possibility the
8 actual substation can go north of those hash lines?

9 CHMN. CHENAL: Outside of the corridor.

10 MEMBER GENTLES: Outside the corridor, yes.

11 MR. SPITZKOFF: Not the entirety of the
12 substation. Given the substation has to be 80 acres,
13 and whatever shape you want to put it, a rectangle or a
14 triangle such as it is, if anything of that size,
15 starting at the point of the pink, the pink that's
16 outside of the line corridor, anything that would be of
17 the size of 80 acres would, would come down into the
18 line corridor.

19 I hope that helps.

20 MEMBER GENTLES: And then for -- remind me.
21 Does the property line for the plant, does it go all the
22 way up to Carefree Highway?

23 MR. SPITZKOFF: No. The property line will
24 generally be a couple hundred feet north of the
25 existing --

1 MEMBER GENTLES: All right.

2 MR. SPITZKOFF: -- line.

3 MEMBER GENTLES: Thank you.

4 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

5 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Well, at the end of the day,
6 assume this Committee does approve this project that's
7 being proposed, we want to be sure, with these things we
8 have just been discussing, that we haven't hamstrung the
9 utility into an unbuildable configuration. So we want
10 to be absolutely certain that they are satisfied with
11 the result we come up with.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

13 MEMBER NOLAND: They have got 408 acres
14 designated in that pink area, and how we could hamstring
15 them I don't know. They have got a lot of flexibility.
16 I think all we are asking is that it is within a
17 corridor area. And whether it be its own corridor or
18 part of the line and substation corridor, I think we
19 have done it both ways.

20 CHMN. CHENAL: I think this is a good time to
21 take a lunch break. I am going to suggest that at some
22 point in the afternoon or tomorrow, but the applicant
23 comes back and gives some thought to how it works best
24 for the applicant. Right now my understanding is the
25 applicant is proposing one corridor for the line and a

1 separate siting area for the substation. You have heard
2 the discussion. Give it some thought and maybe come
3 back with a recommendation as to what you think will
4 work best, and then we can talk about it at that point.

5 Does that sound good to everybody?

6 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Perfect.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: How much time does the Committee
8 want for lunch, a half hour or an hour?

9 MEMBER HAMWAY: A half hour.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: A half hour or 45 minutes?

11 MEMBER HAMWAY: 45.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Going once, going twice.
13 Let's take a 45-minute break, and we will resume the
14 hearing at about 1:15.

15 (A recess ensued from 12:26 p.m. to 1:28 p.m.)

16 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Good afternoon,
17 everyone. Let's resume the afternoon session of the
18 hearing, Biscuit Flats project.

19 Any preliminary matters we need to discuss
20 before we start? Mr. Derstine, Ms. Benally.

21 MR. DERSTINE: No, I don't think so.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: Any questions from the Committee?

23 (No response.)

24 CHMN. CHENAL: If not, let's proceed with the
25 testimony. Mr. Derstine, Ms. Benally.

1 BY MR. DERSTINE:

2 Q. Mr. Duncan, we are going to move on. Yes, we
3 spent the end of our morning focusing on corridors. You
4 are a part of the effort to work on those corridor
5 descriptions, so we are going to get you through your
6 testimony so you can get back to that important task.
7 But for now we have some important things for you to
8 cover in your testimony.

9 The first area is the outlining of the
10 transmission structures. Why don't you cover those.
11 And again, what we are talking about are the structures
12 that will be used on the relocated line segment,
13 correct?

14 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

15 Q. Okay.

16 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) So the relocated route that we
17 have been showing, we will use steel monopoles that are
18 going to be similar to the existing structures in their
19 designs. The anticipated height of the new structures
20 is generally between 150 and 165 feet tall. Structures
21 may be, for site specific reasons, up to 195 feet tall,
22 you know, for very specific reasons such as crossing, we
23 have talked about the Deadman Wash may require taller
24 structures to cross that, or in places like the 69kV
25 line crossing once that location has been determined.

1 Typical span lengths will be between 800 and 1,000 feet.

2 Q. All right. And the structures that are shown on
3 the right screen, those are the same structures that are
4 contained in Exhibit G to the supplement, which is APS
5 Exhibit 2. Do I have that right?

6 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

7 Q. Okay. All right. Beyond structures, we are now
8 getting into some of the statutory requirements that
9 govern a proceeding before the Committee. I think the
10 next section deals with the APS 10-year plan filing.
11 Are you ready to cover that?

12 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes. So the project was
13 included in the supplemental 10-year plan, which APS
14 filed on April 16th, 2021. The map here on the right
15 side -- point to this area -- this is the map that was
16 included with that supplemental filing, and it indicates
17 the TS-22 substation and the Avery substation as part of
18 that map.

19 As part of the work that was done in support of
20 the 10-year plan, it included a reliability analysis,
21 which was performed including the buildout of the
22 semiconductor plant on the provided development time
23 line. When I say provided development timeline, That's
24 the development timeline provide by TSMC.

25 The analysis demonstrated that system

1 reliability was maintained throughout the 10-year
2 planning horizon including those planned projects.

3 Q. So the reliability analysis took into account
4 the anticipated load from the initial phase of the TSMC
5 project and determined that it had no impact on system
6 area reliability. Is that an accurate statement?

7 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it is.

8 Q. Okay. Mr. Spitzkoff, you were leaning in. Do
9 you have anything you want to add to that?

10 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) I don't think I was leaning
11 in.

12 Q. Okay. I apologize. I just wanted to make sure
13 we weren't -- when I say things like system area
14 reliability, I look to you to make sure I am not saying
15 the wrong thing.

16 Anything else on the 10-year plan filing,
17 Mr. Duncan?

18 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) No.

19 Q. And you mentioned the supplement. The statute
20 requires that APS and other entities that are planning
21 to construct a transmission line within the next 10
22 years file a plan on or before the last day of
23 January of each year. You are indicating that this
24 project, the relocation project, was included in a
25 supplement to APS's annual 10-year plan filing. Do I

1 have that right?

2 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

3 Q. Okay. So I mentioned we are getting into areas
4 that require or deal with the statutory requirements and
5 notice requirements before this Committee. Let's start
6 out by having you identify kind of the two key filings
7 that triggered or started the chain of events that
8 brought us here today.

9 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yeah, you bet.

10 So the application to amend was filed on
11 March 10th of 2021, and the supplement to amend
12 application was filed on June 11, 2021.

13 Q. All right. And the application to amend is APS
14 Exhibit 1. The supplement to the application to amend
15 that I think, as I mentioned in my opening, kind of
16 serves as the CEC application for this amendment case,
17 is APS Exhibit 2, right?

18 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

19 Q. Okay. One of the key statutory requirements for
20 a new siting case, and we followed those for this
21 particular proceeding, was to publish the Notice of
22 Hearing. Was that done in this case?

23 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it was. The Notice of
24 Hearing was published in two newspapers. It was
25 published in The Arizona Republic on June 16th and again

1 on June 19th, and it was published in the Foothills
2 Focus on June 16th.

3 Q. And the Affidavit of Publication, that's found
4 at APS Exhibit 11, correct?

5 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes.

6 Q. And the Affidavit of Publication is something
7 that's a document that's completed by those newspapers
8 that says that they published the Notice of Hearing on a
9 particular day, and it shows an example of the notice as
10 it appeared in the paper, right?

11 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

12 Q. Right. Another notice requirement is to provide
13 notice to affected jurisdictions. Did we do that for
14 this case?

15 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, we did. The affected
16 jurisdictions included the Arizona State Land
17 Department, City of Phoenix, and Maricopa County.

18 Q. All right. And how was the notice to affected
19 jurisdictions delivered? Was it put in the mail?
20 Delivered by hand? How was it done?

21 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it was both hand delivered
22 and mailed on July 8th, 2021.

23 Q. All right. And those notices to affected
24 jurisdictions are found at APS Exhibit 14, right?

25 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes.

1 Q. Okay. Another requirement that's not in the
2 statute, but it has become the practice before this
3 Committee, is to post signs along the route or, in this
4 case, the relocation segment. Was that done?

5 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it was. And I am just
6 going to point here on the right side. It is just a
7 photograph of one of the sign postings. But the four
8 sign locations were placed on June 23rd, 2021.

9 Q. Okay. And if I look at APS Exhibit 15, I see
10 copies of those four signs. And there is also a map
11 which indicates the location of where those signs were
12 posted, correct?

13 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

14 Q. The Chairman's procedural order also requires
15 that we deliver copies of, in this case, the supplement
16 to two library branches that are in some proximity to
17 the project. Was that done here?

18 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it was. We delivered
19 copies to the -- per the Phoenix library direction, we
20 delivered copies to the main Phoenix library on
21 July 9th, 2021. The main library then took
22 responsibility for delivering them to the Agave Library
23 branch and the Desert Broom Library branch.

24 Q. Okay. And your communications with the main
25 library concerning the delivery of the supplement to the

1 branches are found at APS Exhibit 12, right?

2 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes.

3 Q. Okay. And then the court reporter undertakes to
4 deliver copies of the transcripts of the procedural
5 conferences and of this hearing to those same branches,
6 right?

7 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

8 Q. Okay. You are also required to post information
9 on the project website. The Notice of Hearing indicates
10 that that information can be found on the project
11 website. Was that done?

12 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it was.

13 Q. Okay. And APS Exhibit 13 is a screen shot of a
14 portion of the APS project website that has links to the
15 various exhibits and filings, is that right?

16 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

17 Q. What other kind of information is found on the
18 project website?

19 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) So in addition to just the
20 information to learn about the project, there is also
21 information, as mentioned here a moment ago, the
22 supplemental application, copies of our newsletter, as
23 well as information in general about the siting process
24 and the CEC process itself.

25 Q. Okay. Does the project website also include a

1 telephone number or ways in which residents or anyone
2 who is interested can obtain more information about the
3 project?

4 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it does, as well as
5 information on accessing the virtual open house, which I
6 will speak about momentarily.

7 Q. Okay. A new development this year is the
8 Chairman's procedural order now requires that we use
9 some form of social media to publicize the project. I
10 gather that was done, right?

11 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, it was.

12 Q. And we are going to get into detail how you use
13 social media and the forms of social media when you talk
14 about your public outreach and engagement here in a bit.

15 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

16 Q. Well, let's jump into, then, our next section
17 that deals with public involvement and stake -- yes,
18 public and stakeholder involvement.

19 CHMN. CHENAL: Mr. Derstine, I know Member
20 Gentles got excited when he heard about the order
21 requires social media to notify the public of this. I
22 just --

23 Mr. Duncan, if you could, just expand a little
24 on what you did in that regard. We talked about it at
25 the prefiling conference, but why don't you just tell us

1 what that entailed.

2 MR. DUNCAN: Absolutely. So for both our
3 announcement of the virtual open houses, as well as the
4 announcement of these evidentiary hearings, we used
5 Facebook and Instagram advertising targeted to what we
6 refer to as our notification area, which I will get into
7 momentarily. It is beyond our study area. And through
8 those Facebook ads anybody who was provided with that as
9 a clickable ad and did click on it could not only obtain
10 brief information about the project, but was provided
11 with links on where they could get definitely more
12 information about the project, including the virtual
13 open house and the project website.

14 BY MR. DERSTINE:

15 Q. Okay. And you have some slides that provide the
16 Committee with some more information on that in a bit,
17 right?

18 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That's correct.

19 CHMN. CHENAL: Thank you.

20 BY MR. DERSTINE:

21 Q. Start us off here with an overview of the public
22 outreach methods that you used to publicize the project.

23 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Absolutely. So I will go into
24 detail on each of these, but I just want to briefly go
25 through it, what I will be speaking about.

1 For our outreach we included project mailings,
2 as I mentioned a virtual open house, stakeholder
3 briefings, our project website, project telephone
4 information line, social media, and the use of customer
5 emails.

6 Q. Why don't you go ahead, and I think you are just
7 going to walk us through each one of those forms of
8 communication and outreach. So please proceed.

9 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Thank you. Yes.

10 So I want to start out. I will take time to
11 describe this map because I am pretty sure we haven't
12 shown this one yet. This map is a map of our
13 notification area. So the map on the right screen
14 includes a thick blue line. And that blue line
15 encompasses, as you can see here, the dashed black line,
16 which is indicative of our study area. But it also
17 includes areas here to the east of I-17 outside of our
18 study area, which largely is residential but does
19 include some commercial developments.

20 So this is, when you hear me refer to our
21 notification area, this is the area that I am referring
22 to, so the study area, plus these areas east of I-17 and
23 our study area.

24 Q. And just briefly, the reason you went east of
25 I-17 is because that's where there is some concentration

1 of residential developments, right?

2 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes.

3 Q. Okay.

4 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) So using this notification
5 area, we identified a mailing list, and project mailings
6 were provided to more than 2100 customers. And that
7 included, these project mailings included a newsletter,
8 which was mailed on June 11th, 2021, which introduced
9 the project and also announced the virtual open house
10 and how to access it and provide comments. And for the
11 same notification area we do plan a second newsletter
12 that we plan to send, assuming that this project is
13 approved through the ACC, to announce the decision to
14 these same customers.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Gentles has a question.

16 MEMBER GENTLES: Mr. Chairman, so what is the
17 rationale for including the housing or the residences on
18 the east side of I-17 in your blue outline and not the
19 houses just north of that and just south? It seems to
20 me that those are fairly contiguous, particularly with
21 the size and scope of this project.

22 MR. DUNCAN: You know, it would be easy to say
23 that through discussions with the Chairman, who
24 suggested that we include those areas, that that would
25 be the limit of the answer. But I believe that a better

1 answer is just simply that, due to the proximity of the
2 project, I think that these residences are really the
3 closest residences. And even though they are, you know,
4 about a mile away from where our project facilities are,
5 and also on the other side of I-17, which in this area
6 is elevated, blocking views, I still feel like it was
7 appropriate to include them.

8 But it is hard to define exactly. You know, we
9 could certainly have gone further east, certainly gone
10 further north or south, included residential areas down
11 here or up here as you suggest. But from placement of
12 our facilities we really felt like this would best
13 capture those that could be impacted.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: Mr. Duncan is correct, Member
15 Gentles. We did discuss the notification area at one of
16 the preliminary hearings that we held before the filing,
17 and kind of landed on that area. You know, we went back
18 and forth. And if I remember, you know, we had
19 discussion about, you know, including a larger area.
20 But I think I just -- that just seemed like it made
21 sense to me. I mean one could argue it could have
22 been --

23 MEMBER GENTLES: Yeah, I mean it -- I mean when
24 you are -- I assume that when you show us your social
25 media kind of footprint it is probably going to pick up

1 a little bit more inside what is in those blue lines,
2 which is good.

3 Just one other observation, it seems like every
4 time we are talking about mailings or notifications, we
5 are always landing on about the 2- or 3,000 number. Is
6 that just coincidence, in terms of customers?

