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RE: Hualapai Valley Solar Project / Mohave Sun Power

Chairman Mayes and Commissioners,

Good Morning, and thank you for taking a moment to read my comments.

My name is Chris Durkin, I am President of The Kingman Downtown Merchants Association, and Events Coordinator for the Route 66 Association of Kingman. My role in these organizations is to promote the growth and prosperity of the business, economy, and attractions here in Kingman Arizona.

Hualapai Valley Solar has been an excellent partner in our community from the very beginnings of the project. They have sought out not only our Government and Civic Leaders, but also our citizens and community organizations, to share information and to solicit input and ideas from our community on everything from design concepts, to building and operation considerations, to workforce training and development to prepare our local workforce to participate in the opportunities that will grow out of this project. They have already shown themselves to be good members of our community.

This project's value to Kingman and Mohave County go far beyond the revenue generated from electricity, and even beyond the jobs and revenue from the construction of the plant. This project positions our community on the leading edge of renewable energy. This project, and others like it, will shine the spotlight on Mohave County and help to create an entire industry centered around renewable energies, and the technology, development, and jobs that come with that development. The placement of the rural communities of Arizona at the forefront of this rapidly developing industry will serve well our entire state economically, technologically, and ecologically.

The partnerships developed by Mohave Sun Power illustrate their concern for their community and environment. The use of otherwise wasted effluent from our water treatment facility to significantly reduce any impact on the local environment show just one more way that this project will lead our whole country into sensible partnerships to develop energy solutions that have maximum benefit with minimum impact on the environment.

The jobs, exposure, development, economic impact, and growth that this project will promote are keys to the future prosperity of Kingman, Mohave County, and the State of Arizona. I strongly urge you to positively consider the benefits to all of our citizens, and approve this project that Mohave Sun Power has worked so diligently to bring to fruition.

Thank you,  
*Christopher P. Durkin*

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