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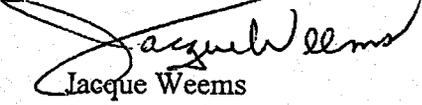
RE: Please reinstate "no cost" electric service lines to residence or business to connection to the nearest main power source.

Dear Commissioner Newman,

Please be aware of the severe consequences of many Arizona citizens who, as a result in the change in Arizona Public Service policy, now own property to which they cannot afford to install electric service.

1. The "free line" policy has been in effect for 54 years, with about EVERY Arizonan alive benefiting from the utility provided line extensions, especially in rural Arizona.
2. APS is a monopoly in our electricity market, providing no means to obtain competitive bids.
3. The power lines are a cost of doing business which APS should bear, just like other companies.
4. This policy is dramatically reducing property values, as many without power, are no longer affordable for housing.
5. Rural and out-lying Counties are being hit very hard, as they are largely undeveloped, making the repeal of the free extension an enormous hardship for rural residents and developers.
6. Rural and outlying Arizona is a partner in the economy and quality of life that ALL Arizonans enjoy. We pay for our growth with impact fees, building permits, and taxes and provide a huge benefit to the state. The economic downturn and crash of the state's housing market has all but stopped new construction in rural Arizona and placed an unprecedented hardship on county businesses, homeowners and the county governments. Reinstating the 1,000 foot "no cost" utility provided line extension would be a helpful and productive action.

Thank you for considering this matter,


Jacquie Weems
Sedona, Arizona

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