7 MR. DUNCAN: I can't speak to that. But I know
8 that on some of my past projects I had email lists as
9 high as 15- or 16,000 people.

10 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay.

11 MR. DUNCAN: So if it is a coincidence, I can't
12 speak to that.

13 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay. Thank you.

14 MR. DUNCAN: But I would just like to add one
15 more thing in response to your earlier question. And
16 that is in particular these residences. This is a
17 commercial development that is located just on the
18 northwest side of this interchange here at State
19 Route 74 and Carefree Highway. And there is
20 significant -- those are very, very large commercial
21 structures, which also are in between any views of our
22 project and those residences, and that serves as another
23 buffer as to why those residences would, I think, be
24 minimally impacted by our changes.

25 MEMBER GENTLES: All right. Thank you.

1 MR. DUNCAN: One other mailing that we had done
2 was a postcard, which was, again, prepared and mailed to
3 this notification area, same customers. That was mailed
4 on July 8th, 2021 to announce these evidentiary
5 hearings. The primary reason it was a postcard is just
6 because it was literally falling right on the heels of
7 our newsletter. And other than announcing evidentiary
8 hearings, there wasn't any new information to share over
9 what was in the newsletter.

10 Next I would like to speak about the virtual
11 open house now. Just a bit of background is that this
12 is our first project that we brought before the
13 Committee where we have used a virtual open house. And
14 I don't think I have to go into a great deal of
15 background as to why a virtual open house was selected
16 versus a traditional open house. We all understand the
17 pandemic conditions. But I just want to speak a little
18 bit about how that was done.

19 So the virtual open house was a specific web
20 page that was set up and hosted by AECOM. And that was
21 launched on June 14th, 2021. The virtual open house
22 provided customers with information about the project,
23 its purpose and need, and the environmental studies
24 performed. Opportunities to provide comments directly
25 to the project team were explained, including on forms

1 at the virtual house page, as well as other methods,
2 including through the project email.

3 Throughout the time of the virtual open house
4 comment window, which we published is about a two-week
5 period, we had approximately 160 unique visitors to the
6 virtual open house. I say unique visitors because the
7 analytics actually tracked more activity than that, but
8 basically unique visitor would be someone who accessed
9 it from a computer that had never accessed or a phone
10 that had not accessed it previously. There were
11 probably in some cases repeat visitors to it. So that
12 160 is unique IP addresses or computers.

13 MEMBER GENTLES: Mr. Chairman, I have another
14 question.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Gentles.

16 MEMBER GENTLES: Where does this virtual open
17 house live? Is it on the website?

18 MR. DUNCAN: No. It is on its own website. And
19 I was just about to offer the Committee, we have the
20 ability to take you to the virtual open house and take a
21 quick tour of it so you can see it in action.

22 MEMBER GENTLES: So this isn't on the Biscuit
23 Flat project section of the APS website?

24 MR. DUNCAN: There is a link, but it is not
25 hosted by APS. It is hosted by AECOM. It is its own

1 page.

2 BY MR. DERSTINE:

3 Q. But it can be accessed from the project website,
4 is that correct, Mr. Duncan?

5 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct. But it was
6 also published in all of our notification materials, as
7 well as our social media.

8 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay. Just so I am clear, I am
9 looking at the Biscuit Flats section of the APS website.

10 MR. DUNCAN: Yes.

11 MEMBER GENTLES: And so I can access that from
12 here --

13 MR. DUNCAN: As far as I know. I am -- it --

14 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay. I just don't see the
15 link. I am just asking.

16 MR. SPITZKOFF: Member Gentles, when I was on
17 the site a week or two weeks ago, I recall, I think the
18 link was near the bottom of the page. There is one or
19 two links that should reference. I don't know
20 specifically if it said virtual open house or not.

21 MEMBER GENTLES: Well, as of right now it is not
22 on there. And I imagine, was there a reason why that it
23 is available in a limited period of time or why it would
24 not just be -- that this wouldn't just be available in
25 its entirety whenever somebody wanted to take a look at

1 it on the website?

2 MR. DUNCAN: I was just about to speak to that.
3 It is still available and will be available through the
4 remainder of this year, and can be extended if necessary
5 beyond that time frame.

6 We had a window for public comments, because we
7 typically try to encourage a window so that people who
8 do have a public comment can submit it in a reasonable
9 time for us to include it. If there is a need to
10 include their concerns in our project design or
11 something like that, you know, if it arrives like
12 literally just days before we come to these hearings, it
13 is going to be difficult for us. So there is a defined
14 window that we try to, you know, basically say this is
15 your opportunity to comment. But even then people
16 still -- all the tools work and people can still provide
17 comments even today.

18 MEMBER GENTLES: So you could shut down the
19 comment period, but keep the virtual open house.

20 MR. DUNCAN: It is still open and live. In
21 fact, as I say, with this tour, if I may, I can take you
22 there. And this is not a copy; this is live on the web
23 right now.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Let's do that.

25 MR. DUNCAN: Okay.

1 CHMN. CHENAL: Did you have a question, Member
2 Haenichen?

3 MEMBER HAENICHEN: No.

4 MR. DUNCAN: So this is now live. So this is a
5 live look at the page. Mark is controlling it with his
6 laptop. But on this page, you have the ability to -- it
7 is set up to, you know, obviously mimic an actual open
8 house. But let's go ahead and click on one of these so
9 you can --

10 These are the typical stations that we have at a
11 regular open house. And, well, I know this question is
12 going to come up, but you see your existing land use and
13 future land use maps still reflect our old substation
14 area. When Mr. Turner speaks he will address that.

15 But nonetheless, these can be accessed, clicked
16 on, and zoomed in or out. So if there is something that
17 someone would like to look at closer up, you have the
18 ability to zoom in on the text or things like that.

19 And some of these stations have more than one
20 page, but this is all the same very typical information
21 that we share at our virtual open houses. And there
22 is -- we provide a table here with FAQs, as well as a
23 place for people to provide feedback, which is directly
24 shared to the project team. And we have a little
25 introductory video that welcomes people to the page and

1 kind of gives them a little bit of instruction on how to
2 use the page.

3 BY MR. DERSTINE:

4 Q. Can you show us that video, Mr. Duncan.

5 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, I can.

6 AV TECH: We will need to connect that computer
7 to audio unless you want to play it as is, but you are
8 welcome to do so.

9 MR. TURNER: I could bend my mike down, but I
10 don't know how well it would sound.

11 AV TECH: Turn it up. Let's try it.

12 (A video was played.)

13 MR. DERSTINE: Mr. Duncan, that looks like it
14 was taken on your back porch.

15 MR. DUNCAN: Yes, it was.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: How many times did you have to do
17 that in order to get the one that was the final?

18 MR. DUNCAN: Actually, my son is in a college
19 program to where he is -- you know, kind of a video
20 production class. And although that was done on my
21 smart phone, he was the cameraman. And that's the
22 second take.

23 CHMN. CHENAL: Second take, all right.

24 BY MR. DERSTINE:

25 Q. Very good. And the reason you did it at home,

1 just to be clear, is that we have used a professional
2 production team on some other projects, but at that
3 point in time you were restricted in terms of
4 interactions with outside vendors, et cetera, and you
5 had to make do with still getting the virtual open house
6 online, but to come up with that video, you did it using
7 your son at home, right?

8 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct.

9 CHMN. CHENAL: Congratulations.

10 MR. DERSTINE: And can we clarify for anyone of
11 how to reach the virtual open house?

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes, please.

13 MR. DERSTINE: I guess Ms. Benally can talk
14 through the steps.

15 Or my understanding is you go to APS.com and
16 then search under -- is it line siting cases? That
17 takes you then to the Biscuit Flats. And then the
18 Biscuit Flats, the virtual open house can be found under
19 that page.

20 MEMBER GENTLES: There it is.

21 MR. DERSTINE: It should be live at this time.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Member Gentles has
23 now found it on the Biscuit Flats.

24 MEMBER GENTLES: I just have a general question,
25 if we have time.

1 CHMN. CHENAL: We do.

2 MEMBER GENTLES: So the pandemic has caused us
3 all to do different things. This virtual house was
4 because you couldn't gather in person for the open
5 house, is that correct?

6 MR. DUNCAN: It was out of concern not only for
7 our employees, but also for our customers.

8 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay. And so we have learned a
9 few things during this pandemic, right?

10 MR. DUNCAN: Yes, sir.

11 MEMBER GENTLES: So do you foresee doing virtual
12 open houses in addition to the in-person open house
13 going forward?

14 MR. DUNCAN: So as a siting team we have
15 discussed it. I am not going to put APS on the hook
16 right now and commit us to that, but as a siting team we
17 believe it is in our best interest, as well as our
18 customers' best interest, to continue the virtual open
19 houses alongside the regular open houses. So it is our
20 intent to fund both per APS's permission.

21 MEMBER GENTLES: I think that would be
22 excellent, because you are going to get however many
23 people at the in-person open house, but you get two,
24 three X at the virtual. So that continues to increase
25 the reach, which is what the open house is intended to

1 do, right?

2 MR. DUNCAN: We have felt that the virtual open
3 house has been a tremendous success for our outreach
4 efforts, and we really feel that the results speak for
5 themselves.

6 MEMBER GENTLES: Thank you.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Let me jump in and just raise a
8 question with the Committee on that point. And I am
9 glad you asked that, Member Gentles, because that was a
10 question I was going to ask as well, is what role would
11 a virtual open house hold in the future for APS. And
12 I'd kind of like to ask the Committee kind of a similar
13 question.

14 We also were limited because of COVID to, you
15 know, live presentations, but as we have adapted to
16 COVID, we have gone back to be kind of a hybrid of
17 allowing the public and members of the Committee to
18 appear virtually and in person. I can tell you that I
19 have received some comment from Committee members about
20 wanting the hearings to be live, and maybe do we need
21 the virtual aspect of it.

22 On the other hand, I know that different
23 Committee members have used the virtual capabilities for
24 very good reasons, for, you know, maybe they would be
25 unable to attend the meeting if it was not for that and

1 better to have someone appear virtually than not at all.

2 So I just kind of -- my personal feeling is that
3 we should have the virtual capabilities for the public
4 going forward. I appreciate it adds some expense and
5 complexity to the hearing, but I think it extends the --
6 it makes it that much easier for the public to attend
7 and participate in the proceedings. But I wanted to get
8 kind of a sounding from the Committee what the Committee
9 feels about having these hearings allowing, you know,
10 the members to appear, appearing virtual.

11 MEMBER GENTLES: I will throw my two cents in.
12 I think it is fantastic. I think it is great. The more
13 you can make the availability to the public available
14 the better. And that's -- I think you hear that from my
15 comments at every one of these meetings. So that's the
16 reason why I love the virtual, keeping this as a
17 standard operating procedure along with the addition of
18 your social media outreach, which is, I think, going to
19 really exponentially increase your participation rate.

20 CHMN. CHENAL: And as to the Committee members
21 now, Member Gentles, as to whether --

22 MEMBER GENTLES: I like the flexibility of
23 appearing virtually, because I mean there are sometimes
24 that, you know, work just precludes us. For instance,
25 we are just talking about a two-week hearing in Tucson

1 that's going to be a bit challenging for some of our
2 members that can't be there in person two straight
3 weeks. I think it is a great thing. I encourage it.

4 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

5 MEMBER NOLAND: Mr. Chairman, I was the rabble
6 rouser that passed on my feelings to you early on. I
7 think I have no problem with the public being able to do
8 either virtual or in public. But I do -- it really
9 tends to extend the time of the hearings when we are
10 doing virtual with Committee members. And even the
11 public, the technical aspect, we have run into problems.
12 And I think it has extended the hearings in some ways by
13 even a day because of technical problems, internet
14 problems, all of that.

15 So, you know, we make a commitment when we agree
16 to this job that we are going to come to hearings. And
17 I know it can be a problem for some people with working
18 and trying to get the time off or whatever. But we need
19 to think about the expense involved with it for the
20 parties, and also the length of time that I think it
21 expands the hearing when you have four or five members
22 appearing virtually.

23 CHMN. CHENAL: Thank you.

24 Member Haenichen.

25 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Yeah. Question for the

1 applicant. On this virtual hearing thing, does the
2 applicant have a way to know how many people use this
3 service? And then a further question would be by name.

4 MR. DUNCAN: So, yes, we are provided with
5 analytics. AECOM, through their proprietary software,
6 was able to provide us with analytics. That's how I was
7 able to conclude that there were 160 unique visitors.
8 In addition --

9 Oh, I am sorry. Are you speaking about the
10 hearing or are you speaking about the virtual open
11 house?

12 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Virtual.

13 MR. DUNCAN: The virtual hearing?

14 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Yeah.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Hearing or open house, Member
16 Haenichen? The virtual system has a way for people to
17 find out about the project. I don't know what that, how
18 you want me to phrase it, but --

19 MEMBER HAENICHEN: I would like to know how many
20 people take advantage of it.

21 MR. DUNCAN: So in the case of this project,
22 referring to the virtual open house that we toured here?

23 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Right, that's what I am
24 talking about.

25 MR. DUNCAN: So we had 160 unique visitors.

1 Every time a computer, whether it is a cell phone,
2 laptop, or desktop computer, accesses anything, it uses
3 what is referred to as an IP address. It leaves a
4 footprint whenever you visit a website. And this
5 analytics is able to track those IP addresses.

6 So it is difficult to say that it is 160
7 individual customers, because one customer could access
8 it through two different computers. But it is a
9 reasonable guess that it was 160 different customer
10 visits. But in terms of it being by name, that is not
11 possible unless the users offer their information.

12 We did have a sign-in sheet.

13 MEMBER HAENICHEN: That was my question.

14 MR. DUNCAN: And there were some users who
15 filled in it. I think we had four users who took the
16 time to fill in the sign-in sheet.

17 I think it is, my personal opinion is that it
18 would be wrong to prohibit people to access the website
19 without leaving their name. I think we would discourage
20 people from getting the information they need by forcing
21 them to give their name, or we might just get a false
22 name. But we do offer it and ask people to sign in.
23 But it obviously did not occur. I did not have
24 160 sign-ins.

25 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay. I agree with you, it

1 would be wrong to restrict access just because you won't
2 give your name. I just was curious about how many
3 people take the time to do it.

4 MR. DUNCAN: Yes. I guess I would feel like a
5 project perhaps that has more public activity than this
6 one might be a better yardstick for that, because this
7 just overall had low public engagement, not due to our
8 lack of public outreach, but I think just due to the
9 nature of the project. But I, you know, at least just
10 in terms of this project, yeah, we just did not have a
11 lot of sign-ins.

12 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Okay.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: I would like to continue with the
14 Committee. The question I would like feedback on from
15 the Committee is a specific one. Should we continue to
16 have Committee members have the capability to appear at
17 hearings virtually versus in person? I would like to
18 hear from the Committee just so I know and I can deal
19 with this going forward.

