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**BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND  
TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY FOR  
A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE 138 kV  
TRANSMISSION LINE AND ASSOCIATED  
FACILITIES FROM THE EXISTING DEMOSS  
PETRIE SUBSTATION IN SECTION 35, T.13S.,  
R.13E., TO THE EXISTING TUCSON  
SUBSTATION IN SECTION 12, T.14S., R.13E.,  
IN THE CITY OF TUCSON, PIMA COUNTY,  
ARIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000C-10-0507-00157  
Case No. 157

**NOTICE OF FILING**

Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP"), through undersigned counsel, hereby provides written public comment submitted during the evening public comment session that took place on January 24, 2011, starting at 6:00 p.m. at the location of the evidentiary hearings conducted for this matter.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 2011.

**TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY**

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January 24, 2011

John Foreman, Chairman  
Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee  
1200 W. Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Comments for public hearing on DeMoss Petrie (DMP) Substation to Tucson Substation  
Transmission Line Project (Tucson, 1-24-2011)

Dear Mr. Foreman:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your proposed alternatives for the DMP to Tucson substation transmission line project. I represent several of the neighborhoods that will be affected by this project and join them in supporting the proposed "Freeway Route," with the addition of one small change.

The Freeway Route resembles the route offered by the citizen's working group – Citizens for Safe Power lines. They met for months and gathered a talented volunteer team to study TEP's maps and guidelines and attend the public meetings. The Dunbar Spring neighborhood is a nationally-designated historic neighborhood and Barrio Anita has applied for the national historic neighborhood designation. It is critical that the power poles be placed away from where they could erode the historic integrity of the neighborhoods. Additionally, it is critical that the poles be located away from schools and playgrounds. For those reasons, I am requesting that you make one small change to the "Freeway Route," by specifying that the poles run along the south side of St. Mary's road to I-10, to avoid Davis School and Oury Park.

I have been impressed by the level of involvement of the community and by the professional staff at Tucson Electric Power. I support the revised "Freeway Route" and strongly urge the committee to send this option to the Arizona Corporation Commission with an approval recommendation.

In Community,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Regina Romero", written over the "In Community," text.

Regina Romero  
Tucson City Council Ward 1

*This is the*

Sierra Club Rincon Group statement to the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee on Tucson Electric Power Co.'s transmission line proposal:

The Sierra Club Rincon Group supports the preferred "Freeway Route" of Tucson Electric Power Co. for a 138-kilovolt power transmission line between its Tucson and DeMoss Petrie substations.

The preferred "Freeway Route" before you is strongly favored by local residents and the neighborhood associations that represent them, as it has minimal impact on homes. Unlike the other alternatives, it lies primarily in or near the rights of way of Interstate 10 and the Union Pacific Railroad. This is a good route for power lines of this size and voltage as the breakage of a line or the falling of a pole would be much less likely there to damage homes, businesses<sup>es</sup> or the people in and around them.

In addition, homeowners and businessmen in the area of the alternative routes should not have to view and to avoid the large (at least 75-foot in height) poles and wires of this proposal in and around where they reside and do business.

We are pleased that TEP took its requirement seriously to conduct an ~~X~~ open and public process in arriving at its preferred route, and that it displayed genuine concern for the affected public in making this wise decision. The Sierra Club Rincon Group urges the committee to agree with TEP and the affected public, and forward the preferred "Freeway Route" to the Arizona Corporation Commission with an approval recommendation.

January 24, 2011

**Barrio Anita Neighborhood Association  
Position on TEP's Power Lines Affecting our Neighborhood.**

The residents of Barrio Anita support Citizens for Safe Powerlines and the Freeway Route proposed by TEP. However, we, as substantiated by the attached 2-page petition and the united opinions of Barrio Anita residents, do not agree with the proposed location of one of TEP's towers on the ~~southeast~~<sup>west</sup> corner of Oury Park. This park is heavily used by children from Barrio Anita and other neighborhoods; therefore, we feel that that particular tower will make the park unsafe and dangerous for our children.

We ask that the tower in question be moved South of St. Mary's Rd., as shown in the attached Figure, where there are more suitable places for such a tower. In addition, we feel that this tower at our park will not be an aesthetically pleasing addition.

