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**BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

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8 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
9 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COM-  
10 PANY AND ITS ASSIGNEES IN CONFORM-  
11 ANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
12 ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES SECTIONS  
13 40-360.03 AND 40-360.06 FOR A CERTIFI-  
14 CATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBIL-  
15 ITY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF A  
500K V ALTERNATING CURRENT TRANS-  
MISSION LINE AND RELATED FACILITIES  
IN MARICOPA AND LA PAZ COUNTIES IN  
ARIZONA ORIGINATING AT THE  
HARQUAHALA SWITCHYARD WEST OF  
PHOENIX, ARIZONA AND TERMINATING  
AT THE DEVERS SUBSTATION IN  
RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

Docket No.  
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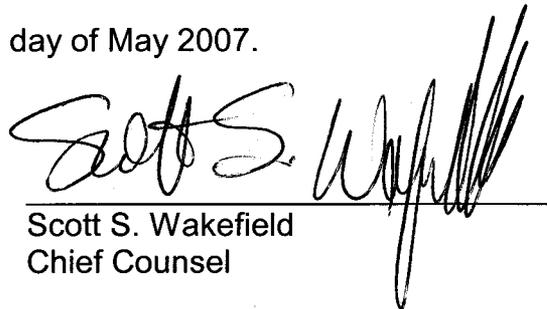
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**RUCO'S BRIEF**

18 As requested in the Arizona Corporation Commission's April 20, 2007 Procedural Order,  
19 the Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO") hereby files its brief in this matter. RUCO  
20 previously filed a brief before the Arizona Power Plant and Line Siting Committee  
21 ("Committee") on this matter, which it attaches hereto and incorporates herein. In that brief,  
22 RUCO took no position either in support of or in opposition to the application, but instead  
23 offered a public policy perspective to assist the Committee. RUCO believes the public policy  
24 perspective it offered is likewise relevant to the Commission's consideration of this matter.

1 A.R.S. § 40-360.07 provides that in arriving at its decision in a siting matter, the  
2 Commission "shall balance, in the broad public interest, the need for an adequate, economical  
3 and reliable supply of electric power with the desire to minimize the effect thereof on the  
4 environment and ecology of this state." As discussed in the attached brief that was filed with  
5 the Committee, this broad balancing should include consideration of retail price impacts and  
6 positive and negative reliability impacts of the proposed line, the impacts of the proposed line  
7 on Arizona's future capacity needs, and the environmental impacts of the proposed line.

8 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2007.

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