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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TRICO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., AN ARIZONA NONPROFIT CORPORATION, FOR A PERMANENT RATE INCREASE, FOR A DETERMINATION OF THE FAIR VALUE OF THE CORPORATION'S ELECTRIC SYSTEM FOR RATE MAKING PURPOSES, FOR A FINDING OF A JUST AND REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN THEREON AND A JUST AND REASONABLE RETURN, AND FOR APPROVAL OF RATE SCHEDULES DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH RETURN.

Docket No. E-01461A-08-0430

**APPLICATION OF  
FREEPORT-MCMORAN  
SIERRITA INC. FOR LEAVE  
TO INTERVENE**

Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-105, Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita Inc. ("Freeport-McMoRan") hereby applies to the Arizona Corporation Commission (the "Commission") for an Order granting Freeport-McMoRan leave to intervene in the above captioned proceeding. As the largest customer and consumer of electricity in Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s ("Trico") service territory, Freeport-McMoRan has a substantial interest in the issues that will be addressed in this proceeding.

Freeport-McMoRan's participation in these proceedings will not broaden the issues nor unduly delay the proceedings, except upon leave of the Commission first had and received.

For the reasons outlined above, Freeport-McMoRan respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Application for Leave To Intervene in this matter.

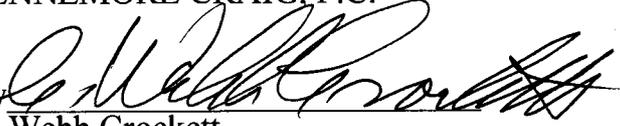
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