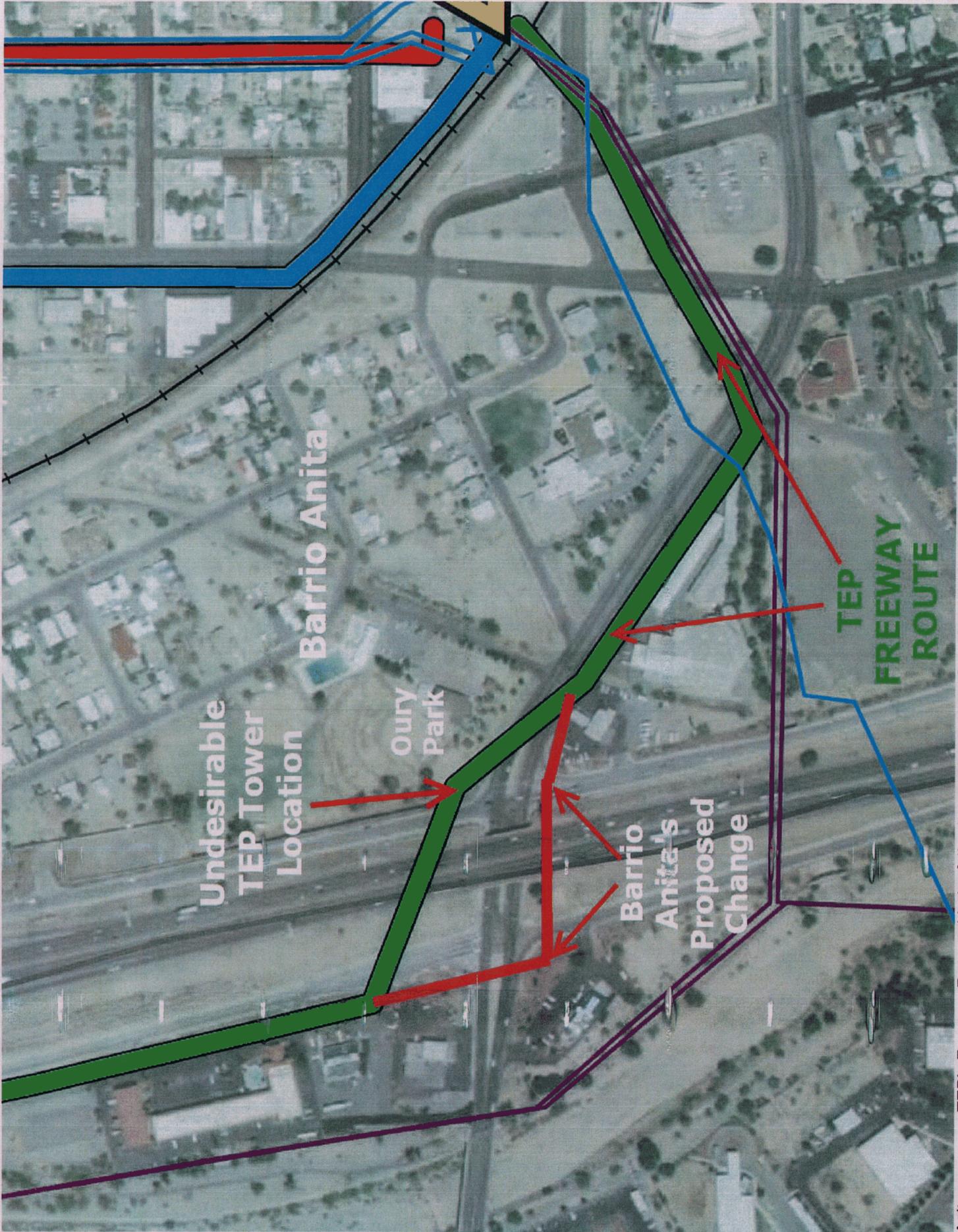
We thank the ACC in advance for taking into consideration our request.

Respectfully,



Feliciano L. Leon, *President*  
Barrio Anita Neighborhood Association

Encls. (2): 2-page petition, 1 Figure



Barrio Anita approves TEP's Freeway Route with the following exception. We feel that TEP's proposed tower at the southwest corner of Oury Park will create an unsafe and dangerous environment for our residents and for those who use the park. Furthermore, this tower at our park will not be an aesthetically pleasing addition. We recommend that it be moved to our proposed location which is south of St. Mary's Road as shown in this figure. Please see our signed petition in this regard. (FLL-2011)

Petition Against TEP Power Lines Affecting Barrio Anita

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**Brad Lancaster, resident and past president of the Dunbar/Spring Neighborhood**  
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January 21, 2011

Arizona Corporation Commission

John Foreman, Chairman  
Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee  
1200 West Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

I am a long term resident of the Dunbar/Spring neighborhood writing in regards to the proposal of Tucson Electric Power Co to install a 138-kilovolt power transmission line between its Tucson and DeMoss Petrie substations (Docket No. L-0000C-10-0507-00157).

