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Opinion No. 2010 88707 Date: 8/18/2010

Complaint Description: 08A Rate Case Items - Opposed
N/A Not Applicable

Complaint By: **Charlie**

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Kentnor

Arizona Corporation Commission

Account Name: Charlie Kentnor

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Utility Company: Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Division: Electric

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Nature of Complaint:

From: Charlie Kentnor [mailto:ckentnor@mac.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2010 10:41 AM
To: Mayes-WebEmail; Pierce-Web; Newman-Web; Kennedy-Web; Stump-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Cc: Maynard John; sara.hummelrajca@mail.house.gov; ron.barber@mail.house.gov
Subject: SSVEC Application for a 69Kv power line and the appeal thereof

Dear Chairman Mayes and Commissioners:

My name is Charles Kentnor. I live in Elgin, AZ on a 320 acre homestead ranch that epitomizes the beauty of the High Sonoran Desert. I am a graduate engineer from Cornell University (Ithaca, NY), the former owner of a manufacturing business, a management consultant and I am currently a licensed real estate agent in Arizona and Colorado. I am also a member of the SSVEC cooperative who is concerned that the recent decision approving a 69Kv line extension into our community will needlessly increase our cost of electricity. I have also read the Navigant study which SSVEC ordered and which was previously submitted to your commission.

My observations are as follows:

1. The consultants clearly stated in their summary that there was no need for additional power in the Sonoita, Elgin and Patagonia area, (The mountain Empire), until 2029. Almost 20 years from now.
2. The consultants clearly stated the power outages experienced in the community are not related to the availability of power coming from the Whetstone station.
3. The consultants clearly stated the main sources of outages are: Lightning and animals. All other causes are insignificant.
4. The consultants clearly stated the average outage experienced in the community is 3 hours per year and that is due to the difficulty getting to the source of some outages. This time could be reduced dramatically with the

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introduction of SMART Technology allowing for the remote resetting of switches.

5. The addition of a 69Kv line represents a capacity of 2.8 times the existing feeder which is not at capacity! (How the utility decided it needed additional capacity of that amount is not explained and is beyond comprehension.)

In summary, I am hard pressed to find any engineering reason in the study done by Navigant that supports the need for a power line of this size and at this time to serve the needs of our community. Therefore, the only outcome of this expensive installation will be an increase in my electric bill for many years prior to an actual need. I would sincerely appreciate the ACC reconsidering their decision and hopefully denying SSVEC's request to install this line.

Thanks very much.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Kentnor

End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

Opinion noted and filed in Docket No. E-01575A-08-0328 & E-01575A-09-0453. closed

End of Comments

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