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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
GILA BEND POWER PARTNERS, L.L.C.)
AND ITS ASSIGNEES IN CONFORMANCE)
WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA)
REVISED STATUTES SECTIONS 40-360.03)
AND 40-360.06 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY)
AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF ONE)
500KV TRANSMISSION LINE AND)
ASSOCIATED SWITCHYARD)
COMPONENTS IN MARICOPA COUNTY,)
ARIZONA ORIGINATING AT THE)
HASSAYAMPA SWITCHYARD NEAR THE)
PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING)
STATION WEST OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA)
(SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH,)
RANGE 6 WEST, G&SRB&M) AND)
TERMINATING AT THE JOJOBA)
SWITCHYARD (SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 2)
SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST) A DISTANCE OF)
APPROXIMATELY 20 MILES)

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CASE NO. 119

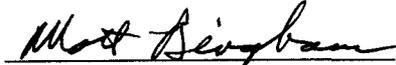
**GILA BEND POWER PARTNERS'
NOTICE OF FILING LETTER OF
SUPPORT FROM THE TOWN OF
GILA BEND**

Gila Bend Power Partners, L.L.C. ("GBPP") respectfully submits the attached letter from the Town of Gila Bend in support of GBPP's Application for an Extension of its Certificate of Environmental Compatibility.

This filing is also being made in the dockets for Line Siting Cases Nos. 106 and 109 (Dockets Nos. L-00000V-00-0106 and L-00000V-00-0109).

1 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 18th day of January, 2011.

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January 11, 2011

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RE Letter of Support

Mr. Innamorati

As Mayor of the Town of Gila Bend, please consider this a letter of support for the project known as "Gila Bend Power Partners' Proposed 845 Megawatt Generating Plant," and accordingly the request for an extension of the Certificates of Environmental Compatibility ("CEC"), approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission in 2001.

This power plant project will provide job opportunities for local residents, significant revenues for area businesses, and tax dollars for the community of Gila Bend, Maricopa County, and the State of Arizona.

In addition as communities in the West Valley continue to grow (residential, commercial, and industrial), the project meets an increasing need for additional generation capacity and critical system reliability for the entire metropolitan area and the greater Southwest. As Gila Bend continues to grow as the solar capital of the nation, a highly efficient combined cycle facility such as this project, compliment the Town's portfolio approach towards reliable sources of renewable energy based utility scale generation. The Town also sees opportunities for co-location of transmission lines and facilities to support this portfolio effort.

As originally proposed, the project site was selected carefully to minimize disruptions to the surrounding environment and nearby landowners. You have my authorization to forward this letter to the Corporation Commission as part of your upcoming supplemental filing in support of your extension request. Thank you for your consideration and continuing efforts to contribute to Gila Bend's Economic Development.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Henry", is written over a horizontal line.

Ron Henry
Mayor