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Attn: Siting Committee Chairman Foreman  
ACC Chairman Bitter-Smith

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Dear Chairman Foreman and Bitter-Smith:

RE: Docket No: L-000008-15-0059-00170 (Price Road Corridor 230 W line) Case No. 170

I own a home along Germann Road. A year and a half ago, I was made aware of the possibility of SRP placing high voltage power lines along Germann/Dobson and Ellis roads. Since then, I have ardently urged SRP to find another solution, and have actively shown my disapproval to SRP in regards to this issue. I was relieved when SRP decided to pursue a route for these power lines off of private land, and on the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) land. I am writing you today to give my support to the GRIC route and asking that you approve SRP's proposed route that was filed with your commission.

There are many reasons why the GRIC route is a win/win solution for all involved. An important reason is that it disallows any precedent to be set in the state of Arizona, by putting high voltage power lines in built up, densely populated communities. There is a large impact to existing, densely populated communities, by these power lines. Home Value, aesthetics, decrease in business, and health issues are just a few reasons that a community would have to deal with. Most importantly, I did not choose to purchase my home near a high voltage power line. Building these types of lines near my home would be taking away my choice. High voltage power lines have traditionally been built along railroads, highways, open areas, undeveloped land, and canals, and this is where they belong.

The German Road community consists of thousands of multi-generational families that live here all year round. Chandler streets are beautiful, lined with wide roads, lush landscaping, picturesque neighborhoods, churches, schools, retail shops, restaurants, and public parks. It is no place for high voltage power lines. The power lines would adversely impact our street aesthetics, businesses, retail shopping, home values, and quality of living. The City of Chandler has carefully planned this area to make it appealing for residents. By choosing the GRIC route, SRP has made the right decision in allowing for the least impact to Germann road communities and will protect the City of Chandler's well-designed plans for our streets.

A community that will benefit from these power lines is GRIC. The placement of lines through GRIC has already been voted on and agreed to by the members of the tribe. They want these high voltage power lines on their lands. Their vote to allow the 230kV lines provides an economically challenged community a chance to have access to new technology. Allottees will financially benefit from SRP's addition of the 230kV power lines. This is a unique, positive opportunity for the members of the tribe. This is a true win for their community, as well.

As a summary, Germann Road is no place for high voltage power lines. These power lines would have a large, negative impact on our unique mixture of neighborhoods, churches, schools, businesses, and parks. GRIC is the right route for the power lines. Their community will benefit from them greatly. No state precedence will be set, as the lines will go along traditional routes. SRP made the right decision in choosing this route, and I am respectfully asking that you, Chairman Foreman, and the members of the ACC, make the right decision as well, and approve SRP's proposed route.

Sincerely,

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