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Arizona Corporation Commission
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Re: Sun City Water Company

W-01656A-98-0577
WS-02334A-98-0577

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Warren Miller, a Conservation Technician retired from the United States Department of Agriculture, Soil and Water Conservation Service, and a long-time resident of Arizona.

I strongly urge you to not approve the construction of the proposed Pipeline Project. The Aqua Fria River Recharge Project was designed in 1998 by a team of experienced Licensed Engineers and Geologists hired by the CAWCD Board to design a project to benefit the aquifer of the same area of the proposed Pipeline.

As an intelligent person to make such an important decision, I urge you to judge all the facts available today.

The AFRRP is now installed and the five monitoring wells indicate tremendous results; the regional ground water level has already raised as much as one foot.

The AFRRP is designed to give tremendous benefits to the aquifer of the Sun Cities, Peoria, and Youngtown wells relatively soon. It will continue to be a benefit to additional areas of the whole N.W. Valley. A computer scenario, approved by the ADWR, reveals the AFRRP to eventually raise the aquifer one foot over an area 5 miles east and west, and 6 miles north and south from the 105 acre Infiltration Basins.

To make your decision, I strongly urge you to compare the valuable results of AFRRP that is already installed and paid for, to the meager benefits of the expensive Proposed Pipeline Project.

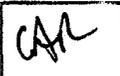
I fail to understand why anyone would not decide to at least wait a year or two for AFRRP to prove the benefits it is designed to do, before considering approval of a Pipeline Project.

It would be well for all involved in this decision making, to heed the warning of DR HERBERT BAUWER, Chief Engineer of the U.S. Water Conservation Laboratory, 4331 E Broadway Rd., Phoenix, AZ. 85040-8832. Phone (602) 437-1702 Ext. 244. DR BAUWER states he would choose to continue the practice of irrigating the Sun City Golf Courses with 4.8 mg/L salt content well water, than risk the probable damages if 6.0 mg/L of salt in the CAP Water was used.

DR. BAUWER is the NATIONS most respected expert in Water Analysis.

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ROBERT WILSON, NRCS/U.S.D.A. Soil Scientist & Geologist
18256 E Williams Field Rd, Higley, AZ (480) 988-1078

"I reviewed well drill logs from the AFRRP Area" and stated " I saw no soil obstruction that would prevent adequate water movement from the Hatfield Rd. Recharge Impound to Sun City wells."

WESLEY HIPKE, Geologist for the State of Arizona
500 N 3rd St., Phoenix, AZ (602) 417-2400. Ext 7256

He states he could not understand why DR HERB SCHUMANN, a licensed Geologist, would give his opinion that water would only travel 4 feet to 4 1/2 feet per year from the Recharge Impound for the 3 1/2 miles to Sun City, when drill logs prove this to be false. Hipke said " DR SCHUMANN must be saying vertical travel, not horizontal travel."

BRAD HILL, Water Supervisor for the City of Peoria
8501 W Monroe St., Peoria, AZ (623) 773-7286

He states "The AFRRP will be a great benefit to the City of Peoria, but will benefit Sun City Wells first".

JOHN F LONG, the most major home builder for many years in the Northwest Valley. "the Aqua Fria River Recharge Project is the greatest thing that has ever happened for the Northwest Valley - it should have been done 20 years ago".

Sincerely,



Warren Miller