20 Member Hamway.

21 MEMBER HAMWAY: I don't think we are ever going
22 to go back to the point where we can't have a Zoom
23 option. I just don't think -- I don't see the reason to
24 do that.

25 I agree with Member Noland in that I think you

1 get more out of a hearing if you are physically here. I
2 mean I just -- I think you don't ask questions as much
3 because you have seen everything.

4 So I am -- and I know for -- I have attended two
5 hearings virtually. And I know personally I was not as
6 engaged as I am when I am here physically.

7 But I think it is a great option. Certainly I
8 don't think we would ever want to go back to where we
9 wouldn't allow a Zoom option for this hearing.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Riggins -- Palmer. Member
11 Riggins.

12 MEMBER RIGGINS: Yeah, I agree with Member
13 Hamway, and I see Member Noland's concerns as well. I
14 think if it is like the technical issues or anything
15 that, you know, extends the hearing into an extra day,
16 obviously that could be something that's burdensome for
17 the applicant. Hopefully those are, you know, kind of
18 small, small little speed bumps along the way that we
19 are kind of smoothing out as we get more into the world
20 of these hybrid meetings and we are able to overcome
21 those and they don't shut meetings down for half a day
22 or full day.

23 But personally, I do like the flexibility of
24 being able to do this. I think having the hybrid
25 option, like Member Hamway said, is something that I

1 really don't see going away, not just for our Committee,
2 but also a lot of the committees that are in state
3 government as well. I know not just from a Committee
4 standpoint, but it does allow a lot more public
5 interaction. So I definitely see a lot of merit in
6 continuing it being a hybrid.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Palmer, did you have any
8 thoughts?

9 MEMBER PALMER: I have not done one virtually so
10 I don't know if I can speak to it very well. But I also
11 have been looking out in the next few months and looked
12 at one particular instance where it might allow me to
13 participate if I do it virtually.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: So what you are saying is I am
15 the only Committee member in Parker? Is that what we
16 are saying?

17 MEMBER HAMWAY: I am going to Parker.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: We are good. Okay.

19 Good. I didn't mean to cut you off.

20 MEMBER PALMER: No. I think the point is well
21 taken that it is probably part of life as we know it
22 right now. And I don't know that it is going to go
23 back. My preference is always going to be to be in
24 person at these meetings, and so far I have been at each
25 one. But I wouldn't rule out the potential that I might

1 need to do that at some point.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Grinnell or Member Drago,
3 if you have any thoughts on that issue.

4 MEMBER GRINNELL: Mr. Chairman.

5 MEMBER DRAGO: Mr. Chairman.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes, Member Drago.

7 MEMBER GRINNELL: Oh, okay. Thanks, Len.

8 I think when I first applied for this position I
9 explained that, number one, for the summers I am going
10 to be in and out of the state. But I also understand,
11 you know, Committee Member Noland's position. And
12 frankly, I would rather be there in person if at all
13 possible. But the reality is in today's world it is not
14 possible.

15 And I will say this. When I am not at the
16 meeting itself, it sort of allows me a little bit more
17 time to read the documents that are mailed to us. Also,
18 any of the emails that are made to us, it affords me an
19 opportunity not to try -- so when I am focused on the
20 meeting, I am focused on the meeting and being able to
21 do that. I don't have to multitask and do other things
22 while I am here.

23 And to the cost, the one advantage doing this
24 virtually to the applicants is that they are not paying
25 for a hotel room. They are not paying for whatever

1 little expenses come with having to be there in person.
2 And so from a cost/benefit analysis, I would say there
3 was probably a push.

4 And for the convenience of being able to
5 participate, I think it is advantageous for the members
6 to be able to do this virtual. It is just a reality of
7 life. I have got family members and situations and
8 business just like everybody else. And it is expanded
9 beyond Arizona. However, I will be in Tucson for two
10 weeks for sure.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Drago.

12 Thank you.

13 MEMBER DRAGO: Yeah, Mr. Chairman. I agree
14 pretty much with what everyone says. But I think having
15 the flexibility is really a huge benefit to the
16 Committee members.

17 My personal example this week, I came down with
18 COVID and just finished a trip, road trip, and didn't
19 even expect that I wouldn't be there. So I think the
20 opportunity to call in it was fantastic.

21 So I would hate for us to go back to a situation
22 where we need to be in person or we don't attend. So
23 that would be my preference, is to have the flexibility.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: I hope you feel better.

25 MEMBER PALMER: You can go back on the

1 ventilator now, Len.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen.

3 MEMBER DRAGO: It is a delta strain, but, man,
4 it is a pain, guys. It is a terrible feeling. I can
5 breathe, thank God.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Well, get better.

7 Member Haenichen.

8 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Well, I am just going to give
9 you my take on this discussion. I have no doubt that
10 this virtual thing is the wave of the future. And in
11 the long run, it will have established a firm place in
12 proceedings like these. But having said that, I think
13 there is a hell of a lot of problems with it, and they
14 are going to have to be worked through by the industry
15 that supports this.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: Any further comments?

17 MEMBER HAMWAY: I just had a question when you
18 asked if you were going to be the only one in Parker.
19 Legally would we have a quorum if you were the only one
20 and we were all on video? Would that -- how would that
21 legally constitute a meeting?

22 CHMN. CHENAL: Well, I think we can meet even if
23 it is, you know --

24 MEMBER HAMWAY: Zoom.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: -- Zoom or telephonic means.

1 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: I mean the Corporation Commission
3 itself held meetings when everyone was by Zoom. So I
4 figure if it is good enough for them, it is good enough
5 for us.

6 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: I think that's been settled. I
8 have never researched it, but I am confident that a
9 meeting can occur by, you know, technological means as
10 well as in person. Well, I wish -- I mean the worst
11 thing I heard is Member Drago's.

12 I hope you get better soon. I mean that's the
13 most important thing. But I guess --

14 MEMBER DRAGO: Thank you.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: -- the proof of the efficacy of a
16 Zoom meeting is the fact that you are participating in
17 this meeting when you could not do it in a live setting.

18 So I mean I guess -- and as far as I am
19 concerned, the more the better. So okay. Yeah,
20 appreciate it. I just thought it was something that I
21 wanted to, you know, poll the Committee. I know it is a
22 little out of order in a sense. But I think it informs
23 me of what I asked of the applicants going forward and,
24 you know, how we set up these hearings.

25 So I thank you. So monopolized the time.

1 Mr. Derstine and Ms. Benally, I will turn it back to
2 you.

3 BY MR. DERSTINE:

4 Q. All right. So you have done the show and tell
5 and virtual open house. And I guess just the final note
6 on that, when I see 160 unique visitors, if I think back
7 to the open houses that we oftentimes hold or held prior
8 to COVID, oftentimes they took place in a school
9 gymnasium or a community center. And for many projects,
10 you might just have five, 10 people walking in that
11 door. It seems to me on a project like this, where you
12 had 160 visitors, we had engagement in my view, in my
13 opinion, at a higher level than what we might otherwise
14 have had if we held a public open house, you know, in a
15 gym or a community center close to this project.

16 Do you disagree with that, Mr. Duncan?

17 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) No, I agree with that.

18 Q. Okay. I think your next topic is to talk about
19 the stakeholder briefings.

20 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes. Thank you.

21 So stakeholder briefings were held regularly
22 with the City of Phoenix and the Arizona State Land
23 Department, as has been discussed at length.

24 The Arizona State Land Department, during our
25 development of this project, provided verbal support for

1 the alignment of the proposed route, again, placed along
2 the half section line between State Route 74 and the
3 Dove Valley Road alignment.

4 We also received additional letters of support
5 by the City of Phoenix, TSMC themselves, and the Greater
6 Phoenix Economic Council. And here on the right is
7 just, you know, I am not expecting you to read these,
8 but copies of the letters from TSMC and the City of
9 Phoenix.

10 We also maintained -- we talked about this
11 already, but we maintained a project web page under the
12 APS.com banner which was available to customers to learn
13 about the project, read project materials, and provided
14 links to the relevant documentation about the siting and
15 CEC processes.

16 A project telephone information line was
17 maintained to allow customers another avenue to learn
18 about the project, leave comments, or to request a
19 follow-up from a project team member.

20 And then I already said a little bit about this,
21 but I will add to it. So we used social media,
22 specifically the placement of ads on Facebook and
23 Instagram, as another avenue of engagement with our
24 customers. The ads were directed at customers
25 throughout our notification area.

1 And yes, Member Gentles, I would believe that,
2 yeah, I probably did. It is really good targeting, but
3 in general, it was focused on that notification area.
4 And this, as I mentioned, our notification area did
5 include those residential areas east of our study area.

6 So the ads were placed between June 14th and
7 June 28th initially during the window of the public
8 comment session for the virtual open house. But then
9 they were placed again between July 8th and July 22nd to
10 announce the current evidentiary hearings. So the ads
11 at the time of the virtual open house were viewed by
12 more than 33,000 customers.

13 Now, this information as provided by Facebook
14 and Instagram does not discriminate between repeat
15 visits. So it is possible that that 33,000 is repeat
16 visits by some customers. However, what we do know for
17 certain is that 27 customers clicked on the ad for more
18 information.

19 And then finally, emails were sent to customers
20 served by lines within the notification area that have
21 provided an email address to APS.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: Mr. Duncan, what does VOH stand
23 for again?

24 MR. DUNCAN: I am sorry. That's virtual open
25 house.

1 CHMN. CHENAL: Thank you.

2 BY MR. DERSTINE:

3 Q. And for the record, Mr. Duncan, the newsletter
4 that you mentioned that went out is found at APS-16.
5 The postcard that's announcing this hearing is found at
6 APS Exhibit 17. The letters of support from Taiwan
7 Semiconductor, City of Phoenix, and Greater Phoenix
8 Economic Council, are found at APS-19, 20, and 21. And
9 your virtual open house slides or screen shots are found
10 at APS-22.

11 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) That is correct. And just
12 before I move on, I just want to point out what these
13 exhibits are.

14 This is a portion of our Biscuit Flats project
15 website page. This is not the entirety of it, just the
16 very top. And this here on the right side is indicative
17 of our social media, typical social media ad layout.

18 MEMBER HAMWAY: Mr. Chairman, I have a question.

19 So the social media, you had 27 customers click
20 on the ad just from the social media or the emails that
21 you sent. Did you get any numbers about how many people
22 clicked after they received an email?

23 MR. DUNCAN: So the email, the information that
24 would have been included in those customers' emails
25 would have directed them to the virtual open house and

1 to our website. And we did not track the number of
2 people that accessed it getting it from the email. The
3 analytics provided by Facebook and Instagram, however,
4 is what provided us with that 27. So that is specific
5 to the social media.

6 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay.

7 MR. DUNCAN: Can I clarify that for you?

8 MEMBER HAMWAY: No. I am always one that pushes
9 emails to, you know, residents and different things,
10 different customers. And so I guess I was just curious
11 if social media was enough, or if the emails generated
12 an additional. Because I would like, if I were affected
13 by this project, I would like to get an email that let
14 me know there was an evidentiary hearing and all the
15 details. I would like an email for that if I have given
16 you that information in the past.

17 MR. DUNCAN: And that's exactly what occurred.
18 So all customers that are within our notification area
19 that are fed by power lines, which is 100 percent of
20 people living in the notification area, would have
21 received emails if they provided their email to APS.

22 MEMBER HAMWAY: Right.

23 MR. DUNCAN: Now, because of the nature of the
24 way those emails are done, it is likely that customers
25 outside the notification area also received that

1 information, just because, unlike the Facebook and
2 Instagram ads which could be targeted very specifically,
3 the method for our emails follows the feeders that serve
4 those homes, and those feeders serve both inside and
5 outside the notification area. So, as a matter of fact,
6 it is likely that the email list included people outside
7 that notification area, and in many cases maybe far
8 outside the notification area, which is unfortunate but
9 it is a reality of the nature of determining those
10 lists.

11 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay. Yeah, I wouldn't want to
12 get the email if it was 10 miles away.

13 MR. DUNCAN: I can't speak to how far away
14 people are, but I know with certainty that I had one
15 person who happens to be an employee who lives several
16 miles away and received the email.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: So any idea, Mr. Duncan, of how
18 many emails were sent?

19 MR. DUNCAN: No, I do not have that number.

20 CHMN. CHENAL: All right.

21 MEMBER DRAGO: Mr. Chairman, this is Member
22 Drago.

23 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes.

24 MEMBER DRAGO: Mr. Duncan, it is good to hear
25 you testify. I got a question about TSMC.

1 So it is always a good idea for companies that
2 large coming into a community to do community outreach.
3 To what extent was TSMC involved with this public
4 outreach that APS did for this project?

5 MR. DUNCAN: TSMC, other than providing us with
6 information, was not involved.

7 MEMBER DRAGO: Thank you.

8 MR. DUNCAN: It is good to see you, Mr. Drago.
9 And I hope you feel better.

10 MEMBER DRAGO: Thank you.

11 BY MR. DERSTINE:

12 Q. I guess on that point, Mr. Duncan, though, are
13 you saying TSMC has not done their own outreach and
14 community relations concerning their project, or are you
15 just simply saying with regard to the outreach for our
16 transmission line relocation project TSMC was not
17 involved?

18 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) I am specifically referring to
19 the outreach for the transmission line. I am not aware
20 of the extent of their public outreach for their own
21 project. There probably were requirements by the City
22 of Phoenix. But I don't know what those were or to what
23 level those were done.

24 MR. DERSTINE: Okay.

25 MEMBER DRAGO: Mainly for this project

1 specifically is what my question was related to.

2 MR. DERSTINE: Okay.

3 MEMBER DRAGO: Thank you.

4 BY MR. DERSTINE:

5 Q. I think this comes to the end of your
6 presentation on public outreach and engagement. Is
7 there anything else you wanted to add on this?

8 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) No, there is not.

9 Q. Okay. Our next section transitions back to
10 Mr. Spitzkoff on noise and EMF.

11 So, Mr. Spitzkoff, I am trying to find the
12 section. The issues that we are required to address in
13 a new CEC application and also studied were noise,
14 interference with communication facilities. And that
15 also includes electromagnetic fields generated by the
16 transmission lines. Those topics are covered under
17 Exhibit I in the supplement to the application to amend,
18 which is APS Exhibit 2.

19 Let's start -- or we are going to start with
20 noise analysis, so let's cover that topic?

21 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Okay. Sorry. I didn't know
22 if that was my lead in.

23 Q. That was. That's all you got.

24 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) That was it? Okay.

25 So from the noise analysis, really it comes down

1 to just a handful of factors. First, the existing line
2 and the relocated segment is in the same general area.
3 It is currently all undeveloped, and the only
4 development that's going to be in a reasonable distance
5 right now is going to be the TSMC facility.

6 The relocated line is going to be consistent
7 with the construction of the existing line. The
8 analysis shows that all noise, noise levels and impacts
9 are going to be consistent with existing lines. So
10 there should be minimal noise impact expected due to
11 relocating this three and a half mile segment.

