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Kirby Chapman
Manager of Finance and Administration
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Dear Mr. Chapman:

Decision No. 64645 (March 25, 2002) required Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Sulphur Springs) to notify all customers currently on the experimental time-of-use rates of the changes approved by the decision. Sulphur Springs was to submit, within 15 days of the decision, proposed notice language to the Utilities Division Director for review and approval. On March 25, 2002, we received your draft language of the letters to be sent to time-of-use customers. We received revised versions of the letters on April 1, 2002, and April 3, 2002. (Copies of the April 3, 2002, letters are attached.)

This letter constitutes approval of the language of the letters received from you on April 3, 2002. The proposed language is consistent with Decision No. 64645.

If you have any questions, please call Barbara Keene at (602) 542-0853 or me at (602) 542-0745.

Sincerely,

Ernest G. Johnson
Director
Utilities Division

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Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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Dear <Name>

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) has approved revisions in the experimental "time of use" rate that you are being billed under for your electricity usage by Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative. This letter explains the changes and supercedes the letter that we recently sent to you.

As indicated in the following table, the approved tariff modifies the rate slightly from our old rates and increases the number of off-peak hours. It is hoped that increasing the number of off-peak hours will make the rate more attractive to our members. The ACC has also dictated that the new rates remain "experimental" until sufficient information is obtained to determine feasibility.

Rate comparison

<u>Old experimental rate RT</u>	<u>New Experimental rate RT</u>
Service Charge: \$ 17.50	Service Charge: \$ 9.75
On-Peak kWh \$ 0.1405	On-Peak kWh \$ 0.1405
Off-Peak kWh \$ 0.0410	Off-Peak kWh \$ 0.06548
Summer Peak 11:00am-9:00pm Mon - Sat	Summer Peak 2:00pm - 7 pm Mon - Saturday
Winter Peaks 6:00am-11:00am Mon - Sat 5:30pm - 9:00pm Mon - Sat	Winter Peaks 6:30am - 10:00am Mon - Friday 6:00pm - 9:30pm Mon - Friday
All other hours Off-Peak	All other hours are Off-Peak
Sundays and Holidays are all Off-Peak	Winter Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays are Off-Peak
Summer Peak hours begin April 16 until October 15	Winter Peak hours begin October 16 until April 15.
Holidays are New Years Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas	

UNLESS WE HEAR OTHERWISE FROM YOU WE WILL BE CHANGING YOUR METER TO REFLECT THE NEW PEAK AND OFF-PEAK TIMES ON [REDACTED] AND THEN BEGIN BILLING AT THE NEW RATE. If at any time in the future you would like to change from the Experimental Time of Use rate back to the standard rate we will do that for you at no additional charge or penalty. Any further rate changes are subject to a Service Charge as set in the standard tariffs. If you have any questions regarding the new rates or do not want to be on the new time-of-use rate, please call the following SSVEC personnel:

Sierra Vista, Sonoita, Patagonia = Lainie Keltner (515-3440)
Willcox, Benson, Elfrida, Irrigators = Jack Crask (384-5515)
Businesses = David Bane (515-3472)

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<u>Old experimental rate GT</u>	<u>New Experimental rate GT</u>
Service Charge: \$ 22.50	Service Charge: \$ 14.25
On-Peak Demand \$ 8.50 / kVA	On-Peak Demand \$ 13.37 / kW
On-Peak kWh \$ 0.1585	
Off-Peak kWh \$ 0.0450	All kWh usage is at \$0.05968 per kWh used
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