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The Honorable Michael Gleason
Chairman
Arizona Corporation Commission
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Ms. Laurie Woodall
Chairman
Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee
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Re: Mohave County Need for Peaking Resources

Dear Chairman Gleason and Chairman Woodall,

An application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility for the Northern Arizona Energy Project (NAEP) is before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (Docket #L-00000FF-07-0134-00133). The NAEP is proposed as four General Electric LM6000 combustion turbine generators to be located adjacent to the existing Griffith Energy Project in Mohave County. Simple cycle projects such as the proposed NAEP are typically constructed and operated to serve peak electric loads.

As the largest load serving entity for Mohave County, UNS Electric wants to communicate to the Commission the forecasted need for additional peaking generation resources in the 2008 to 2012 time period.

Forecasted near term peak load growth in Mohave County for 2008 to 2012 exceeds 6% on average per-year or approximately 32-MW peak. Generation resource alternatives provided by market participants such as Northern Arizona Energy, LLC contribute to the assurance of an adequate future supply of generation resources to meet the growing peak load of Mohave County.

Sincerely,

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