12 Q. So my sense of it is that the noise that will be
13 created will be from the construction phase of the
14 project, but once the line is relocated, it should not
15 have any greater noise impact than the existing line, is
16 that right?

17 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) That's correct.

18 Q. And I think you and I talked about this at one
19 point in time. And my question was when would I
20 experience or why would I experience noise from, say, a
21 500/230kV line. And can you answer that question and
22 maybe convey that information to the Committee?

23 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Certainly, I could try.

24 Generally when noise of a transmission line is
25 discussed, it is referring to what is called the corona

1 effect. And what that basically means, it is the
2 ionization of the air due to the power flowing through
3 the line. And that will happen only in, you know, the
4 proper conditions.

5 When you get nicks in a line or sharp angles in
6 a line, that provides opportunities for power to escape
7 and potentially ionize the surrounding air. It also
8 requires a higher level of particulate matter in the air
9 or very humid conditions for that to occur also. As a
10 matter of fact, one of the reasons why most pieces of
11 equipment that you will see associated with a line and
12 in a substation tend to be rounded and not, and not
13 squared. You know, that's part of the design of those
14 equipment.

15 Q. Okay. We covered noise.

16 In many ways this case is about electromagnetic
17 interference, but a different or certainly a higher
18 sensitivity of electromagnetic interference than what we
19 are used to discussing before the Committee. I think
20 what we have done is you studied the amount of EMF that
21 will be -- is likely to be generated from the 500/230kV
22 line. Why don't you cover that now, and then I will
23 have a few questions about how we compare that and
24 contrast that to the kind of EMF/EMI issues that are
25 driving the relocation of the line.

1 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Sure. So what this analysis
2 is, it is what you would typically see in our CEC
3 applications and packets. So we calculate the expected
4 electric field values for what this line will be and
5 specifically the relocated segment. And those values
6 would be well below the IEEE -- IEEE is Institute of
7 Electric and -- oh, boy. I should have written that
8 down. It is an industry group. They have not a
9 standard, recommended values. And this line would be
10 well below what the recommended limits are.

11 As far as the magnetic fields, again, it would
12 be comparable to the existing lines of this voltage, and
13 the graphs on the right show what the calculated fields
14 would be. If we look at the top graph, the axis
15 going -- what would be the Y axis, so up and down, is
16 representative of the centerline of the structures. And
17 going out along the X axis, so to the left or the right,
18 is the distance off of that centerline.

19 So, for instance, if you are 100 feet off the
20 centerline, the field value at 100 feet is calculated to
21 be about 20 milligauss value. Previously you heard
22 Mr. Harrison testify the values that, for a
23 semiconductor plant, that they try to maintain at or
24 below are one milligauss, which is an extremely low
25 value. And 100 feet from a 500/230 structure with the

1 expected amount of power flowing through this line would
2 be about 20 milligauss. Go out to 200 feet, you are
3 going to be about 10 or a little bit under 10
4 milligauss.

5 CHMN. CHENAL: Mr. Spitzkoff, what is the
6 difference between the top graph and the bottom graph?
7 I mean the numbers are different, but are they measuring
8 the same thing?

9 MR. SPITZKOFF: These are just measuring the
10 different parts of the line. So there is one line that
11 is like the east-west run and the other is the
12 north-south section.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Thank you.

14 MEMBER HAMWAY: Mr. Chairman.

15 At what distance do you meet one milligauss? I
16 know they are asking for a thousand. But at what point
17 does one milligauss happen?

18 MR. SPITZKOFF: I don't have that number
19 specifically. I believe we calculated those values a
20 few months ago, and it was just short of a thousand, be
21 somewhere just short of a thousand feet, but I do not
22 remember the exact amount of feet.

23 MEMBER HAMWAY: Thank you.

24 BY MR. DERSTINE:

25 Q. I guess when I was asking you away from this

1 Committee about these charts that are shown on the
2 screen, but they are also contained in Exhibit I on
3 page 6 of the supplement, the supplement being APS
4 Exhibit 2, you indicated that if you extended the graph
5 out, that the level of decrease in EMF takes a long time
6 to taper. You have that, a steep dropoff, as you see,
7 as you travel away over the distance of 50 to 100 to 150
8 feet. But out at 200 feet, the dissipation of EMF
9 tapers off, and it takes a fairly significant distance
10 to bring it down to that one milligauss level. Is that
11 a correct statement?

12 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) That's a correct statement.
13 And you can see that in the shape. As you mentioned, as
14 you start going further and getting to the lower range
15 of the field values, the drop in those values becomes
16 less steep.

17 So, for instance, if you look at the value at 50
18 feet, say we call that 40 milligauss, and then go to 100
19 feet, that would be, you know, just under 20. So that's
20 a drop of 20, 20 milligauss, or 50 percent. And if we
21 take that same approach and look at 150, you are at, if
22 we maybe call that 10, and then out at 200, you call
23 that eight or seven, so you can see the decrease starts
24 getting less and less.

25 Q. Right. And I guess the reality is that -- well,

1 you have the chart that shows the EMF that's generated
2 by various household appliances. The Committee is used
3 to seeing this kind of graph, the milligauss value at
4 various distances away from those common household
5 appliances. And our modern day environment is that we
6 are experiencing EMFs at certainly a higher level than
7 one milligauss for much of our life. And I can't
8 imagine what the EMF rating is in this room with all
9 these monitors and computers and wi-fi that's spinning
10 around us just here in the hearing room. Is that --

11 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Yes, that's correct.
12 Basically in our modern environment, you are never
13 really that far from any electrical source. And that's
14 what is going to generate your magnetic fields. So you
15 are almost constantly in an environment that has a
16 magnetic field.

17 Q. Right.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Haenichen has a question.
19 Go ahead.

20 MEMBER HAENICHEN: But isn't it true that the
21 applicant is satisfied with the thousand foot level?

22 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes, they are. We are.

23 MEMBER HAENICHEN: Seals it for me.

24 BY MR. DERSTINE:

25 Q. Yeah. And that's really the point of this, is

1 that APS is not an expert in semiconductor
2 manufacturing, far from it. We relied on TSMC and their
3 engineers and their subject matter experts to advise us
4 in terms of the appropriate distance for relocating the
5 line that ensures that they are meeting their EMF
6 manufacturing standards. Do I have that right?

7 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) You are correct.

8 Q. Okay. And really the difference in the, as we
9 talked about, the need and the driver for relocating the
10 line is that the extremely high sensitivity to
11 electromagnetic interference of TSMC's manufacturing
12 operations is something that's unique to this case, but
13 it is a very different kind of environment and need than
14 our ability to -- or measurement of EMF that comes from
15 the traditional transmission line that's being built,
16 you know, out anywhere along any street or being built
17 in the project area?

18 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Yes, that's correct. You
19 know, as you heard yesterday, the process that they have
20 is to such an extreme for a number of factors. I
21 believe you mentioned the air quality is 10,000 times
22 greater than an operating room. The quality of the
23 water they use is some factor. And, you know, even the
24 vibration in the ground they are sensitive to. And, you
25 know, the sensitivity to electromagnetic fields is among

1 those. You know, they are, from what we all learned,
2 they are basically layering atom by atom of silicon
3 material. So it is just such an extreme process that,
4 you know, it has that sensitivity.

5 Q. Right. Anything else you wanted to touch on on
6 electromagnetic fields?

7 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) That's all I have.

8 Q. I guess this area, the requirements that we
9 cover are that is there any -- also require that we
10 analyze whether there will be any interference with
11 communication facilities.

12 Are you aware of any communication facilities
13 that are in the vicinity of the relocated line segment
14 that may cause problems for television or radio
15 transmission?

16 A. There is nothing in the area -- or let me
17 rephrase that. We are not aware of anything in the
18 area. Being generally an undeveloped area, you would
19 tend to think you would see anything that's there. And
20 there is no communication structures anywhere in the
21 area.

22 MR. DERSTINE: Okay. So that's it. I think we
23 covered noise and EMF. We covered the topics that
24 Mr. Duncan has covered. We are next ready to move on to
25 the environmental study work.

1 If you want to take a short recess when we
2 transition to Mr. Turner, or we can jump right in.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: Oh, let's just take a short
4 recess here, take a 10- or 15-minute break, and then we
5 will resume. Thank you.

6 (A recess ensued from 2:40 p.m. to 3:01 p.m.)

7 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Let's go back on the
8 record and resume the hearing after our break. I think
9 that was a well-timed break, just for a lot of reasons.
10 I just -- things were -- it was an appropriate time to
11 take a break. So it was a good suggestion,
12 Mr. Derstine. And now I guess we are ready to move on
13 to Mr. Turner.

14 MR. DERSTINE: We are. We are going to move on
15 to Mr. Turner. But before the break, we had a question
16 asking about if there were any analytics on the targeted
17 emails that went out as part of the outreach campaign.
18 And I think Mr. Duncan has those numbers now, so we will
19 put those on the record.

20 MR. DUNCAN: Yes, I do. So I am going to admit
21 I wasn't even aware that we had the technology to track
22 this kind of information.

23 So the total number delivered was 7,109. Unique
24 opens, meaning the number of individual customers who
25 opened those emails, was 3,091. And then, finally, the

1 number of unique clicks, meaning they clicked on an
2 email, or clicked on a link in the email, was 251.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: Impressive to Member Hamway's
4 point about preferring an email. It seems to bear that
5 out. It looks like a lot of people do that; although,
6 there were 32,000 impressions under the social media.
7 But, still, that's a pretty significant number of email.

8 MR. DUNCAN: Yeah, email --

9 CHMN. CHENAL: Opens.

10 MR. DUNCAN: -- we appreciate having that
11 ability to do that as part of our siting outreach. And
12 APS uses that in some of its other outreach efforts.

13 MR. DERSTINE: All right. So I think you are
14 out of the seat, Mr. Duncan, and we are going to move on
15 to Ms. Benally and Mr. Turner, covering environmental
16 study work.

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18 DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED

19 BY MS. BENALLY:

20 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Turner.

21 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Good afternoon.

22 Q. Oh, you changed spots on me. I was looking over
23 that way. And I didn't recognize --

24 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I need to see the screen here.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: It is easy to see how you can

1 confuse Mr. Turner and Mr. Spitzkoff.

2 MS. BENALLY: You threw me off at the start of
3 our presentation.

4 BY MS. BENALLY:

5 Q. So the case before this Committee is to amend
6 two prior decisions. We have been talking about that
7 yesterday and then certainly throughout this morning.
8 And it is related to Cases 120 and 131. Before you
9 actually get into the environmental studies, I think it
10 would be helpful for the Committee to understand how you
11 approached the environmental study for this, these
12 project changes. And the project changes we have been
13 talking about are the 500/230kV line relocation as well
14 as the new 500/230kV substation, which has also been
15 referred to as TS-22, as well as the expansion of the
16 Avery substation from, you know, the authorized 10 to
17 the 64-acre site. So if you would start with that, that
18 would be helpful.

19 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. We approached this as a
20 new analysis. We definitely reviewed the past
21 environmental documents associated with Case CEC 131 and
22 120, but we performed new database searches. As we have
23 talked about, those previous studies are more than a
24 decade and a half old. Therefore, the environmental
25 databases have been updated in that time frame.

1 We also performed field investigations, and we
2 developed specific conclusions for the project
3 components that you are talking about, the relocation of
4 the transmission line and the two substations.

5 Q. Okay. So I think we can advance to your next
6 slide, which is, I believe, 137 and 138.

7 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

8 Q. Okay. Would you provide an overview of the
9 environmental studies that you conducted, please.

10 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. We were responsible for
11 Exhibit A, the land use; Exhibit B, the environmental
12 studies; Exhibit C, the areas of biological wealth;
13 Exhibit D, biological resources; Exhibit E, which is
14 scenic, historic, and archeological sites; Exhibit F,
15 which is recreation; and then Exhibit H, which is
16 existing plans.

17 Q. And just for the record, these are the factors
18 that are set forth in what is referred to as the line
19 siting statute, A.R.S. 40-360.06, that the Siting
20 Committee is directed to consider that you have included
21 on the list, and they are on the left side of the
22 screen, is that right, the left screen?

23 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct.

24 Q. Okay. And these are the factors that are going
25 to be included in your testimony today?

1 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

2 Q. All right. So with that, let's go to your next
3 slide. Let's start with the description of the study
4 area.

5 Although it has been discussed several times
6 today, as you move into your part of the testimony, I
7 think it is helpful just to reorient the Committee and
8 point out any of the major features in the description
9 to help us understand what the math is.

10 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Okay. I would be happy to. I
11 will refrain from all the detail others have suggested
12 about I-17 and the other freeways. I do want to point
13 out the one mile buffer, the study limit area that's
14 around there, that is the shape file that we would
15 submit to the database searches with the various
16 agencies.

17 I do want to call out this bottom subset map,
18 the bottom left map. You can see the dark blue down
19 there is the dark blue you see on the main map. And I
20 just really wanted to point out the sheer volume of
21 state land west of I-17, and south and north as well.
22 So we are on the edge of where development has occurred
23 in the, I was going to say in the neighborhood, in the
24 valley. I just wanted to point out that as we start in
25 our discussions about land use.

1 Oh, I apologize. One other thing I wanted to
2 point out on the large map, the residential areas are
3 the clear areas of private land on the east side of the
4 map. And those are the closest residences to the
5 project.

6 Q. Okay. Thank you.

7 So let's go to your next slide. And I believe
8 you have Figure A-2. Would you please describe the
9 existing land use within the study area and then touch
10 on any jurisdictions within the study area in your
11 testimony.

12 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure. Everything on this map
13 is within the City of Phoenix jurisdiction. As I just
14 mentioned, the bulk of the study area within the
15 one-mile study area is state land. We will go into some
16 specifics in just a minute. Everything in gray here the
17 City of Phoenix has classified in their existing plan as
18 undeveloped land, so everything in gray. The red you
19 see is existing commercial development. The darker blue
20 is also state land. It is the Ben Avery shooting range
21 and the Arizona Game & Fish Department headquarters.
22 There is one recreational trail along Deadman Wash, so
23 that's on the northwest part of the area. And it is a
24 trail that currently stops at 74.

25 I would like to point out that both the existing

1 line, which you see in red, and the proposed line, 3.5
2 miles in black, are all within the same land use
3 category.

4 I think that's all I had on this slide.

5 Q. Okay. Do you have a summary of your findings
6 regarding existing land uses that you would like to
7 finish with on this slide?

8 A. (BY MR. TURNER) The proposed route would result
9 in minimal impacts on existing land uses and recreation
10 opportunities.

11 Q. Okay. So now let's move to your next map,
12 Figure A-3, and use that to describe existing land use
13 within the study area.

14 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I will be happy to. This will
15 help clarify where the residential areas are. We had
16 that discussion thread throughout the day.

