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Re: Docket Numbers E-01345A-08-0172 and E-00000J-08-0314

Dear Arizona Corporation Commissioners,

As you are well aware, investing in energy efficiency is an attractive option to purchasing electricity. I am writing to encourage you to choose increasing energy efficiency requirements as part of the APS rate case and as part of the Commission workshops on energy efficiency.

Investments in energy efficiency yield high returns and can be implemented in a short time frame and customized to specific consumer needs. Increasing energy efficiency will not expose customers or APS (and other utilities) to fluctuating fossil fuel, natural gas and other such prices. Energy Efficiency (EE) costs only 1-3 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh), does not generate toxic pollution, air pollution, or nuclear waste and does not require power lines. The Department of Energy found that every \$1 spent on EE programs saved over \$4. Arizona ranks only 33rd in the U.S. on utility energy efficiency – we can do better!

As Arizona continues to grow into the future, we need a more efficient and cleaner mix of energy resources. The benefits of doing so will lead to more stabilized prices, greater reliability and a reduction in need for transmission and other infrastructure system costs. Also, a 2007 report from McKinsey and Co. estimates that one-third of the U.S. greenhouse gas reductions by 2030 could come from energy efficiency.

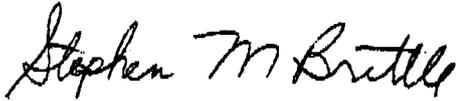
Energy efficiency would have real and immediate economic benefits by reducing energy bills by 10-50%, by creating over 12,000 new jobs by 2025, and by keeping money in Arizona and in its economy: \$6 billion of the \$10 billion/year Arizona currently spends on energy leaves the state.

To me, paying more in electric rates to pay less on the electric bill makes sense. The resulting energy savings more than offsets the cost of energy efficiency measures. Through increasing investments in energy efficiency programs, the Commission will

allow businesses and consumers to save money which can be used to benefit local economies in our state.

I urge you to move forward an increase energy efficiency requirements as part of the APS rate case and as part of the Commission workshops on energy efficiency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen M. Brittle".

Stephen M. Brittle
President