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As a party interested in the ACC's investigation of Distributed Generation and Interconnections you will find the following attached items:

- 1. January 31, 2000 Advisory Committee meeting minutes.
- 2. Proposed Agenda for February 7, 2000 Advisory Committee Meeting

These items will be filed in ACC Docket Control per:

Docket No. E-00000A-99-0431

General investigation of Distributed Generation and Interconnections for potential retail electric competition rules consideration.

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**ACC Special Open Meeting Minutes
Distributed Generation & Interconnections Workgroup
Advisory Committee**

Date: January 31, 2000

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: ACC Commissioner's Conference Room
1200 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007

Purpose: A special open meeting to consider Distributed Generation & Interconnections (DGI) per Docket No. E-00000A-99-0431.

Attendance:

- No Arizona Corporation Commissioners present
- Committee Members present – Jerry D. Smith (ACC), Brian O'Donnell (DEAA), Chuck Miessner (NE), Chuck DeCorse (TEP), Bill Murphy (City of Phoenix), Steve Schmollinger (TEP), Matt Puffer (Engine World), Steve Bischoff (APS), Dan Goodrich (SRP), Linda Buczynski (City of Tucson), Jeff Jacobson (SW Gas) and Dave Drummond (DPCA). David Townley (NEV Technologies) via teleconference.
- Others - Scott Swanson (APS), Bryan Gernet (APS), Randy Sable (SWG), Ray Williamson (ACC Staff), Prem Bahl (RUCO), Jeff Sams (SSVEC), Mike Schwindenhammer (SSVEC), Bill Meek (AUIA), Warren Louis (Honeywell), Carl Brittain (IBEW), and Rebekah Friend (IBEW). Beatrice Rivera (Honeywell) via teleconference.

Meeting Summary:

The Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by its chairman at 10:00 AM. Jerry Smith welcomed those in attendance and reminded them that the meeting had been properly noticed as a special open meeting. The proceedings are open to the general public. New participants were introduced and welcomed to the process.

The meeting began with a review of the agenda and approving the minutes of the January 24, 2000 meeting. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to reviewing issues documented in response to questions #3 and #4 of the January 4th Advisory Committee questionnaire. The draft synopsis for question #3 postulated that the results of the three DGI Committee final reports conflicted or were divergent in the following areas:

1. Definitions of terms used by the three committees.
2. The classification of DG units by size differed as a result of different considerations.
3. Views regarding the benefits and costs of DG applications differ among the committees.
4. Safety, system protection, planning and mapping concerns.
5. The utilities obligation to buy energy from an interconnected DG customer.

Discussion of the above items lead to the conclusion that items 1, 3, and 4 should be moved to the report section regarding inadequate or incomplete action by the assigned DG Workgroup committee. This conclusion was reached as a result of these issues being assigned to a specific DG Workgroup committee. It was also agreed that item 3 should also be an item retained in this

section of the report because of the differing views among committees. The Advisory Committee concluded each of the above items, with the exception of item 5, merits mention in the executive summary of its report. The committee also concluded item 5 more appropriately belongs in the report section responding to question 4 of the questionnaire.

The draft synopsis for question 4 of the January 4th questionnaire suggests that consensus has not been achieved among the three DG Workgroup Committees for the following issues:

1. DG application process
2. Pre-certification of personnel and equipment
3. Confidentiality of DG customer information
4. Connections of DG units with distribution networks
5. System impact cost
6. DG customer selling energy as a wholesale transaction
7. Tariff pricing
8. Overarching technical issues

It was concluded that issues 2, 4, and 6 through 8 should be relocated to the section of the report dealing with issues inadequately addressed by the three DGI Workgroup Committees. Items 3 and 8 belong in the report section discussing issues not addressed by the three DGI Workgroup Committees. It was agreed that items 4 and 7 warrant mention in the executive summary of the report. Meanwhile, item 5 is being dealt with elsewhere in the report. The Advisory Committee recommends that items 1 through 3 and item 7 should be referred to the ACC rulemaking process without consensus. A special workshop is suggested to deal solely with item 4. Item 6 is viewed as a jurisdictional issue that should be referred to regulatory authorities for resolution.

Action Items:

1. Team 2 is to repackage their draft with the items that remain from the above Advisory Committee efforts and moved to their section from earlier meetings. It is recognized that there are likely numerous items that have been documented by Team 1 as items that have not been adequately addressed by the three DGI Workgroup Committees that more appropriately belong in the Team 2 draft. That will be dealt with at the next committee meeting.
2. Team 1 is to revise its draft to include items relocated as a result of this meeting. It is to be distributed electronically by Thursday afternoon to allow ample time for review prior to the next meeting.
3. Future Advisory Committee meetings are scheduled for February 7th and 14th from 10:00 AM -2:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.

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**ACC Special Open Meeting:
Distributed Generation & Interconnections Workgroup
Advisory Committee**

Date: February 7, 2000

Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Location: Commissioner's Conference Room
1200 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Purpose: Special open meeting to consider Distributed Generation & Interconnections (DGI).

AGENDA

1. Review and approval of January 31, 2000 committee minutes
2. Review drafts of DGI Workgroup Process Assessment / Critique
3. Review Executive Summary
4. Review DGI Workgroup Process Overview draft
5. Committee assignments for February 14 meeting