17 This is the City of Phoenix 2015 general plan.
18 It is the land use layers that come out of that plan.
19 The salmon color, which makes up the bulk of the study
20 area boundary, is three different categories, the
21 commercial, commerce, and business park. So it has
22 multiple categories all for commercial development.
23 Both the existing line in red and the black line, the
24 proposed, are within that land use category, the
25 commercial area.

1 The residential areas are going to be located,
2 the proposed future residential areas that the City of
3 Phoenix sees as possible, are west of Deadman Wash. The
4 green areas are open space and they are associated with
5 the -- this is Deadman Wash. On the right side east of
6 I-17 is Skunk Creek. And just off the map outside of
7 our area is a large drainage called New River, which
8 many of you have probably heard of.

9 Look at my notes here a second.

10 I do want to point out the City of Phoenix, the
11 North Gateway Village was the original plan that defined
12 this area in the late '90s and early 2000s. They also
13 showed this same parcel as commercial, the blending into
14 residential area, the City of Phoenix, the residential
15 being down closer to where the Loop 303 was being
16 proposed. But in 2015 the City of Phoenix updated that,
17 and that's where you get these land use categories.

18 The City of Phoenix has further developed their
19 zoning for the parcel west of I-17, south of 74, and
20 north of 303. They call it the North Phoenix 3500 PUD,
21 which is planned unit development. It was finalized
22 last year, 2020. And again, everything is coming up
23 commercial in this area. That's how they see this being
24 developed, a commercial hub.

25 I would like to point out that the proposed

1 facility, proposed transmission line that goes up to the
2 half section line is the supported route by Arizona
3 State Land. It minimizes impacts to future roads and
4 parcel development associated with the City of Phoenix's
5 North Phoenix 3500 PUD.

6 Q. Okay. Thank you for covering existing and
7 future land uses in the area.

8 Before we move off this topic, these references
9 or maps that you are referring to are included in the
10 Exhibit A of APS's supplement to the application to
11 amend, is that correct?

12 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct. The North
13 Phoenix 3500 PUD is Map A-4.

14 Q. Right. And this is included in what's marked as
15 Exhibit APS-2, and it is Exhibit A in that document?

16 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes, ma'am.

17 Q. All right. So from here then I believe we move
18 to the -- for you to describe the company's efforts to
19 coordinate project plans with the jurisdictions' plans?

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I did forget one element I
21 would like to talk about, this map.

22 Q. Yes, please do.

23 A. (BY MR. TURNER) The City of Phoenix has called
24 out several recreational trails in this general area.
25 This came from the 2015 plan I mentioned. And there is

1 a more current one, the 2020 plan. They don't define
2 the trails, but I would like to just point out where the
3 City of Phoenix envisions that taking place.

4 It is hard to see, but there is trails on the
5 north and south side of the 74, the Carefree Highway,
6 and they have trails that run east to west on the north
7 side and south side. The Deadman Wash still has a
8 trail, and they added a few more fingers down below.
9 And then the Skunk Creek area, which is outside, that's
10 on the other side of I-17, also has some more trails.
11 And then just within the property is, along the Dove
12 Valley Road alignment, they called out a couple trails
13 that bleed down to Loop 303. These trails are just
14 lines on a map. And when you look at the North Phoenix
15 3500 PUD plan, they comment that the trails will follow
16 the main circulation routes as they are developed.

17 Thank you. I just wanted to make sure I pointed
18 that out.

19 Q. Thank you for raising that.

20 Do you have anything further that you would like
21 to comment on future land use or your conclusions
22 regarding your findings regarding future land use
23 relative to the project changes?

24 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. The proposed route would
25 result in minimal impacts on existing or planned land

1 uses or the recreation opportunities. As I point out,
2 both the existing facility and the proposed line
3 relocation are within the same land use category, the
4 commercial area.

5 Q. Thank you.

6 Are you ready now to move to Exhibit H?

7 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

8 Q. Okay. And I believe that's here, the slides
9 that are up on the screen now. Would you describe the
10 company's efforts regarding the coordination of the
11 project plans with existing plans.

12 A. Yes. We have -- like I mentioned, the 2015 City
13 of Phoenix general plan is the main document that the
14 city will use, along with the North Phoenix 3500 PUD.
15 We sent letters to State Land, the City of Phoenix,
16 Maricopa County, and ADOT requesting more information on
17 their existing and planned developments in the area. No
18 responses were received to those Exhibit H letters.

19 MEMBER HAMWAY: Is that unusual?

20 MR. TURNER: I am sorry. I didn't hear the
21 question.

22 MEMBER HAMWAY: Is not receiving a response
23 usual or unusual?

24 MR. TURNER: I think it depends on the level of
25 coordination that's already going on elsewhere. As we

1 mentioned, Mr. Spitzkoff mentioned that they have been
2 having planning meetings with the City of Phoenix and
3 Arizona State Land Department on a regular basis that is
4 project specific, whereas the letters that I sent out as
5 the consultant are more general letters asking for their
6 knowledge of future projects in this care. And it is
7 really just reiterating what we are seeing in the plans
8 and wanting to see if something like the North Phoenix
9 3500 PUD is coming along in the future or something like
10 that.

11 MEMBER HAMWAY: Thank you.

12 BY MS. BENALLY:

13 Q. And I believe you have one more slide,
14 Mr. Turner?

15 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. This is a sample of the
16 letter. I believe this one, if I can get my eyes to
17 work, this one was a copy of the City of Phoenix letter.
18 All four letters have similar language, and did have a
19 map that was associated with it.

20 Q. Okay. Do you have any findings that you would
21 like to share with the Committee regarding proposed
22 changes relative to the existing plans?

23 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I do not, other than the
24 proposed route would result in minimal impacts of
25 planned development. You know, our project, the City of

1 Phoenix sees this area as a large commercial development
2 area. And to be honest, the transmission line is the
3 spine that would be what the City of Phoenix needs to
4 develop that area.

5 Q. Mr. Turner --

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Gentles.

7 MEMBER GENTLES: I am sorry, just a general
8 question or comment.

9 Deer Valley airport is not too far from this
10 site. Any impacts on the project or otherwise as a
11 result.

12 MR. TURNER: No. This is far enough that the
13 FAA restrictions on height are not required.

14 MEMBER GENTLES: Thank you.

15 BY MS. BENALLY:

16 Q. Mr. Turner, would you happen to have the
17 supplement to the application in front of you?

18 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I will in just a second.

19 Q. Thank you.

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Okay.

21 Q. If you don't mind turning to Exhibit A, page A9.

22 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Okay.

23 Q. And what is the last chapter or section on that
24 page?

25 A. (BY MR. TURNER) The conclusions?

1 Q. And I believe that conclusion, if you just want
2 to read the first sentence, I think that is part of your
3 conclusion regarding planned future development.

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Relocating the transmission
5 line and construction of the Avery substation will
6 accommodate planned future development, including the
7 TSMC facility.

8 Q. Okay. Thank you.

9 Okay. Do you have anything else you would like
10 to cover under Exhibit H?

11 A. (BY MR. TURNER) No.

12 Q. Okay. So then that takes us to the next
13 chapter, if you will. This is regarding biological
14 resources. You are going to be covering a couple of
15 exhibits in this portion of your testimony. Walk us
16 through the biological studies, including both special
17 status species and then any species of concern.

18 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure.

19 Q. I am sorry, Mr. Turner. Before you start, this
20 is the first map that we see on the right-hand now that
21 has the triangular section, if you will, of the ASLD
22 preferred location for the TS-22. Thank you for
23 pointing that out, yes.

24 So as you are having discussions or providing
25 information to the Committee, if you would, also include

1 any additional testimony, if there is any, regarding
2 that section or that particular change for TS-22?

3 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Thank you. I will be happy to.

4 Q. Okay. So with that, let me restate, reorient.
5 Walk us through the biological studies, including
6 special status species and then the species of concern.

7 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure. So I previously
8 mentioned that the one-mile buffer was the shape file
9 that we provided the agencies. We reached out to the
10 Arizona Game & Fish as well as the United States Fish
11 and Wildlife Service. We received databases back from
12 them.

13 The way they do the database search is they
14 provide beyond their study limits. So our database goes
15 out more than three miles to generate our species list.
16 So any species list from this change has already been
17 incorporated because the boundary is much larger. And
18 we definitely have analyzed the area for these species.

19 Just as a -- since I am a biologist, I feel
20 obligated to do a little biology here.

21 We have Skunk Creek along the east side of I-17,
22 and we have the New River, which is just west of our
23 study area. Those are the largest drainages in our
24 area. The project is called Biscuit Flats because it is
25 very flat. From about I-17 all the way across that

1 study area, it only drops about 20 feet in elevation.

2 The point of this is there are very few
3 drainages, very few enhanced drainages. You can see
4 Deadman Wash coming through the center part of the study
5 limits. You can see the greenbelt a little bit. The
6 biological response there shows that that is a little
7 bit larger drainage. But everything within here are
8 just ephemeral drainages. We don't have any perennial
9 water, any open water that would have been habitat for
10 some of the species that came out of the list.

11 So we researched the Game & Fish and the Fish
12 and Wildlife Service. The bulk of their species would
13 require riparian habitat, again, very dense trees along
14 open water. Again, the database search comes back for a
15 broader area. And if you know the study area, Lake
16 Pleasant is within five miles of our area.

17 The conclusion is there are no listed or
18 threatened or endangered species or their associated
19 habitats within the study limits. We do have -- so that
20 is in regards to threatened and endangered species
21 actually listed and protected by the Endangered Species
22 Act.

23 There is one species that has potential to be in
24 the area. It is the Sonoran Desert tortoise. It
25 currently is a candidate species. So it is not

1 protected by the Fish and Wildlife Service at this
2 point.

3 We do know a lot about this species. The
4 Arizona Game & Fish Department has documented their
5 habitat and have databases that help us understand where
6 those areas are located. They categorize their habitat
7 as high importance, medium importance, and other
8 habitat. And within our study limits we don't have any
9 of those three categories.

10 But just south of us in the foothills that we
11 have been pointing out south of our area, that is the
12 lowest level habitat, the other habitat category. And
13 then along the west of us, along New River and, more
14 closely, the Agua Fria and the Hieroglyphic Mountains to
15 the west of us about five miles, that's the better
16 quality habitat.

17 The reason we bring this species up, it has
18 potential to be a transient in our area, but probably
19 does not have significant habitat. We don't feel that
20 there is any mitigation measures that would need to play
21 out for this species, but the landowner, the Arizona
22 State Land Department, through their rights-of-way
23 easements and grants do sometimes require some
24 construction mitigation measures, education mostly to
25 the construction crews of things of what to do.

1 The potential impacts to any special status
2 species associated with this project is truly the
3 150-foot right-of-way. And, more in particular, the
4 construction access road would remove vegetation and the
5 pole locations would remove vegetation. Those would be
6 the impacts associated with the construction and
7 operation. In addition, the actual footprint of the
8 substations would remove habitat. But this is all
9 considered minor impacts and nothing specific to a
10 special status species.

11 So my discussion now bleeds more toward the
12 general wildlife that can be found in the area.

13 We are in Sonoran Desert scrub, and so habitat
14 or the species within that area sometimes is protected
15 native plants. The Arizona native plant law would
16 protect cacti and some trees. Within our project area,
17 the three tree species that would be salvage restricted
18 and would require remuneration for removal would be
19 ironwood, mesquite, and palo verde trees. And cacti
20 such as the cholla, barrel cactus, saguaro, all of those
21 are salvage restricted plants and would have to go
22 through what is called a native plant inventory. The
23 State Land requires that as part of their easement, and
24 it basically calculates a value off the health of those
25 native plants. So that would be a requirement for this

1 project.

2 So that's a physical impact to native plants,
3 and again, that is just construction within the 150-foot
4 right-of-way.

5 In particular, in addition to native plant
6 impacts, there are general wildlife out there, mice,
7 rats, lots of insects, snakes; all of those are out
8 there and have habitat as well. Creosote flats provide
9 habitat for lots of species, rabbits and a lot of your
10 aerial species hunting those, the birds. Again, the
11 food resources that would be restricted due to this
12 project would occur within that footprint of the
13 150-foot right-of-way.

14 So associated with this project, it is minimal
15 impacts. And in regards to general wildlife, we don't
16 feel that there are any impacts that would require any
17 mitigation.

18 Q. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Turner.

19 So the exhibits that you referred to in your
20 testimony, both Exhibit C and Exhibit D, are also
21 included in APS's supplement, is that correct?

22 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

23 Q. Okay. Thank you.

24 All right. So let's now move to your next
25 topic, visual impacts. Describe to the Committee your

1 evaluation regarding visual resources.

2 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. Let me advance the slide.
3 Oh, I do want to go back.

4 So I will point out a lot of questions have come
5 up about what can be viewed from the residential areas.
6 So again, all the residential areas are on the east side
7 of I-17, and the closest would be about a half mile from
8 I-17 and about a mile from the resources.

9 We selected our KOPs, key observation points,
10 from vantage points along the corridor. And as we
11 discussed, the proposed transmission line is being moved
12 a half mile further north. So we focused our KOPs along
13 that section because it would be the most visible. We
14 did not focus along Loop 303 because the line would be
15 moving further away from there.

16 We have KOPs at Dove Valley and I-17.

17 The cursor needs to be moved up a little bit,
18 right in there. Thank you.

19 Also, from the I-17 and State Route 74, and then
20 from 51st Avenue and State Route 74, we have a couple
21 views. What we will do over the next few slides is I
22 will show the simulations and talk about the impact.

23 Q. While you are still on that map, Mr. Turner,
24 would you, if you haven't done so already, identify
25 which part of SR-74, which you also have been referring

1 to as Carefree Highway, has been designated as a scenic
2 corridor.

3 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. The entire stretch of 74
4 on this is within the City of Phoenix, and they have
5 designated that as a scenic corridor. That designation
6 came about in two or three folds from the late 1990s
7 into the most current years. And it really restricts
8 what the roadway prism looks like, the median, as well
9 as what development can occur within 100 to 200 feet of
10 the roadway right-of-way or roadway pavement.

11 And so you are asking me to point it out. It is
12 the entire stretch of 74 in this location.

13 Q. And since you are at this point the furthest
14 northern tip of the TS-22 proposed site, how far is that
15 from the scenic -- pardon me -- from SR-74?

16 A. (BY MR. TURNER) So I will give you two
17 different measurements. There is a blue area. The tip
18 of the blue area to State Route 74 is roughly 500 feet,
19 and the tip of the purple, or, excuse me, pink, is
20 roughly 250 feet.

21 Q. Okay.

22 A. (BY MR. TURNER) So it is, outside of that area
23 would be restricted by the scenic highway.

24 Q. Okay, thank you.

25 A. (BY MR. TURNER) All right. I will move to

1 the --

2 MEMBER GRINNELL: Mr. Chairman.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Grinnell.

4 MEMBER GRINNELL: Just real quick, I noticed on
5 your chart you have in brown the Bureau of Prisons. Is
6 that really an area that is going to be addressed or
7 impacted? I can't see it on your map.

