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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS

BOB STUMP, CHAIRMAN
GARY PIERCE
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BOB BURNS
SUSAN BITTER SMITH

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY
FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND
REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES
DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE
RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE
OF ITS OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE
STATE OF ARIZONA

DOCKET NO. E-01933A-12-0291

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

CYNTHIA ZWICK
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Arizona Corporation Commission

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1 Q. Please state your name for the record.

2 A. Cynthia Zwick

3 Q. Have you previously filed testimony in this case?

4 A. Yes. I filed direct testimony on January 11, 2013.

5 Q. What is the purpose of this additional testimony?

6 A. My testimony at this time is intended to articulate my support for the Settlement
7 Agreement filed in this case.
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9 Settlement discussions began in this case on January 15, 2013, with all parties receiving
10 notice and an opportunity to participate. I was able to fully participate in these discussions in
11 order to share my position and concerns about the case as originally filed.
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13 Arizonans throughout the Tucson Electric Power (TEP) service territory continue to
14 struggle to find jobs, to maintain their homes, to feed their families, in short to simply make
15 ends meet, and are also unable to maintain utility service. The parties signing the Settlement
16 Agreement in this case have agreed that circumstances are such that in order to maintain the
17 economic viability of the Company, ensure that low and formerly middle income families realize
18 reasonable rates, are subject to fair practices and procedures, and have additional support
19 available in order to ensure consistent and continued electric service. These parties have
20 entered into the agreement that is before the Commission.
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23 The provisions in this case related to low-income customers that all settling parties have
24 agreed to support the following provisions relating to low-income customers:

- 25 • Tucson Electric Power will make an annual contribution of \$150,000 to Arizona
26 Community Action Association to fund low-income utility bill assistance
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programs, commencing on September 1, 2013;

- TEP will limit a typical Lifeline customer's increase to an amount that is reflective of the average monthly dollar increase of a standard R-01 customer;
- Lifeline customers will be subject to both the PPFAC and DSM surcharges; and
- The Lifeline rates currently in place will continue to survive this case though most will become frozen rates (which will, through attrition phase out over time) with the conditions and discounts applying to all existing and continuing Lifeline rates.

My Direct Testimony and participation in this case was exclusive to the impact of this rate increase on low-income customers.

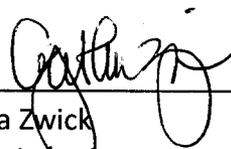
I offer my full support to the agreements reached with respect to the Low-Income issues listed above and thank the Parties to this Settlement for their considered position and urge the support of the Commission as well.

Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

A. Yes, it does.

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