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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
ARIZONA ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE,
INC. TO DETERMINE THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS
PROPERTY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, TO
FIX A JUST AND REASONABLE RETURN
THEREON AND TO APPROVE RATES
DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH RETURN.

DOCKET NO. E-01773A-12-0305-
Public Comments

Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("SSVEC") hereby submits the following letters from
our Member/Owners in support of AEPCO's request for a rate reduction.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of July 2013

Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

By 
David Bane
Key Account Manager

Original and thirteen (13) copies filed this
29th day of July, 2013, with:

Docket Control
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. Washington,
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Office of the Mayor

July 26, 2013

Arizona Corporation Commission
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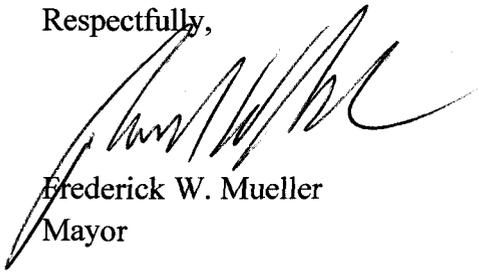
Re: Docket No. E-01773A-12-0305

Dear Commission:

As a Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative (SSVEC) member/owner, we would like to present this letter in support of Arizona Electric Power Cooperative's (AEP) request to lower their rates. Even though we respect the opinion of the consultants hired by the Commission, we don't feel that they have taken all circumstances into consideration. Both SSVEC and AEP are member owned and set up as a not-for-profit organization that support the principle to provide power to their customers at the lowest possible cost. AEP has assessed and taken future environmental enhancements into account and feels confident that a 2.77% savings to its members could be realized right now and still remain competitive. Municipalities throughout the country have been subjected to the economic downturns, but we have our own unique circumstance here in Southern Arizona and the Citizens of Sierra Vista could benefit by some relief in utility costs now to assist in economic recovery within our region.

While future contingencies can and will be addressed by SSVEC and AEP, allowing for a 2.77% reduction now would equate to a savings of \$10,000 over the next year to the City of Sierra Vista alone. Please consider our request to revisit the decision of your consultant to deny a rate reduction that was proposed by the elected Co-op Director and Board. If I can answer any questions in regard to this request please give me a call at 520-458-3315.

Respectfully,


Frederick W. Mueller
Mayor

Walling Affordable Communities
9923 E Flanders Rd
Mesa, AZ 85207
Phone: (480) 354-1922

July 26, 2013

Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. Washington St
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Docket No. E-01773A-12-0305

Dear Commission,

As a Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative member/owner, I would like to present this letter in support of Arizona Electric Power Cooperative (AEPSCO) request to lower their rates. SSVEC Co-Op provides power to our low income communities Casa Del Sol, Santa Fe Springs, and Vista Del Norte. I support this for the following reasons;

- Lower bills helps all of our low income residents and us to honor operation costs so we can provide low income housing
- Both the Co-ops are member owned and not-for-profit
- It supports the Cooperative Principle to provide power at the lowest possible cost
- Our economy in rural AZ is still trying to recover from the recession and every little bit helps. Lower energy costs even if for only a brief period will help support our economic recovery.
- The decision to ask for a reduction in rates was made by my elected Co-op director and Board.
- Out of State Consultants don't have my best interest at heart.

Respectfully,



Barry Walling
Owners Representative
Walling Affordable Communities

cc: Docket Control

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July 25, 2013

Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: Docket # E-01773A-12-0305

Dear Commission,

As a Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative Member/Owner and landlord to over 50 merchants that are also members and owners, I would like to present this letter of support of Arizona Electric Power Cooperative (AEPCCO) request to lower their rates. I support this initiative for the following reasons;

- Both Co-ops are member owned and not -for- profit
- It supports the cooperative principle to provide power at the lowest possible cost
- Our economy in rural Arizona is still trying to recover from the recession and every expense reduction aids in the recovery process
- The elected co-op director and board have made the decision to ask for the reduction in rates
- Out of state consultants do not have the best interest of rural Arizona at heart.

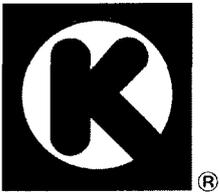
Your consideration in approving the rate decrease is the right thing to do for the people of rural Arizona.

Sincerely,



Kenneth R. Cecil
General Manager
The Mall at Sierra Vista

Cc: Docket Control



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John Shupe
Director of Finance
Circle K Stores Inc.



July 25, 2013

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Dear Commission,

On behalf of the Sierra Vista Area Chamber of Commerce, a Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative business customer, I am writing to support Arizona Electric Power Cooperative's request to lower its rates.

As Cochise County's largest business organization, the Chamber represents 622 area businesses and approximately 12,000 employees.

The ongoing defense cuts, coupled with sequestration and mandatory furlough days at Fort Huachuca and other government agencies, is having a direct impact on our local economy. Many area businesses are seeing a downward trend in revenue due to fewer spending dollars being available to local workers. Our restaurants and hotels in particular have been hit hard by the cuts.

We understand that the savings resulting from the proposed rate reduction would be passed on to SSVEC customers. These savings would be especially welcomed by businesses dealing with the consequences of the recession, in addition to sequestration.

As a membership organization, the Chamber also supports the cooperative principle to provide its services at the lowest possible cost.

Again, the Sierra Vista Area Chamber respectfully requests the Commission supports AEPCO's proposal for reduced rates.

Sincerely,

Amanda Baillie
Executive Director

Executive Officers

Michael Benson
Chairman
TDY Housing

DeeDee Hoeft
Past Chair
Wells Fargo Home
Mortgage

Rick Shelley
Chair Elect
Horizon Moving
Systems of Sierra Vista

Jack Blair
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Nathan Williams Law
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Ken Cecil
Mall at Sierra Vista

Elsie MacMillan
Sierra Toyota

Phil Vega
Sierra Vista Herald &
Bisbee Review

Glen Cobb
Sierra Suites

Mary Tieman
Arizona Workforce
Connection

Kevin Peterson
CGI

Jon Galchik
TASC



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Michael Lawrence
Chief Financial Officer

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Wayne M. Morrison
Chief Executive Office

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