8 MR. TURNER: The Bureau of Prisons is just at
9 the tip of the map up here. This little stretch is BLM
10 land, and the dark right above it is the Bureau of
11 Prisons. It is outside of the one-mile study limits,
12 but on this map.

13 MEMBER GRINNELL: All right. I am just
14 wondering why -- okay, thanks.

15 MR. TURNER: So I mentioned we have prepared
16 some simulations. These are in your binders under
17 Exhibit E. And these are the figures E-1 through E-8.
18 And I will point things out. To me I can see them on
19 the screen, but it may be easier for you to be looking
20 in your binder or on your tablet.

21 BY MS. BENALLY:

22 Q. Mr. Turner, when you say binder, are you
23 referring to the exhibit binder?

24 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

25 Q. They are, Mr. Turner, I believe, included in the

1 supplement to APS's application. And it is behind
2 Exhibit E. That is where four of your simulations are
3 included. And then the new simulation I believe,
4 Mr. Turner, correct me if I'm wrong, is included as an
5 exhibit in the exhibit binder because it is one that was
6 created after you created the original ones as APS-23?

7 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That is correct. And we will
8 show that simulation after I go through this
9 presentation.

10 Q. And just for the benefit of the Committee,
11 sometimes it is easier to refer to the exhibits that are
12 in your supplement. So that's available there as well.

13 I am sorry, Mr. Turner. Go ahead.

14 A. (BY MR. TURNER) No, that's all right.

15 Before we jump into the actual simulations, I do
16 want to point out we do classify the existing scenery
17 typically in three classes, Class A being highest
18 quality, distant mountain views, undisturbed. B would
19 be undisturbed foothills, and Class C is the more flat
20 terrain. Our project area has mostly Class C scenic
21 quality, but along the drainages, Deadman Wash, those
22 areas could be classified as B categories.

23 The sensitive viewers, as I mentioned, were
24 along I-17, the residential areas east of I-17, and the
25 transportation corridors, and that's where we have

1 focused our KOPs. We are going to compare the current
2 location to the additional facilities.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: So, Mr. Turner, just quickly, the
4 distance between KOP 1 and the towers that we see in the
5 distance, the line, how far is that?

6 MR. TURNER: So we are looking at Figure E-1.
7 And so KOP 1 is -- you can see the right-of-way fence in
8 the photograph. That is from State Route 74 and I-17.
9 The proposed -- or excuse me. This is looking at the
10 existing facility so that the red line is where we are
11 looking at, and it is a mile away in this image. So the
12 bottom image is what you would see with your eye. We
13 have enhanced a small portion of it. This yellow box is
14 what gets enhanced, and the line is there. It is still
15 hard to see, but it is a mile away.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: And when you say enhanced, you
17 referred previously to it being like through binoculars.
18 So it is being -- actually you are getting a -- you are
19 seeing it not as you would with the naked eye, but as
20 though it was magnified, is that correct?

21 MR. TURNER: Correct, just a small
22 magnification. Personally for me, if you look at the
23 bottom you can see right-of-way fence. And then you
24 look at the top view, and you can see the fence there.
25 You can see it is larger. It is not a high powered

1 magnification by any means.

2 So this KOP 1, this is Figure E-1, it is the
3 existing conditions. We are looking a mile into the
4 project area.

5 The next simulation is the proposed line. And
6 now from the KOP location, if I am looking at the subset
7 map on the right, you can see the KOP location. We are
8 now looking at the black line a half mile south of us
9 instead of a mile south to the red line.

10 The bottom image is the panoramic shot that was
11 taken out in the field and we have superimposed on the
12 proposed conditions in there. So if you are trying to
13 see what you would see from a half mile away, it would
14 be closer to what you are looking at on the bottom.

15 The top image, the pole that is lit up with the
16 cursor is the turning structure right there. That would
17 be where the black line bends to the west. So all the
18 poles to the right of that are going west. The poles to
19 the left of that are heading south.

20 Now we are at KOP 2. This location, again
21 looking at the smaller inset map on the right, it is
22 from the Dove Valley Road alignment. We have basically
23 walked out to the edge of the pavement and taken the
24 photograph. This is of the existing condition, so we
25 are looking at the red line pretty close to where the

1 green Avery substation will be.

2 So the bottom image, the power line, if you can
3 see the poles in there, they are a half mile away. And
4 again, we have slightly magnified that so you can just
5 see them on the top image.

6 So now we are going to look at Figure E-4, and
7 this is a simulation of the Avery substation. Again, we
8 are at the KOP 2 location at the Dove Valley Road
9 alignment looking west to slightly southwest.

10 The bottom image again shows the simulation as
11 your eye would see it out there. But we have taken a
12 small portion of it and enhanced it so that you can see
13 the substation features and the poles in a little more
14 detail. The poles that have been simulated were the
15 conditions that Mr. Duncan talked about, the 150 to 165
16 foot high poles, and comparable to what is existing out
17 there today.

18 BY MS. BENALLY:

19 Q. Mr. Tuner, you mentioned this is from the Dove
20 Valley Road alignment. Would you say it is I-17 and
21 Dove Valley Road? Is that the --

22 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. Sorry. Thank you.

23 All right. I will move on to the next. This is
24 Figure E-5 in your binder if you are looking there,
25 KOP 3. Again, this is the existing conditions. In this

1 particular case we are along State Route 74 at 51st
2 Avenue, and we are looking to the southeast into the
3 existing facility.

4 We are looking at the red line. So in the
5 bottom image, anything you would see would be a mile
6 away. It would be very hard. I can't see it in this
7 image. The poles that you do see in the bottom image
8 are the 69kV poles that are running along 51st Avenue.

9 BY MS. BENALLY:

10 Q. Mr. Turner, you indicated you are looking into
11 the existing facility. Would you describe what you mean
12 by existing facility?

13 A. (BY MR. TURNER) The existing transmission line.

14 Q. Okay, thank you.

15 A. (BY MR. TURNER) So now we are going to look at
16 the same view, the same photograph. And in this case,
17 we have simulated the transmission line. The
18 transmission line now, the features that you are seeing
19 are associated with the black line on the map and are
20 half a mile south of SR-74, the Carefree Highway. The
21 bottom image would show you what you would see at a half
22 mile away. Your eye can probably pick out some poles.
23 We have enhanced, again, so you can see it up top.

24 And I would just like to mention that everything
25 in the foreground here is slated for commercial

1 development, development by the City of Phoenix. And
2 51st Avenue is one of their main entrances into this
3 large parcel of land that they envision developing. And
4 so these would be higher prices, other commercial
5 properties heading in there, and will be developed.

6 So now I am also at the same location. The
7 KOP 4 is also from State Route 74 and the 51st Avenue
8 alignment, but instead of looking southeast, we are
9 looking southwest. And in this image, the existing
10 transmission line is a mile away. Again, it is kind of
11 hard to see in the bottom image and still hard to see in
12 the top image, but it is a mile away from State
13 Route 74.

14 The simulated condition in this case, this is
15 one of the previous sub -- when we initially started
16 looking at this project, if you notice on the sub inset
17 map here, it is that rectangular shape for the pink box.
18 And at this time, when we were analyzing it, we thought
19 the substation would be just south of the line in the
20 southwest corner of the pink box. And so that's what we
21 are going to simulate in this condition.

22 At this location, again, the power line, the
23 relocated power line is a half mile south of us. And it
24 is hard to see, unfortunately, due to the chollas that
25 are here that are six to eight feet tall, but the

1 substation was modeled in here. You can see just the
2 tips of some of the A-frame structures in there. And
3 again, in this simulation it was south of the
4 transmission line. I will have another simulation where
5 we will show it in the current configuration.

6 And I am assuming that's probably what you would
7 probably like me to cut to at this point?

8 Q. Mr. Turner, so you have another exhibit that you
9 prepared that is marked APS-23, is that correct?

10 A. (BY MR. TURNER) It is correct, yes.

11 Q. Okay. And can you talk a little bit about how
12 you ended up adding this additional simulation to the
13 ones that we included, that APS included in their
14 original filing?

15 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I apologize. I was looking
16 down at my screen to pull up something. Can you
17 rephrase that question?

18 Q. Sure. Thank you.

19 Would you explain to the Committee the
20 additional Exhibit APS-23, which is KOP 4. And you are
21 looking at the -- pardon me -- southwest from SR-74 just
22 east of 51st Avenue towards the proposed TS-22
23 substation.

24 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

25 Q. Describe how you decided to add this additional

1 simulation.

2 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. APS came to us recently
3 mentioning that they have had further discussions with
4 State Land that may have refined or altered the location
5 of that proposed substation. And they asked us to model
6 this location as well. So what we have done is we have
7 simulated based off the CAD files that were provided to
8 us.

9 If I could get the AV team to switch to my
10 computer I will pull that image up.

11 And so -- boy, that's a big hand. Well, I guess
12 the hand would help for the people on video.

13 So in this I have been showing the subset map as
14 the rectangle. We did update it for this one. It does
15 show the little blue parcel outlined within the pink
16 box. And that's what we have modeled. And so -- let me
17 pull it down just a little bit.

18 The substation in this modeling is north of the
19 power line. So the black line is the proposed
20 alignment. It is modeled in this image, and in this
21 case the substation is in the north and west corner of
22 the pink substation siting area. It comes within 500
23 feet of our location here. So obviously the features
24 are a little bit more prominent in that view.

25 In general our conclusions are that it is

1 minimal impacts. I will get into more detail.

2 Obviously this location from a scenic quality would have
3 the most -- closest project components.

4 MS. BENALLY: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Turner.

5 So I believe at this point, Mr. Chair, what we
6 would like to propose is going through the virtual
7 project tour again. Mr. Turner walked through it
8 earlier with Mr. Derstine. If you are amenable to that,
9 that's what we would like to do just to kind of look at
10 it from a virtual tour perspective.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure, just to play it through
12 without stopping.

13 MS. BENALLY: That's fine.

14 MR. TURNER: If the Committee would like, I
15 would start the simulated version starting halfway
16 through.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay, fine.

18 MR. TURNER: It will take me just a second.

19 Could you put it back onto my computer, please.
20 I am trying to find the starting point for the -- it is
21 very hard to grab this with a big cursor hand. Oh, I
22 did it. Good.

23 All right. So I am at the location that we are
24 going to show the simulation. The road in the bottom is
25 the Loop 303. This is the Avery substation. And off in

1 the distance back here, we will get over to the end, is
2 the TS-22 substation. I will be happy to pause it on
3 the way. I will just do very little narrative.

4 Again, everything is Biscuit Flats, all Arizona
5 state land, undeveloped. TSMC's property that they
6 purchased recently is down here. They have started
7 construction. Loop 303 is on the bottom on the left
8 side of the image.

9 If you are curious what this little brown spot
10 is, it is a former cattle pond. There are three on the
11 property.

12 This is the Avery substation simulation from Key
13 Observation Point No. 2, located at Dove Valley Road and
14 I-17. It is a 64 acre substation.

15 Again, this is where the existing facility goes
16 out, the Dove Valley Road. That's the alignment, not a
17 road actually. As you see, we are going a half mile
18 further north to the half section line, Dove Valley Road
19 being on the section line and State Route 74 the other
20 section. Again, this is where the line is the closest
21 to State Route 74. It would be a half mile from the
22 viewers at I-17 and State Route 74.

23 We are moving to the west now along the proposed
24 alignment. The green denotes those new poles. Any
25 light color here could either be a small drainage or a

1 wildcat road. The tan area on the ground that's coming
2 into view is the TS-22 siting area, roughly 475 acres.
3 That is split by 51st Avenue.

4 We are going to do another simulation from here.
5 This would be Key Observation Point No. 3. Again, this
6 is looking at the proposed transmission lines which
7 would be a half mile away. This is the configuration of
8 the TS-22, the most current configuration with that
9 little triangle point that comes out. The closest point
10 in this image would be 500 feet away. You can see
11 drainage, how close Deadman Wash comes to that parcel.

12 This is where the line turns slightly to the
13 southwest for several poles, and then ties back into the
14 existing facility very close to Deadman Wash. The road
15 you see on the right -- we are now looking east. The
16 road on the right is Loop 303 heading towards
17 Interstate 17.

18 And then this is a view from the far west part
19 of the project looking back east. And I just point out,
20 again, this dirt road that you see here is the
21 maintenance road for the existing transmission line, and
22 we are proposing to move it a half mile north to the
23 half section line and then tying it back in. Again, as
24 we said, this relocation is approximately three and a
25 half miles.

1 And I think, unless someone has a question, that
2 since we have gone through this before I don't know what
3 else to say on it.

4 Q. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Turner.

5 With that, what are your conclusions regarding
6 visual impacts associated with the project changes?

7 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. I think I need my other
8 slide. The proposed route is expected to create minimal
9 contrast when compared to the existing transmission
10 line. As I mentioned, viewers along Interstate 17, the
11 facility is not getting any closer to them, other than
12 the fact that 17 has a little bit of a curve. It is
13 slightly to the northwest; it is a little closer at this
14 location. We have moved the line a half mile closer to
15 State Route 74. So those are the essential sensitive
16 viewers that would have -- could, if they are looking to
17 the south into the property, see that the transmission
18 line has moved from a mile away to a half mile away.

19 The residents located on the east side of I-17,
20 their views of the power line and substation are -- will
21 not be visible due to the raised profile of I-17, as
22 well as the commercial development that already exists
23 within the facility, exists just east of I-17.

24 And the TS-22 substation will be a large
25 feature, and fairly close to State Route 74. We have

1 mentioned 74 is also called the Carefree Highway. It is
2 a scenic highway. The City of Phoenix restricts land
3 use and development within 200 feet of that line.
4 Everything that we have proposed is outside of that
5 area.

6 So initially if TS-22 is constructed, without
7 other development in that area, it would be fairly
8 visible from State Route 74. But everything in this
9 area is slated for commercial development and near one
10 of the entryways into this large area that State Land
11 and the City of Phoenix are proposing for commercial
12 development.

13 MEMBER HAMWAY: Mr. Chairman, I have a question.

14 So is flooding an issue out here? I just
15 remember a couple years ago along I-17 and New River
16 there was just the massive flooding. And I just don't
17 know if this is where that is or if this is part of a
18 floodplain. I know you talked about washes and that
19 sort of thing. But is flooding an issue here?

20 MR. TURNER: So you are asking about New River.
21 It is on your map. It is this drainage here on the
22 western edge of the map. I know with the current rain
23 there was flooding out there. I saw a nice clip of that
24 flooding occurring just after this last storm.

25 To be more specific on your question, there are

1 only two designated floodplains within the study limits.
2 They are associated with Deadman Wash, which is not just
3 one single drainage. It has branches that are sort of
4 like fingers that expand out. And each of those has a
5 designated 100-year floodplain associated with it.