I strongly support Citizens for Safe Powerlines and the Freeway route proposed by TEP down St. Mary's and along the freeway.  
This route has the least negative impacts of the proposed routes.

Though to make the Freeway route even better I recommend moving just one pole – the pole proposed at the northeast corner of St. Mary's and the frontage road, which is the southwest corner of Oury Park. I recommend the pole be moved to the south side of St. Mary's and away from Oury Park.

Since moving to the downtown area in 1994, I have long been active in the Dunbar/Spring neighborhood, the West Side Coalition, the Building Bridges Project, and many other efforts and organizations working to enhance life in the downtown and west side area neighborhoods. We have made great strides enhancing the quality of life in these vibrant, diverse, and historic communities with the creation and improvement of public parks, playgrounds, and gardens; tree planting projects (with trees subsidized by TEP and TEP volunteers); home and business renovations; rooftop solar power and solar hot water installations; after school art and language programs; bicycle/wheelchair/and pedestrian infrastructure improvements; annual festivals attended by thousands; and the creation of the Dunbar Project – a community center and African American Museum. Much of this is concentrated along 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Main Avenue – and the transmission line routes I do NOT support.

The Freeway route supports our communities' on-going positive efforts.

The other proposed routes (Main Ave and 11<sup>th</sup> Ave) would erode and even destroy many of these efforts.

100-foot poles and 138-kV lines (along with their shading of rooftop solar installations, concerns of increased EMF exposure and reduced safety) do not belong in neighborhoods where such power lines would radically change the current historical residential character, use, and scale to a much more industrial and highway-like character, use, and scale.

So, please put the poles along the freeway where they blend with that character, use, and scale.

Choose the freeway route.

Sincerely,

Brad Lancaster

PS – In addition, it would be icing on the cake if TEP were to replace the chain link fence around the substation in Dunbar/Spring with a solid wall of equal height as has been requested since the late 1990s to reduce light and noise emitted into adjoining properties. It would then be compliant with all other substations observed in other residential neighborhoods around Tucson that are all walled rather than fenced.

**Dear Arizona Corporation Commission and Line Siting Committee:**

**My name is Vincent Pawlowski, I live at 255 W. University Blvd., Tucson, Arizona. That is on the southeast corner of University Boulevard and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There is currently a 46 Kv pole on the corner of the right of way directly outside my property.**

**I speak in favor of the Freeway Route, against the Speedway Route and most strongly opposed to the 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Route tonight. In particular, I wish to speak in regard to testimony given at hearings held this afternoon.**

**On the Speedway Route, the Main Avenue section Google Earth flyover showed little automotive traffic. That is not factual. Main Avenue has been treated by commuters as a major arterial collector. The area beginning with the railroad track is a 30 MPH speed zone that usually carries 40-50 MPH traffic. The death of a prominent Tucson citizen occurred near this crossing due to drag racers automobiles leaving the ground near the potential locations of a power pole. Whether that kind of driving is right or wrong, please consider the impact of high speed collisions when considering this route.**

**The commercial structures on the east side of the north end of the Freeway and Speedway Routes north of the former theater are not consumer oriented businesses , they ought to be considered as a low-impact industrial area.**

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**The 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Route through the Dunbar/Spring neighborhood**

On the 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Route, the photographs of the University Boulevard intersection looking north on 11<sup>th</sup> showed little automotive traffic. That is not factual. University Blvd is, according to the City of Tucson's Development Services, designated as "MS&R", a major street. Both 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue and University Boulevard take overflow traffic from Main Ave during train track closures. Although it is a 25 MPH speed zone it frequently carries 30-40 MPH bursts of traffic. Please consider the impact of high speed collisions along this route also.

The Freeway Route is most compatible <sup>with the area.</sup> Please explore the hidden costs of the alternatives and do not force our city and neighborhood to absorb those costs for an apparent savings for TEP. There are no losers if the Freeway Route is chosen. However, should the Arizona Corporation Commission or its Siting Committee choose either of the alternative routes, especially the 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Route, I believe these hidden costs would quite quickly become brightly visible.

Sincerely,

Vincent Pawlowski

  
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Tucson, Arizona 85705