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Subject: Arizona Public Service Company's (APS) Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility for the Wildcat and Cyclone 230kV Transmission Line Project (Project)

This is the third and final mailing concerning APS's efforts to determine the locations for new 230kilovolt (kV) transmission lines in Goodyear, Arizona. The 230kV transmission lines are needed to serve two separate but adjacent APS-customer data center projects located northwest of the intersection of West Broadway Road and South Litchfield Road.

BACKGROUND:

APS held a public open house for the Project on June 19, 2019 at the Desert Star Elementary School in Goodyear, Arizona to answer questions and receive comments about the Project. Following the open house, APS reviewed the public comments, completed environmental studies, and refined preliminary 230kV transmission line alternatives. Based on the comments and results of the studies, APS identified a "preferred route" and two alternative 230kV transmission line routes.

APS filed an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC) to the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (Siting Committee) on August 14, 2019. The Application is available for public review on the APS siting website (<u>www.aps.com/siting</u>).

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing for the Project was held before the Siting Committee September 24th through the 26th. The hearing was held at the Comfort Suites Goodyear, located at 15575 West Roosevelt Road in Goodyear, Arizona. Public comment was taken during the hearings.

At the hearing, the Siting Committee heard evidence from APS, APS's environmental consultant, the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) staff, land owners and the general public. After deliberations the Siting Committee voted unanimously to approve APS's preferred line route (see attached map) and issued a CEC for submittal to the ACC for final approval.

At an Open Meeting on November 26, 2019 the ACC reviewed the Siting Committee record and the CEC issued by the Committee. After a short discussion and public comment, the ACC voted unanimously (5 – 0) to grant APS a CEC for the project.

APS thanks everyone for providing feedback and comments throughout the public process. APS values the input received from landowners, stakeholders, and the general public and uses this information when making final decisions on line locations. Although the public process has concluded, we invite you to view all the documentation gathered throughout the siting process on our website (<u>www.aps.com/siting</u>). You may also contact APS by email at <u>GoodyearSouthSiting@apsc.com</u>.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