6 MEMBER HAMWAY: Okay, thank you.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland.

8 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

9 The TS-22 substation site will be leased from
10 State Land, is that correct?

11 MR. TURNER: That is my understanding, yes.

12 MEMBER NOLAND: So would the scenic route
13 conditions apply to that land since it is the land of a
14 state agency?

15 MR. TURNER: So I think your question is around
16 scenic highway restrictions. In reviewing the City of
17 Phoenix's document on that, they call out a 200-foot
18 limit in the residential areas of what could be
19 developed in that area and 100 feet within the
20 commercial areas. So all of this is going to be
21 commercial development. They are only going to restrict
22 within 100 feet of the highway.

23 MEMBER NOLAND: I guess my point is I don't
24 think they have authority over the Arizona State Land
25 Department as far as zoning and other requirements.

1 MR. TURNER: I wouldn't think so, City of
2 Phoenix, in that regard from a scenic highway
3 standpoint.

4 MEMBER NOLAND: Yeah. Thank you.

5 BY MS. BENALLY:

6 Q. Do you have anything further on visual impacts?

7 A. (BY MR. TURNER) One second, please.

8 Mr. Spitzkoff was wanting me to clarify. The
9 City of Phoenix is the one that's zoning this land, and
10 he is correct in that regard. So they would have a say
11 on how that zoning plays out with the State Land.
12 Together the State Land and the City of Phoenix are
13 developing their zoning and planning.

14 MEMBER NOLAND: I wasn't talking about that. I
15 was talking about the substation site. But it is
16 outside of their limits anyway, so it makes no
17 difference.

18 MR. TURNER: Okay. Thank you.

19 Ms. Benally, I apologize, I didn't hear your
20 last question.

21 BY MS. BENALLY:

22 Q. That's quite all right. I believe you wrapped
23 your up visual resources and are ready now to move to
24 cultural resources on your topic.

25 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That's correct.

1 Q. Talking about cultural resources, would you just
2 describe what your inventory and findings were regarding
3 cultural resources.

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. We actually know a fair
5 bit about the study area. More than 95 percent of the
6 study area has already been surveyed. Only one historic
7 complex, corral complex, within the -- I am trying to
8 get my cursor here to move.

9 So we are looking at impacts within the
10 right-of-way and within the substation siting areas.
11 More than 95 percent of that area has been previously
12 surveyed. One historic corral area right where the
13 cursor is in the pink area is currently being analyzed
14 by State Land and the State Historic Preservation Office
15 to determine if it should be eligible to include in the
16 Arizona Registry of Historic Places. It is associated
17 with the cattle drive driveway mentioned, and they are
18 still trying to determine that eligibility. At this
19 time it is not a formal site, but that will have to play
20 out as the easement and grants are approved.

21 CHMN. CHENAL: So anything over 50 years is --
22 50 years or older is considered historic, is that true?

23 MR. TURNER: That's true.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Oh, please, please. Please. All
25 right. Well, we have an historic Committee here.

1 MEMBER HAMWAY: Well, not everyone.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Not everyone, no, not everybody.

3 Well, that begs the question then. What if it
4 is determined to be historic? What effect would that
5 have on placement of the substation site?

6 MR. TURNER: Sure. You would have to work
7 through that element. Sometimes you would avoid the
8 site. Other times you would, if you couldn't avoid the
9 site, you would document the conditions of that site.

10 In this case we are talking about an aboveground
11 historic corral as opposed to prehistoric artifacts. So
12 you would do your, we call it, data recovery. You would
13 photograph the area, document it, put it in context of
14 why it is significant historically, and then you would
15 be able to construct in that location. You would be
16 able to abandon that facility.

17 This is state land, so they have a say. And
18 SHPO, State Historic Preservation Office, would have a
19 say. If this turned out to be a significant find, then
20 they would obviously want to avoid it. Those types of
21 decisions play out during the grant process, and have to
22 develop an agreement of how to address that resource.

23 CHMN. CHENAL: I am assuming that there are
24 degrees of importance of historic sites that -- where it
25 is. I mean yes, this is a corral, okay. But it is not

1 a prehistoric, you know, Anasazi, you know, living site,
2 where I would imagine that that may delay or prohibit
3 development, where something of a lesser historic
4 significance like corrals, like you said, would just be
5 documented and one could construct.

6 MR. TURNER: Correct. Our archeologist,
7 Dr. Gene Rogee, didn't think that this was a major issue
8 by any means. But it does lend itself to look at why we
9 would need a larger siting area for this type of
10 potential issues.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: And does SHPO kind of have the
12 ultimate say on --

13 MR. TURNER: SHPO, yes, State Historic
14 Preservation Office.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Thanks.

16 BY MS. BENALLY:

17 Q. And Mr. Turner, if there were any mitigation or
18 requirements put forth either by ASLD or SHPO, APS would
19 comply with those requirements, is that correct?

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) That is correct. You know,
21 they would have to follow the Case 131 and 120; that's
22 the language that was in there as well. That's how that
23 plays out, the process.

24 Q. Okay. I believe now we are on to your next
25 topic, which is your final in your environmental

1 assessment, regarding recreational resources. Describe
2 to the Committee the inventory and findings in that area
3 regarding recreational resources.

4 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes. I started to talk about
5 this on another slide. This is the same map we use for
6 the land use. It is Figure A-3. And these are from the
7 2015 City of Phoenix general plan. The trails are
8 called out. It may be easier in your handouts.

9 There are trails along State Route 74. East of
10 17 there is Skunk Creek and several planned trails.
11 Along Deadman Wash and in the residential areas that are
12 proposed there are several trails.

13 And I also mentioned along Dove Valley Road and
14 cutting across southwest down to Loop 303 is how the
15 City of Phoenix has envisioned possibly developing
16 recreational trails within the study limits, well, in
17 fact, their region. These are not physically in the
18 ground.

19 The only trail, if you looked at Google Earth,
20 the only trail you would see would be up here, Black
21 Canyon trail. You will have these other -- others are
22 lines on a map that will, as the infrastructure is
23 developed, the trails will then be planned more
24 precisely.

25 The proposed route would not conflict with any

1 of the existing or the planned facilities.

2 I did mention down here was a trail that looks
3 like it is cutting across the Avery boundary. That
4 trail is the end roadway infrastructure, obviously would
5 be redefined if they decide that trail is needed.

6 The proposed route itself is not being developed
7 as a trail with the City of Phoenix at this time. I
8 just wanted to call that out as well.

9 Q. Okay. Do you have any particular conclusion you
10 would like to share with the Committee regarding
11 recreational resources, or have you covered all the
12 material?

13 A. (BY MR. TURNER) I believe I have covered all
14 the material. We don't feel that there is any impacts
15 to recreational facilities.

16 Q. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Turner.

17 And that's also found in the APS's supplement to
18 the application under Exhibit F as part of your
19 environmental assessment, is that correct?

20 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Yes.

21 MS. BENALLY: Okay, thank you.

22 Mr. Chairman, that concludes the environmental
23 witness's testimony up to this point.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Thank you very much.

25 I was correlating with the slides on my iPad,

1 and I didn't know if you completed the one that was
2 environmental compatibility with all the conclusions. I
3 think you did. But then there were some materials after
4 that. And I was, I think --

5 MR. DERSTINE: I think we have a series of final
6 slides from each panel member that were going to be a
7 part of this conclusion section.

8 CHMN. CHENAL: Right, right. Okay.

9

10 DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED

11 BY MR. DERSTINE:

12 Q. And maybe before we do that, Mr. Spitzkoff, I
13 know we were working on answering questions on why is
14 undergrounding so expensive and how expensive is it. I
15 don't know if we have those answers yet.

16 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) So far I only have partial
17 answers. I can go through why undergrounding lines is
18 more expensive than overhead, but I don't have the
19 specific numbers. I believe the Chairman asked for,
20 what, like a mile of underground costs compared to mile
21 of overhead. But if you want, I can talk about the
22 difference and, you know, why an underground line is
23 more expensive than an overhead.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure, I would like to hear that.

25 MR. DERSTINE: Yeah.

1 MR. SPITZKOFF: Okay. So when you are
2 constructing an overhead line, your general costs are
3 going to be the towers themselves, the conductors, all
4 of the equipment used to attach the conductors and
5 towers, and then the right-of-way or easements that you
6 need.

7 For underground lines, you still have the
8 right-of-way and easement costs that you would for
9 overhead. But you will have the cost for the
10 underground cable. And underground cable is more
11 expensive than overhead conductor. It is different
12 types of wire. It is not the same wire. You know, we
13 just don't take an overhead conductor and put it
14 underground. It is a different cable.

15 So that in and of itself is more expensive. You
16 actually have to use more. You basically have to double
17 the number of circuits to get the same capacity in the
18 facilities.

19 Then you also have --

20 CHMN. CHENAL: What do you mean by that? There
21 is -- what do you mean by that?

22 MR. SPITZKOFF: Certainly. So with an overhead
23 line, what you will generally see is three conductors
24 per circuit. And that's because transmission is, it is
25 a three-phase power system. So that's, you know,

1 generally, you know, what you will see and have seen in
2 pictures.

3 And I mentioned earlier our standard
4 construction for quite some time, our overhead lines are
5 capable of 3,000 amp of rating for those facilities.
6 And if I use -- if I stick with the 230kV facilities,
7 that equates to about 1200 megawatts. Generally
8 megawatts are easier to reference for like a value.

9 So now with underground lines, in order to get
10 that same 3,000 amp capacity or 1200 megawatt capacity,
11 you would typically use, end up with six underground
12 conductors. So it is -- you double circuit basically
13 the lines going from A to B. So you are doubling the
14 amount of cable as opposed to overhead conductor.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: And why is that necessary?

16 MR. SPITZKOFF: It is the physical parameters of
17 the material. And with underground lines, the biggest
18 factor in their rating -- well, there are two main
19 factors, the conductor, the cable itself, but also its
20 ability to dissipate the heat that's generated. So you
21 can only send so much current through underground cables
22 and generate, you know, proper on the heat. And so what
23 you do, you have two circuits that split that amount of
24 power.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. So the reason for the

1 additional numbers of circuits is more related to heat,
2 generation of heat than loss of energy along the line?

3 MR. SPITZKOFF: Well, the creation of heat is
4 loss of energy. So underground lines will create more
5 heat and you are losing energy. Heat is energy. And
6 you could only heat it to so much before it, you know,
7 it will just melt down. So the thermal capability of
8 the underground cables themselves, plus the heat and the
9 dissipation of that heat all factors in.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. I understand that. And I
11 think I could give Mr. Derstine some tutoring on the
12 side when we take your class on electrical engineering.

13 MR. DERSTINE: I could use it, I tell you.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay.

15 MR. SPITZKOFF: So some of the other factors,
16 and, you know, biggest cost adders is the trenching that
17 you have to do, you know, digging the hole in the ground
18 to put the cables. And the depth of the cables will
19 vary depending upon the soil conditions and other
20 elements that are going on around the line.

21 If you are in an urban environment, typically
22 you are going to have to deal with other underground
23 conflicts, gas lines, water lines, sewer lines, and
24 things like that. And you have to maintain a certain
25 distance because, again, they all interact with each

1 other. We don't want to put an underground line close
2 to, say, a sewer line, and the heat that's created by
3 our line starts interfering with the operations of one
4 of the other facilities. And then it would also degrade
5 the performance of our cables. So you have the
6 trenching costs.

7 Then you have the conduit that the cables are
8 put in. So they are put into a conduit. And then those
9 conduits are encased in concrete to protect those
10 conduits. And then from the concrete up to the existing
11 grade will generally fill that with what is called a
12 fluidized thermal backfill material. It is a
13 specialized material that enhances the heat dissipation
14 capabilities. Generally it is going to be better than
15 just typical dirt or typical earth.

16 So all of those, all of those factors put
17 together is where you will get the enhanced cost of
18 putting lines underground.

19 CHMN. CHENAL: Is there -- let me just ask a
20 follow-up question. Is there a rule of thumb on the
21 cost of a mile of, let's say, a 230kV line?

22 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes, there is. And the last one
23 I remember is from a number of years ago. So it is
24 going to be outdated. Costs have steadily risen over
25 the last couple years, especially, you know, I am going

1 to -- that's some of the numbers we are trying to nail
2 down for you. I would say you are probably about
3 3 million to \$5 million a mile, in that neighborhood,
4 for overhead.

5 CHMN. CHENAL: It is appreciably more for a
6 500kV line?

7 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes.

8 CHMN. CHENAL: Maybe you can give us those
9 numbers, too, when you have a chance.

10 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yes.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Member Noland has a question.

12 MEMBER NOLAND: You didn't give us the depth
13 that you normally trench. Could you do that? I know
14 you said there is a difference if it is urban or not.
15 Can you give us those depths just in general?

16 MR. SPITZKOFF: Yeah. And it is going to depend
17 on the overall environment that it is in. One of the
18 other things with the trenching cost -- I will address
19 your question more specifically in a second or I am
20 going to forget this point.

21 Again, so the trenching cost is significant for
22 all underground projects. But it increases
23 exponentially depending on what you are digging in.
24 There are some areas around this state where it is
25 extremely hard rock. And so even the trenching costs,

1 which is a large component, then just ramps up even more
2 when you are in areas like that.

3 So the depth, again, depending on what is in the
4 area, it could range from six feet to -- or maybe I will
5 start at three feet, to nine feet. And we have probably
6 had some scenarios where we have had to go under that.
7 If you are trying to cross, like go in a road and you
8 are crossing another, another road that might have sewer
9 or water or another line already in it, then you are
10 going to have to dive a lot further down to keep a
11 proper separation.

12 MEMBER NOLAND: Thank you.

13 BY MR. DERSTINE:

14 Q. Just for my curiosity, how do you -- what about
15 maintenance and dealing with outages on an underground
16 line?

17 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Yeah. So maintenance,
18 generally for underground lines you are not going to do
19 much maintenance. We are not going to dig them up and,
20 you know, inspect them and put them back. So general
21 maintenance, you know, they are just going to be there.

22 What really becomes burdensome is when there is
23 a fault on the underground lines. Then you have got to
24 find the fault. You have got to dig it up. You have
25 got to replace it. You have got to, you know, replace

1 all of that. That takes a significant amount longer
2 time than overhead lines, where you can visually see
3 where the problem is. And it is a lot quicker and
4 easier fix than an underground line, where, you know,
5 again, if you are in an urban environment, you are
6 shutting down streets, you know, where you might have
7 restrictions on times when you can do that.

8 Q. All right. I think each one of our panel
9 members at this point has a slide in which they will use
10 to kind of do their summary and their conclusions on the
11 various areas in which they have directed their
12 testimony.

