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SUBJECT: Final Brief

Dear Commissioners, Administrative Law Judge Wolfe and fellow Intervenors,

With this letter, the Sun City Taxpayers Association (SCTA) would like to reiterate its support of the efforts of both the Arizona Corporation Staff and RUCO for its review, analysis and subsequent rate proposals as they relate to Application for Rate Increase for the water and waste water operations of the Sun City Water Company and the Sun City Sewer Company.

Rate Increase Application

The SCTA asks that the Arizona Corporation Commissioners give serious consideration to the Staff and RUCO recommendations. We believe that the rates proposed by Staff and RUCO were calculated using the appropriate rate setting methodologies and are fair and equitable. We would encourage the Commission to either deny AZ-AM's request, as recommended by both Staff and RUCO, or in the alternative adopt the proposed rates as submitted by Staff and/or RUCO.

Proposed Acquisition Adjustment

The SCTA supports the testimony of Mary Lee Diaz Cortez regarding AZ-AM's proposed acquisition adjustment. We agree that the company has made no showing "that clear, quantifiable, and substantial net benefits have been realized in the affected areas, which would not have been realized had the transaction not occurred."

Sun City Wastewater - Tolleson Improvements

The SCTA is in agreement with ACC Staff Witness Darron W. Carlson and the long standing position of the Commission to allow recovery of costs only after completion of plant and/or improvements and the determination by Staff of net benefit to consumers.

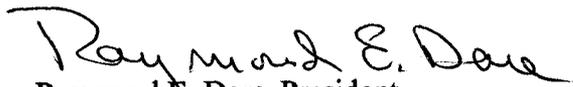
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Please consider this information in your deliberations on the aforementioned docket.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Raymond E. Dare".

Raymond E. Dare, President
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