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RE: APS Programs and Program Budgets, E-01345A-11-0232

Dear Chairman Pierce and Commissioners,

As an APS customer who is very supportive of energy efficiency programs, I am writing to urge to you approve APS's Programs and Program Budgets.

I represent the standard lower-middle-income family. My husband and I are certainly feeling the crunch of these tough economic times. However, I consider my family to be more fortunate than many of the other low- and middle-income families in our state. Energy efficiency is one of the primary reasons why.

When my husband and I bought our first home in 2008, we worked to make it as energy efficient as possible. Thanks to the variety of rebates available at that time, we were able to afford some of the big-ticket items, such as improved attic insulation and efficient appliances, as well as the lower-cost measures such as fluorescent lighting. We saw an immediate change in our utility bills as well as the comfort of our home. The money we've saved from these measures has allowed us to focus our resources on more important things. The savings also helped us realize our dream of installing solar on our roof. Our home now generates more energy than it uses. Our typical energy bills are just the standard fees, which are about \$10 per month.

I cannot imagine having to spend the \$100-800 on my energy bills that I hear about from other people. These amounts scare and horrify me. If my husband and I had to pay an additional \$100-200 a month, we may not lose our home, but we would certainly be quite a bit more financially strapped than we currently are. I am shocked that people are able to pay this amount each month and still be able to afford other necessities and provide for their families. Based on the state of our economy, I know that many cannot.

At the public meeting on January 10, during which time the commission addressed Tucson Electric Power's energy efficiency programs, much of the discussion revolved around Commissioner Burns' proposed waiver for TEP. Although I am not a TEP customer, I was dismayed that the utility and commission would be willing to further delay such important steps. Energy efficiency saves people money, protects our environment, protects public health, and much more. It is the cheapest energy resource available to us and makes financial sense. All of the utilities in our state need to be taking greater strides when it comes to saving energy and lowering customers' bills, and the commission should be encouraging them to do so rather than granting waivers. Stronger energy efficiency measures are not something that should be put off until sometime in the future.

At the January 10th meeting, Commissioner Burns also read a letter from a senior citizen who is having a hard time with his energy bills and is concerned about the efficiency surcharge. He doesn't

think that he should be responsible for paying for others to implement efficiency measures. My question to him is this: Why hasn't he taken advantage of the efficiency rebates? Yes, that surcharge helps his neighbors implement efficiency measures, but it's primarily there to benefit him. If he were to make use of the incentives available and implement efficiency measures at home, he would save quite a bit more money on his bill than he spends on that surcharge. I can guarantee that based on my own experiences as well as research that has been conducted throughout our state.

We need to get serious about planning for both our present and our future. I urge the Corporation Commission to implement increased efficiency measures, not only for APS but for other utilities across our state as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Sprague', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tiffany A. Sprague
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Mrs. Caryle Johnson
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I encourage you to protect the interests of today and tomorrow's ratepayers by supporting these important programs.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Caryle Johnson

Ms. Georgia Braithwaite
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Sincerely,
Ms. Georgia Braithwaite

Ms. Rita Guidi
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Wickenburg, AZ 85358-2578

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Sincerely,
Ms. Rita Guidi

Mr. James Hennessy
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My business as well as many others in Arizona depend on all the energy efficiency programs in place. Marketing and getting the word out is just as important as the programs themselves. It helps change the collective consciousness of the people in Arizona, by enlightening and encouraging all users of energy that "Energy Efficiency" can and will make a difference in Arizona's future.

The funds need to be continuously regenerated for all the rebate programs that help create the incentive to move forward with capital improvement projects at businesses and our homes alike. Without these types of programs and rebates in place the payback gets pushed passed the point where people and businesses are willing to commit... especially in our current economic environment.

As a business owner that depends on these programs and energy efficiency rebates, I urge you to only support and enhance any already existing programs rather than diminish them. Thank you for your consideration.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,
Mr. James Hennessy

Mrs. Sharron Sell
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My husband and I are doing everything we can to be energy efficient, so I will support energy efficient programs and budgets in the future.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Sharron Sell

Mrs. Mary & Jack Wolter
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Prescott, AZ 86301-5720
(928) 717-8168

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I encourage you to protect the interests of today and tomorrow's ratepayers by supporting these important programs. The future is in our hands.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Mary & Jack Wolter

Mrs. Denielle Gongaware
320 N 3rd St
Avondale, AZ 85323-1918
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Ms. Celeste Wernz
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Sincerely,
Ms. Celeste Wernz

Mrs. Drena LaPointe-Meyer
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Sincerely,
Mrs. Drena LaPointe-Meyer

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Flagstaff, AZ 86001-1213
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Sincerely,
Ms. Winnie Taney

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,
Ms. Patricia Orlinski

Dr. Judy Karnia
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Sincerely,
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Sincerely,
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