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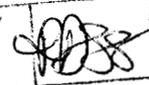
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Gary Pierce, Commissioner
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 West Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Dear Commissioner Pierce,

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, I express our strong desire that the Commission does reinstate TEP's historic line extension policy. The Navajo County Board of Supervisors has expressed its support to this policy to the Commission several times.

I am enclosing letters sent in July and August 2009 in which our position on this issue has not changed.

Thank you again for your consideration and communication on this important issue.

Sincerely,

J.R. DeSpain,
District II Supervisor

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July 14, 2009

The Honorable Kristin K. Mayes
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Extension Policy - 1000 foot free-line extension
Docket Number E-01345A-08-0172

Dear Commissioners,

On behalf of the residents of Navajo County, we respectfully ask that you reconsider the previously-adopted APS extension policy and reinstate the 1000ft. free line extension.

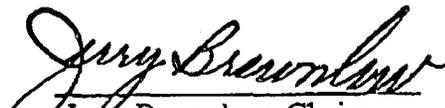
These actions have had a chilling effect on those contemplating new construction in Navajo County. Unlike the state's more developed urban areas, Navajo County is largely rural and undeveloped, making the repeal of the free extension an enormous hardship for Navajo County residents and developers.

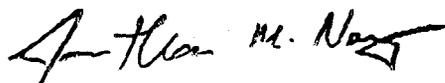
The economic downturn and crash of the state's housing market has all but stopped new construction in the County and placed an unprecedented hardship on County businesses, homeowners, and County government itself.

We feel that it is in the best interests of the state to make new development as inexpensive and convenient as possible to facilitate a recovery of our economy and housing market.

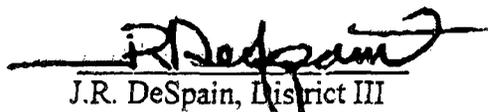
Reinstating the 1000ft. free line extension would be a helpful and productive first step.

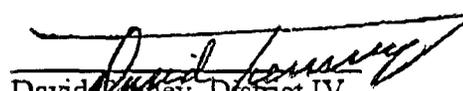
Respectfully submitted,


Jerry Brownlow, Chairman


Jonathan Nez, District I


Jesse Thompson, District II


J.R. DeSpain, District III


David Tenney, District IV



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August 25, 2009

Gary Pierce, Commissioner
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 West Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Pierce,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Commission's line extension policies and your offer to hold a Commission hearing in Navajo County. On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, I express our strong desire that the Commission hold such a hearing in the County so that our constituents may have an opportunity to express themselves on this subject.

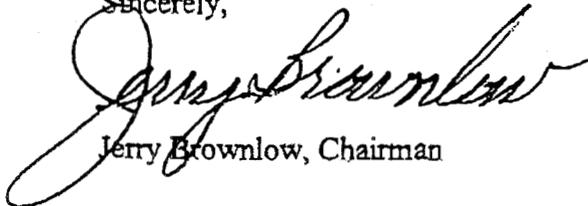
As you know, the Commission's decision to reverse its longstanding policy of allowing no-cost electrical hook-ups has had a devastating impact on rural areas like Navajo County. The timing of this decision could not have been worse. As the state's housing market collapsed, many rural property owners found that their ability to sell and develop their land suddenly became extraordinarily expensive.

Because of this, the Navajo County Board of Supervisors has expressed its opposition to this policy to the Commission several times.

We hope that you will hold a hearing in Navajo County that will give our residents an opportunity to make their voices heard on this issue. I am confident that a suitable venue can be located and made available to you. Please feel free to contact Rod Ross, Navajo County Government Relations Administrator to work out the details of a location and time.

Thank you again for your communication on this important issue.

Sincerely,



Jerry Brownlow, Chairman