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17 OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER
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19 **RUCO's Comments on Types of Competitive Solicitations**

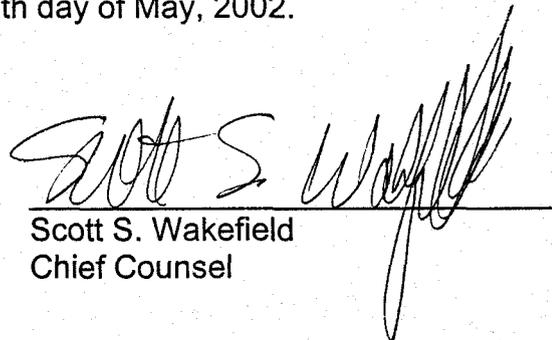
20 In response to Staff's Request for a Procedural Order, the Residential Utility
21 Consumer Office ("RUCO") provides these comments on various types of competitive
22 solicitations.

23 Through its contacts in the National Association of State Utility Consumer
24 Advocates, RUCO has identified several states that have recently undertaken competitive

1 power solicitations. The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities in 2001 approved a
2 simultaneous, multi-round, descending clock auction process to acquire competitive
3 power. The Maine Public Utilities Commission utilized an RFP process. Colorado's rules
4 also require the use of an RFP process to obtain incremental power.
5 RUCO was not involved in any proceedings in those states, and therefore cannot address
6 details about the processes or their results. RUCO recommends that the Commission
7 contact those states' commissions to determine the perceived strengths and weaknesses
8 of their respective processes. Of course, each state's needs and resources may be
9 different, so it is important to explore how such differences might impact results in Arizona.

10 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 20th day of May, 2002.

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