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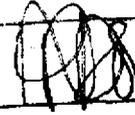
February 9, 2010

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The Honorable Kristin Mayes  
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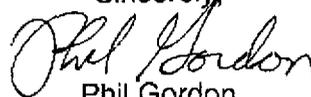
Dear Commissioner Mayes:

I am writing to express my support for the Arizona Public Service (APS) Community Power Project. As you know, the proposed pilot project in Flagstaff would provide residents with greater access to renewable energy at no upfront cost. I believe the success of this program will serve as a model that will hopefully be replicated throughout the State of Arizona.

Last year, the City of Phoenix partnered with Arizona State University, APS and SRP to launch *Green Phoenix*, an ambitious 17-point plan designed to make Phoenix the most sustainable and first carbon-neutral city in the country. In a short period of time, the City has already made significant progress in advancing *Green Phoenix*, including the launch of Solar Phoenix - the largest city-sponsored residential solar program in the country.

The interest in residential solar has been incredible – and I believe we are seeing only the beginning of much more to come. Within the City of Phoenix, permits for residential solar increased by 400 percent in 2009 when compared to 2008. The proposed Community Power Project in Flagstaff would increase awareness and help educate the entire state on the importance and benefits of “going solar.” In addition, this project approach proposed by APS makes solar accessible to low-income residents as well as many senior citizens who can easily be intimidated by the new technology.

Finally, as you consider approving this project, I respectfully request that the results of this program count toward APS’ distributed energy goals, as these systems truly benefit residential customers directly. It is my hope that should the Flagstaff project be a success, APS would be interested and capable of expanding the program to additional communities.

Sincerely,  
  
Phil Gordon  
Mayor

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