# BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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In the matter of the Application of Southline

Transmission, L.L.C., in conformance with the

requirements of Arizona Revised Statutes 40-

360, et seq., for a Certificate of Environmental

Compatibility authorizing construction of the

non-WAPA-owned Arizona portions of the Southline Transmission Project, including a

transmission line in Cochise County from the Arizona-New Mexico border to the proposed

Southline Apache Substation, the associated

facilities to connect the Southline Apache Substation to the adjacent AEPCO Apache

Substation, and approximately 5 miles of new 138-kV and 230-kV transmission lines and

associated facilities to connect the existing

Pantano, Vail, DeMoss Petrie, and Tortolita substations to the upgraded WAPA-owned 230-

transmission lines in Pima and Pinal counties.

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Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public, the parties, and the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee"), that the Committee will hold a public meeting/hearing on the above application that is open to the public at the DoubleTree by Hilton Tucson - Reid Park, 445 South Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ 85711, commencing on January 12, 2026, at 1:00 p.m., and will continue each weekday on January 13, 2026, through January 16, 2026, as necessary, at the same location beginning at 9:00 a.m. on each day, unless a tour is taken. If a tour is taken, it will begin an alternative date and time set by the Chairman of the Committee ("Chairman").

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Public comment will be taken in a special evening session on January 12, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. and may be taken at the beginning of each hearing day or at other times during the hearing at times designated by the Chairman. Unless later ordered by the Chairman,

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the hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. each day, except on January 12, 2026, when it will continue after 5:30 p.m. for the public comment session.

No tour of the Project area is planned by the Chairman at this time. If the Chairman or Committee later decides to conduct a tour, notice that includes a map and itinerary of any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project website at <a href="https://southlinetransmission.com/">https://southlinetransmission.com/</a> and the Arizona Corporation Commission's ("ACC") website at: <a href="https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/hearings-and-meetings">https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/hearings-and-meetings</a>.

The hearing may conclude earlier or later than anticipated, depending upon the number of parties that intervene, the amount of testimony presented, the amount of public comment, and the time needed for deliberations by the Committee. As a part of the public meeting/hearing, members of the Committee will discuss the potential value of a tour, and, at the discretion of the Chairman, may tour the location of the proposed project area as set forth above.

# THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPTION TO PARTICIPATE BY EITHER WATCHING THE MEETING ONLINE OR LISTENING TO THE MEETING VIA TELEPHONE.

At least 24 hours in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and telephone hearing access as well as any additional details regarding safety protocols or other revisions to the hearing schedule, will be posted on the Applicant's Project website at <a href="https://southlinetransmission.com/">https://southlinetransmission.com/</a> and ACC's website at <a href="https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule">https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule</a>. The Chairman may, at his discretion, recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. The date, time, and place at which the hearing will be resumed will be posted on the above-noted Project and ACC websites. NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH A RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING SESSION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., VIA TELEPHONE, ZOOM, OR IN PERSON AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON -

REID PARK, 445 SOUTH ALVERNON WAY, TUCSON, ARIZONA 85711. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH HEARING DAY, OR AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE HEARING, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.

THE PUBLIC CAN WATCH THE HEARING ONLINE, LISTEN TO THE HEARING VIA TELEPHONE, OR ATTEND IN PERSON.

At the public meeting/hearing, the Committee may consider, discuss, deliberate, and/or vote on the matters on the agenda. Items on the agenda may be taken in a different order than listed as conditions require:

- 1. Call to order;
- 2. Roll call;
- 3. Consideration of and vote upon any requests to intervene;
- 4. Hearing on the application;
- 5. Public comment at the discretion of the Chairman;
- 6. Discussion of potential value of a tour of the proposed route;
- 7. If it is decided a tour would be valuable, the Committee will meet at the hearing site. The members of the Committee will tour the project. Members of the public may follow the Committee's tour. No testimony or discussion with or between Committee members about the application or matters relating to the application will take place, except on the record before a court reporter at the designated stops. The Chairman will make any procedural decisions concerning stops at different points of interest;
- 8. Discussion of proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, the certificate of environmental compatibility, and conditions to the certificate of environmental compatibility;
- 9. Vote and decision concerning findings of fact, conclusions of law, the certificate of environmental compatibility, and conditions to the certificate of environmental compatibility;

## 10. Adjournment.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Carolyn Buck, voice phone number: (602) 542-3931, e-mail: CDBuck@azcc.gov. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation. All materials relating to the hearing, including any tour, may be found at the Docket Control of the ACC, 1200 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007, First Floor and on the ACC website eDocket at <a href="http://www.azcc.gov">http://www.azcc.gov</a>.

**DATED** this 28th day of November, 2025.

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