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RE: Arizona Public Service Company Application for Approval of Version 12 of Service Schedule 3 and Agreement Concerning Same, Docket No. E-01345A-11-0207

On May 20, 2011, Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") filed an application for approval of Version 12 of Service Schedule 3 and a Proposed Agreement on Issues Related to APS's Service Schedule 3. The application had the support of a broad base of stakeholders including the Arizona Association of Realtors, the Home Builders Association of Central Arizona ("HBACA"), Ms. Barbara Wylie-Pecora, the Residential Utility Consumer Office, the Arizona Investment Council, and IBEW Locals 387 and 769. On September 30, 2011, the Utilities Division ("Staff") of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") filed its report recommending approval of APS application with some minor clarifications. HBACA appreciates the Commission's and APS's efforts to address our concerns regarding APS's present line extension policy.

HBACA fully supports the ACC Staff report. However, in further discussions with APS, HBACA requests a clarification to when the time clock starts with respect to the refund period for refundable advances for projects initiated under Version 12.

HBACA, with the support of APS, recommends the following clarification to Section 2.2.5:

"The refund eligibility period shall be five (5) years which will start three (3) months from the date Company executes the Line Extension Agreement with the applicant. A review of the project will be conducted every twelve months henceforth ~~annually~~ to determine subdivision buildout, and if the qualifications have been met for any refunds."

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Conforming changes will also be required for Sections 2.5.5, 3.1.5.3 and 5.1.3.

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Again, HBACA supports the Staff report on this important matter and the efforts of the Commission to adopt a line extension policy that restores a more equitable sharing of the costs of extending APS facilities to new customers.

Sincerely,

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Connie Wilhelm

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