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DCR Transmission, LLC
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To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.02 (A) and (C), DCR Transmission, LLC ("DCR Transmission") hereby submits its Ten West Link project ("Ten West Link" or "Ten West" or "Project") to the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") as its Ten Year Plan filing for the year 2016. The information requirements associated with A.R.S. §40-360.02 (C) are included as Appendix "A" to this filing.

The Ten West Link, formerly referred to as the Delaney-Colorado River Transmission Project, is a 114 mile long 500 kV overhead transmission connection between the Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") Delaney substation located in Tonopah, Arizona and the Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") Colorado River substation located in Riverside County, California, west of the City of Blythe. A map of the Project is attached at Appendix B.

The economic benefit of a new 500 kV transmission connection between the Delaney and Colorado River Substations was studied by the California Independent System Operator ("CAISO") as part of its 2013-2014 Transmission Plan. The Project demonstrated material economic benefits and was recommended for approval by the CAISO Board of Governors ("CAISO Board"). In July of 2014, the CAISO Board approved the Project. Following that approval, the CAISO conducted a Competitive Solicitation under FERC 1000 rules to select a Project Sponsor for line. On July 10, 2015, CAISO selected DCR Transmission as the preferred Project Sponsor, and the Approved Project Sponsor Agreement was executed on December 1st 2015.

Among other benefits, the Ten West Link will facilitate efficient and increased sharing of generation resources between Arizona and California, thereby improving the efficiency of the bulk transmission network. In addition to the evaluated economic benefits, the proposed Project will also provide the following:



- Enhanced operational flexibility
- Improved power system reliability
- Effective integration of renewable resources
- Increased diversity of supply under normal and emergency conditions; and
- Support for the implementation of the Energy Imbalance Market

The Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") will be acting as a lead federal agency for the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA") process and is overseeing the required Environmental Impact Study ("EIS"). DCR Transmission plans to prepare an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility to file with the ACC after a draft EIS becomes available. According to the Project schedule, this filing will likely be made in October 2016.

In accordance with the SCE and APS requirements for wire-to-wire interconnection, DCR Transmission has filed applications with both of these companies to study what facilities are required to successfully interconnect and integrate the Ten West Project into the existing bulk transmission network. In addition to working with the two interconnecting utilities, DCR Transmission will be participating in the Western Electricity Coordinating Council's ("WECC") Comprehensive Progress Report process. DCRT will also closely coordinate with siting authorities in both Arizona and California as the Project progresses. The Project will be regularly reviewed and discussed at regional planning forums such as WestConnect, the Southwest Area Subregional Transmission Planning Group ("SWAT") and SWAT's various subcommittees. The Project has been previously reviewed by the ACC as part of the 2014 8th Biennial Transmission Assessment.

This filing is intended to respond to the requirements of A.R.S. § 40-360.02 (A) and (C) as they might apply to Ten West Link and its related electric facilities currently under study. Depending on both the timing and nature of future developments, DCR Transmission may have occasion to file an amendment to this Ten Year Plan.

Additional information on the Ten West Link Project can be found at www.tenwestlink.com



Please direct any questions that may arise from this report to either Ali Amirali at (916) 740-0990 (aamirali@starwood.com) or to the undersigned at (713) 828-1810 (rweiss@starwood.com).

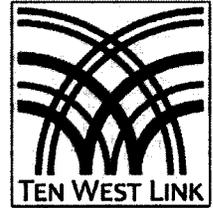
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Weiss".

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Appendices (2)

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APPENDIX "A"

Ten West Link A.R.S. §40-360.02 (C) Information Requirements



Appendix "A"
Information Requirements Pursuant to A.R.S. §40-360.02 (C)

40-360.02 (C) (1)

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40-360.02 (C) (2)

The purpose to be served by each proposed transmission line or plant

The purpose of the Project is primarily driven by the need to provide additional high-voltage electrical transmission infrastructure to increase the reliability of energy supply. The increase in supply enhances competition among energy suppliers, which reduces energy costs to customers. The proposed Project will have the capability to transmit [REDACTED] (MW) of electric supply, and the increase transfer capacity afforded by this Project will enable cost-effective energy dispatch in the southwestern US. During the 2013-2014 Transmission Planning Process, the CAISO justified the need for the Project based upon the economic benefits associated with enhancing the high-voltage transmission path between the Delaney and Colorado River substations. Though the Project was justified based upon its superior economic benefits, the Project will also increase:

- enhanced system economics for Arizona consumers
- economic benefits in the form of increased taxes and business development



- deliverability between Arizona and California
- service reliability for California and Arizona consumers
- operational flexibility for generation dispatch and renewable integration
- interconnection capability of new renewable projects proposing to locate near the Project
- transmission capacity needed to facilitate utility participation in the EIM

40-360.02 (C) (3)

The estimated date by which each transmission line or plant will be in operation.

Based on the current planning, the Project would be placed in service by [REDACTED].

40-360.02 (C) (4)

The average and maximum power output measured in megawatts of each plant to be installed

Not applicable

40-360.02 (C) (5)

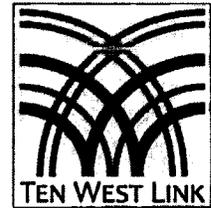
The expected capacity factor for each proposed plant

Not applicable

40-360.02 (C) (6)

The type of fuel to be used for each proposed plant

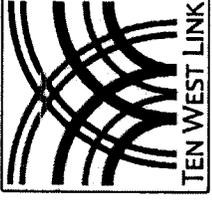
Not applicable



40-360.02 (C) (7)

The plans for any new facilities shall include a power flow and stability analysis report showing the effect on the current Arizona electric transmission system. Transmission owners shall provide the technical reports, analysis, or basis for projects that are included for serving customer load growth in their territories.

Power flow studies, stability studies, dynamic system modeling and short-circuit studies will be prepared as part of the interconnection studies to be performed by APS and SCE. The Project will coordinate and review these study findings with Commission Staff as they become available.



APPENDIX "B"

Ten West Link Study Area Map

