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The Honorable Bob Stump, Chairman
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2927

RE: General Docket No. E-00000W-13-0135 / Town of Wickenburg Opposition to Implementation of Retail Electric Competition

Dear Chairman Stump:

Thank you for inviting public comment regarding the Arizona Corporation Commission's inquiry into retail electric competition. While the Town of Wickenburg commends the Commission's efforts to support economic development and remove barriers to making Arizona a more competitive state for business, we strongly oppose electric deregulation at this time.

The Town's opposition is twofold: first, the Town generally opposes any effort that may unnecessarily increase the cost of utilities for our residents, many of whom are served by entities regulated by the ACC.

Second, as a municipal electric provider that depends heavily on relationships with private electric companies to deliver reliable power to our customers, any effort by the ACC that may result in a cost increase to those private partners will likewise affect the Town's pricing and power availability.

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Again, the Town appreciates the Commission's consideration of this matter and is open to considering support of future proposals that do not dramatically affect the cost and reliability of power for our municipal and non-municipal resident customers.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John H. Cook". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent.

John H. Cook
Mayor

JHC/jhw

RESOLUTION NO. 1701

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF WICKENBURG, ARIZONA, OPPOSING
IMPLEMENTATION OF RETAIL ELECTRIC COMPETITION
IN ARIZONA

WHEREAS on May 9, 2013, the Arizona Corporation Commission opened a general inquiry into retail electric competition and on May 23, 2013, invited interested stakeholders and the public to provide comments on the matter; and

WHEREAS the Town of Wickenburg operates an electric utility which serves a portion of the community and is not regulated by the Arizona Corporation Commission; and

WHEREAS the remaining portion of Wickenburg is served electricity by Arizona Public Service Company, which is regulated by the Arizona Corporation Commission; and

WHEREAS an April 2013 study by the American Public Power Association, based on data compiled by the United States Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, showed that increases in retail electric prices are higher in states with deregulated electric markets than in regulated states; and

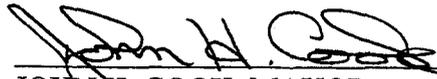
WHEREAS there exist concerns in Wickenburg about equity and fairness, the cost of deregulation, electrical generation and the purchase of wholesale power, and the reliability of electric service should retail electric competition be implemented in Arizona.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WICKENBURG, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Town of Wickenburg opposes implementation of retail electric competition in Arizona and respectfully requests the Arizona Corporation Commission to review available data from deregulated states before rendering a decision on the matter.

SECTION 2. The various Town officers and employees are authorized and directed to perform all acts necessary or desirable to give effect to this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Wickenburg, Arizona, this 5th day of August, 2013.



JOHN N. COOK, MAYOR

Date Signed: 8/5/13

ATTEST:

Gloria Leija
Gloria Leija, Interim Town Clerk

Date Signed: Aug 6, 2013

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kelly Y. Schwab
Kelly Y. Schwab, Town Attorney
Curtis, Goodwin, Sullivan, Udall & Schwab, P.L.C.

Number of Councilmembers Present: 6
Number of Votes For: 6
Number of Votes Against: 0
Number of Abstentions: 0

CERTIFICATION

I, Gloria Leija, Interim Town Clerk, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Common Council of the Town of Wickenburg, Arizona, a regular meeting held on the 5th day of August, 2013, and that a quorum was present at the meeting.

Gloria Leija
Gloria Leija, Interim Town Clerk