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Investigator: Guadalupe Ortiz Phone: 2010 JAN 28 1 P 3: 35 Fax:

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Opinion No. 2010 84468 Date: 1/26/2010

Complaint Description: 08E Rate Cases Items - In Favor
N/A Not Applicable

Complaint By: First: Colin Last: Wood

Account Name: Colin Wood

Home:

Street:

Work:

City:

CBR:

State: AZ Zip:

is: E-Mail

Utility Company: Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Division: Electric

Contact Name:

Contact Phone:

Nature of Complaint:

REFERRED FROM CHAIRMAN MAYES (EMAIL SENT TO ALL COMMISSIONER'S) - OPINION IN FAVOR:

RE: Docket No. E-01575A-09-0453

Arizona Corporation Commission
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JAN 28 2010

From: Colin Wood [mailto:
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2010 7:03 AM
To: Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Mayes-WebEmail; Pierce-Web; Newman-Web
Subject: Sonoita power support

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To the Arizona Corporations Commission - Commissioners,

I am writing in support of Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative (SSVEC) and their efforts to construct a 69 KV line in the Sonoita area. I believe that SSVEC has acted and continue to act in a very favorable manner with regards to their mandate to provide cost effective electric power to their members, the citizens and businesses of Cochise County.

SSVEC is a non-profit, member owned cooperative. The main objective of an electric cooperative is to bring power to underserved areas. These are the very entities that actually "turned the lights on" in thousands of rural communities throughout the country. Cooperatives not only provide power to their members, but they also are very active within their communities. SSVEC sponsors children each year to make the journey to our nation's capital through the Washington Youth Tour Project. The co-op also provides several scholarships each year to local children, they assist families in financial need and they attend and financially support dozens of local events and charities throughout Cochise County. SSVEC also provides thousands of rural consumers access to broadband technology that otherwise would not be available if not for the co-op initiative to bring high-speed Internet service to their members.

Power providers inevitably need to consider the needs of the communities they serve while mitigating the impact of new facilities on the landscape and inhabitants of areas adjacent to these facilities. That said, the

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people in Sonoita were very much aware of the easement rules when they purchased their property. While SSVEC has made every attempt to address the wishes of those adjacent to the easement where the new 69 KV line will be constructed there are a very small number of unhappy consumers. It would be wonderful if 100% of the people were happy 100% of the time, however that is not reality. It is time for technology to move forward. The monies being wasted right now on hearings, surveys and public relations is only hurting SSVEC members. As a member owned entity, funds that have been diverted to ongoing studies and the like have diverted resources from other beneficial undertakings.

So please accept this letter as a statement of full support of SSVEC and their decision to build the 69 KV line in Sonoita. The vast silent majority that supports progress is monitoring your actions in this matter very closely.

Sincerely,

Colin Wood
End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

N/A
End of Response

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

Email to Customer:

Dear Colin Wood,

Your email dated, January 25, 2010 in regard to the application filed by Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative ("SSVEC") sent to Chairman Mayes and all Commissioners has been received and will be placed on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") to be made part of the record.

The Commission will take your comments into consideration before a decision is rendered in the SSVEC case. Comments and concerns raised by customers assist the Commission within the investigation and review of the application. Commission staff appreciates the time you have taken to express your comments on the proposed matter.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me directly at _____ or on our in-state toll free telephone number (800) 222-7000.

Thank you,

Guadalupe Ortiz
Public Utilities Consumer Analyst
Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division
CLOSED
End of Comments

Date Completed: 1/26/2010

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