13 Mr. Spitzkoff, I think you are going to start
14 out with your summary on purpose and need?

15 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) Yes. So to summarize for
16 the purpose and need perspective, the project we have
17 brought forth before you meets the purpose and needs.
18 The relocation of this segment of the line allows TSMC
19 to build out their facilities. The expansion of the
20 Avery substation allows for the 230kV service into the
21 TSMC property.

22 It also will allow us to maintain the future
23 ability to serve load growth in this area. And the
24 addition of the TS-22 substation will allow for the
25 service of the future phases of TSMC and future

1 development of the larger Biscuit Flats area. And the
2 500kV component of the TS-22 substation will allow us to
3 support the 230 system that's in this area that will
4 maintain overall system reliability as, off of this
5 additional load, TSMC plus future loads beyond them are
6 added.

7 Q. All right. Any final comments on the topics in
8 which you have covered over the past two days?

9 A. (BY MR. SPITZKOFF) No, no more comments.

10 Q. All right. Mr. Duncan, you spoke to a number of
11 things, but I think we wanted to -- your slide and your
12 wrap-up issues were directed to the corridor and the
13 route. So why don't you present those to the Committee.

14 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) I would be glad to.

15 So the proposed route, as has been described
16 over the past couple days, meets current and future
17 development needs for the area. As we have
18 demonstrated, the proposed corridor provides the needed
19 flexibility for design and construction in conjunction
20 with our work with our stakeholders. The proposed route
21 is 100 percent on Arizona state trust land, who has
22 stated support and preference for our proposed route.

23 Q. All right. Now, off camera, you and I were just
24 working on developing a modified corridor description in
25 line with the discussions that we have had with the

1 Committee here this afternoon. And I think our plan is
2 to present the Committee with two alternative corridor
3 descriptions, one, the corridor description shown on our
4 Figure 1A, the map on the right-hand side of the screen,
5 but then a modified corridor description.

6 Can you describe the modified corridor. And use
7 your laser pointer about what we are going to present to
8 the Committee as an alternative that they can consider
9 that we are presenting to them that's in response to
10 their comments.

11 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yeah, I certainly can. I am
12 going to try to do this without creating confusion.

13 Q. And we are efforting to create a map that
14 coincides with the description you are about to give.
15 We don't have that ready yet. So do your best to
16 describe it using your laser pointer, then if the AV
17 team can try and follow along so that the members who
18 are appearing virtually can see what we are seeing here
19 in the hearing room.

20 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes, no problem.

21 So let me start on the west side of the
22 corridor, I think will be the easiest part here. The
23 dent between the western edge of the corridor as shown
24 on this map and a point approximately 1,000 feet west of
25 our north-south alignment, we are proposing to revise

1 the bottom end of this, which currently is shown along
2 the Deer Valley alignment to a point 1,000 feet north of
3 the Dove Valley Road alignment, which is approximately
4 in this area through here. So that would extend, again,
5 from the western edge to a point 1,000 feet west of the
6 north south alignment. I will explain why that is the
7 case in just a moment.

8 So the other revision would be to extend between
9 the western edge of this corridor as shown and the point
10 where the pointy part here, the eastern side of that
11 edge, so between here and that point that's in alignment
12 with that edge, this corridor would be widened to be in
13 alignment with the tip of this pink area so that this
14 portion of the substation siting area is included within
15 the corridor.

16 From this point that I just described where the
17 line is in alignment with the east side of this point,
18 the corridor would follow the northern edge of our
19 straight part here of the substation siting area to this
20 point, which is in alignment with the current eastern
21 edge of our corridor. This would result in a corridor,
22 again, with the narrowing plus the widening, the point
23 between the western edge and this straight north and up
24 and down area would be 4,000 feet wide. The portion
25 between this area, the straight north-south part of the

1 substation siting area, and this eastern edge would be
2 2800 feet wide.

3 Now, the reason the southern portion of the
4 corridor stopped 1,000 feet west of the north-south
5 alignment shown in black is because if we narrowed the
6 corridor all the way across we would have a portion of
7 our proposed route that would not be in the corridor.
8 So the corridor description is amended to include a
9 2,000 foot wide north-south corridor along the center on
10 the north-south segment.

11 What is currently shown on the east side of that
12 alignment is 1,000 feet. So you can imagine that same
13 distance here on the west side. So the bottom would be
14 moved up to a point 1,000 feet north of the Dove Valley
15 alignment except where there is that 2,000-foot
16 north-south segment.

17 And now that I have confused the hell out of
18 everybody...

19 Q. It will be certainly easier to see once we have
20 a map of it. And I can assume we can have that ready
21 for tomorrow when we start the hearing?

22 A. (BY MR. DUNCAN) Yes.

23 Q. All right.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: I think I see it.

25 MEMBER NOLAND: Yeah.

1 MEMBER PALMER: Makes sense.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: I think I see it. And I think
3 some other Committee members see it.

4 Member Noland, do you have --

5 MEMBER NOLAND: That's exactly what I wanted to
6 see. I just want to know if the pointy part is a term
7 of art.

8 MR. DUNCAN: I have been officially using the
9 pointy part, so yes.

10 MR. DERSTINE: It is now.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Sounds like something I would
12 say. That's the scary thing.

13 Yeah, that, I think obviously it would be
14 helpful to have a map of that, but that's the
15 alternative that you should be recommending to us versus
16 kind of the way you were going to do it before, which
17 would have a corridor outline plus a siting area for the
18 TS-22 substation. So I mean I like the -- I like what I
19 just heard. And I like the simplicity of it.

20 You know, I know it is hard to describe it
21 dealing with a lot of different lines on the map. But I
22 think that would -- I think that's a very good --
23 something to offer us to consider. And I will bet you
24 that that's the one we go with, but that's just me
25 speaking, and maybe not.

1 Member Palmer.

2 MEMBER PALMER: Mr. Chairman, to me that makes
3 sense, and it is much easier to describe as we begin to
4 put points or metes and bounds, whatever we are doing.
5 I think it is a much easier way to put in a document
6 that people can understand.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: I mean I looked for about two
8 minutes at the description in the recommended ROO, you
9 know, for, I guess maybe it was, a substation. I mean
10 it was basically a legal description, and it was
11 terrifying.

12 MEMBER HAMWAY: That's your industry,
13 Mr. Chairman.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: It is terrifying. I mean, you
15 know.

16 MR. DERSTINE: When you see this one on paper it
17 may be just as scary. But we will see where it goes.

18 MR. DUNCAN: All right. I am afraid,
19 Mr. Chairman, I wrote that description, and the
20 description I just finished writing is worse.

21 CHMN. CHENAL: Good. But at least we will have
22 a map that will explain it and make sense of it. So I
23 think that's a good, good development. I think it is
24 very good. And I have to say I think it started with
25 Member Noland's suggestion about moving the corridor to

1 the north. And since she said that, I kind of liked it.

2 There is no issue with notice, is there,
3 Mr. Derstine? I know you and I kind of chatted off line
4 just for a moment about the concept of moving the
5 corridor north. And I don't want there to be any issues
6 with the notice from the application, the supplement,
7 notice of hearings and all the notices that went out. I
8 don't see any. I think we are good, but I just --

9 MR. DERSTINE: I think, given that all of this
10 is on ASLD, one landowner, no other disparate landowners
11 are being affected. The real standard is substantial
12 change. We represented a 3,000-foot corridor; the
13 corridor now is narrowing in spots. It is expanding in
14 certain areas to cover the new shape of the siting area
15 that's being driven by discussions with the sole
16 landowner.

17 But I don't think there is a notice issue with
18 this change. And if the Committee decides to grant
19 this, the corridor as Mr. Duncan has described, I think
20 that's appropriate. I don't think it violates any sort
21 of notice provisions.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: And just to add that just so we
23 have a record of it, the corridor is being expanded not
24 for the line but for the substation. The line is going
25 to stay within the original corridor as noticed and as

1 set forth in the application and the supplement. The
2 only reason to expand the corridor is to encompass the
3 area for the siting area for TS-22. That was never, as
4 I understand it was never explicitly set forth, the
5 location of it, in the application or the supplement.
6 It was generally described to be with a certain area,
7 but I don't think it was pinpointed exactly, a corridor
8 or a siting area, within which it would be located.

9 So I don't think by expanding the corridor to
10 now include -- basically to have the corridor supplant
11 the siting area and just become the corridor for both to
12 be located, that it does violence to any noticing that
13 we have done. In other words, I don't think anyone is
14 going to be surprised by the placement of the substation
15 within the corridor if we go, that larger corridor, if
16 we go with that route.

17 And as you say, Mr. Derstine there is no --
18 doesn't seem like there is any material or substantial
19 change to what was noticed to the public.

20 MR. DERSTINE: Right. And I think the other
21 piece of that analysis is really was there environmental
22 study work, are there biological impacts of this new
23 area, the new pointy -- to use the item of art -- the
24 new pointy area in pink. Mr. Turner covered that. And
25 what are the new potential visual impacts, I think his

1 new simulation provides that from State Route 74.

2 So from an environmental standpoint, there are
3 no issues from the testimony the Committee has heard
4 this afternoon. And again, from a notice of
5 perspective, I don't think what we are doing in terms of
6 expanding the corridor to cover the substation site does
7 violence to any sort of the notice requirements.

8 CHMN. CHENAL: Finally, to be clear -- just a
9 moment, Mr. Gentles, I will come to you -- to be clear,
10 all of the corridor and all of the siting areas under
11 discussion are still within the land that's owned by one
12 landowner, the Arizona State Land Department. And the
13 area where they are requesting the substation to be
14 sited, that would now be included within the corridor if
15 we go that route, is at their suggestion.

16 MR. DERSTINE: That's right.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay, Member Gentles.

18 MEMBER GENTLES: Mr. Chairman, would we notate
19 the expanded corridor in the CEC?

20 CHMN. CHENAL: Oh, yes. This would be part of
21 the description; it would be the map attached. It would
22 be both the tortured language that Mr. Duncan has
23 prepared for this expanded area as reflected mercifully
24 and a map be attached.

25 MEMBER GENTLES: And so you were talking about

1 violence. I never heard it used that way, but violence
2 to the current, I don't know how you described that, but
3 in terms of notice to the public. So the public
4 basically, the only way they would know if that corridor
5 expanded would be if they read that CEC at this point,
6 if it is included?

7 CHMN. CHENAL: That would be correct. But I
8 think what we were discussing is it would -- expanding
9 the corridor to now include the substation siting area
10 is not really a major change.

11 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Because the siting area was going
13 to be outside of the corridor and was referenced
14 generally in the application in the notice to the
15 public. We are just now kind of merging the two into
16 one.

17 MEMBER GENTLES: Okay.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: That makes sense?

19 MEMBER GENTLES: It does. Thank you.

20 BY MR. DERSTINE:

21 Q. So we touched on the environmental issues.
22 Mr. Turner, you just presented all of your environmental
23 analysis. Why don't you do your summary or your wrap-up
24 of your environmental conclusions.

25 A. (BY MR. TURNER) Sure. The proposed route and

1 substation conform with the applicable management plans
2 by the City of Phoenix that's located on land proposed
3 for commercial land uses in close proximity to the
4 existing facility, and results in minimal impacts to the
5 existing land use, recreation, cultural, and biological
6 resources. We feel it is environmentally compatible.

7 MR. DERSTINE: All right. This is the point in
8 time that I can do a quick closing or we can wrap up for
9 the evening, I can promise to spend five minutes on it
10 in the morning, and then we have our revised map of the
11 new corridor and a recommended opinion and order that
12 contains a legal description of that revised corridor as
13 well as a description of the TS-22 substation site that
14 we can share with the Committee first thing in the
15 morning.

16 CHMN. CHENAL: I am going to suggest that we
17 wait until the morning for your closing comments,
18 Mr. Derstine. I think, maybe even before that tomorrow,
19 I think it is a good time to break, but we could kind of
20 take a look at, you know, the map, the option that we
21 are being presented we just talked about. And just
22 generally your summation, I assume, will include why it
23 will be a little different format, it will be a
24 recommended order and conditions, that will be attached,
25 but just to kind of summarize that for the Committee.

1 And then maybe we look, spend a little time looking at
2 the, you know, the description, the language, and the
3 map just so we have a good understanding before we dive
4 into the deliberations.

5 MR. DERSTINE: Yeah. And I think that's a good
6 time. I think it will be helpful for the Committee for
7 us to have that discussion on the record, have you be
8 able, Committee members be able to ask questions of
9 Mr. Duncan or other panel members about that as they
10 come up so that all is part of the record. And then we
11 can get our various exhibits moved, the admission of
12 exhibits --

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure.

14 MR. DERSTINE: -- deal with that and any other
15 housekeeping issues. I will do a short closing and then
16 you will move on to deliberation, if that's acceptable.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: And the recommended order, which
18 we refer to as the ROO, will basically indicate what the
19 changes would be to the previous orders that were
20 entered.

21 MR. DERSTINE: Yes.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: And we will adopt it as attached
23 and adopt conditions that would now apply to the
24 construction of these facilities that weren't the
25 standard conditions that were being used back when 120

1 and 131 were issued.

2 MR. DERSTINE: That's right. We have -- the
3 conditions that are included in the ROO as an exhibit
4 are not the old conditions under 131. We have
5 incorporated all of the most recent conditions from the
6 last case that this Committee heard, subject to a few
7 modifications that we don't think are -- those
8 conditions apply or we have tweaked the language. But
9 in general, the conditions are the current conditions of
10 the Committee that will apply to the relocation of the
11 three and a half mile line segment.

12 And then it will have, we can have a red line in
13 paper to hand out to the members of the Committee as
14 well as a paper version of the recommended opinion and
15 order for you to have in your hands and then to see on
16 the screen. And we will kind of walk that through and
17 discuss that before we close the case so that we can
18 answer your questions about that and make sure it is in
19 the form that the Committee would prefer.

20 CHMN. CHENAL: Good.

21 Any questions of the Committee before we adjourn
22 for the evening?

23 MEMBER PALMER: I have one, Mr. Chairman.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure, Member Palmer.

25 MEMBER PALMER: It has nothing to do with this

1 case, but my curiosity has been killing me for two days.

2 In the northwest corner of that map there is a
3 little square that looks like a farm of some sort. Can
4 anyone tell me what that is?

5 MR. TURNER: It's a nursery.

6 MEMBER HAMWAY: Thank you. I was wondering,
7 too.

8 MR. DERSTINE: Well, as the member representing
9 agriculture, it is important that you ask that question.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Touche.

11 Member Grinnell or Member Drago, any final
12 questions?

13 MEMBER DRAGO: No, nothing here, Chairman.
14 Thank you.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Yeah, good. And get better, Len.

16 MEMBER DRAGO: Thank you.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Well, if there is nothing
18 else, then we will see everyone tomorrow at 9:00. And
19 thank you very much. I think this was a very productive
20 day.

21 MR. DERSTINE: Thank you.

22 (The hearing recessed at 4:35 p.m.)

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