

1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT**
2 **AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

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4 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
5 OF SOLAR PEPPER POWER, LLC, IN
6 CONFORMANCE WITH THE
7 REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED
8 STATUTES 40-360, ET. SEQ., FOR
9 CERTIFICATES OF ENVIRONMENTAL
10 COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE
11 SERRANO SOLAR PROJECT GEN-TIE,
12 WHICH INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION
13 OF A NEW DOUBLE-CIRCUIT
14 TRANSMISSION LINE AND ASSOCIATED
15 FACILITIES ORIGINATING IN EITHER
16 PIMA OR PINAL COUNTY AND
17 INTERCONNECTING AT THE EXISTING
18 APS SAGUARO FACILITY AND/OR THE
19 EXISTING TEP TORTOLITA
20 SUBSTATION IN PINAL COUNTY,
21 ARIZONA.

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Case No. 196

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15 **NOTICE OF HEARING**

16 A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and
17 Transmission Line Siting Committee (“Committee”) regarding the Application of Solar Pepper
18 Power, LLC (“SPP” or “Applicant”) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility to
19 authorize the Serrano Gen-Tie Project (the “Project”). The Project consists of a new collection
20 substation located in Pima County and/or Pinal County and a double-circuit Gen-Tie that will
21 deliver electricity generated at the Serrano Solar and Storage Project to the regional grid at the
22 existing Arizona Public Service (“APS”) Saguaro Facility and/or the existing Tucson Electric
23 Power (“TEP”) Tortolita Substation. A map of the Project is attached as **Exhibit A**.

24 The hearing will commence at the Embassy Suites Paloma Village, 3110 E.
25 Skyline Drive, Tucson, Arizona 85718 on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 1:00 p.m., and
26 will continue on December 1, 2021 and December 2, 2021, as necessary, beginning at
27 9:00 a.m. on each day through the completion of the hearing. If any revisions to the
28 hearing schedule are required, they will be noticed on the Project website at:

1 longroadenergy.com/serrano-gen-tie-project and on the Arizona Corporation Commission
2 (“ACC”) website at: <https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule>.

3 **PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING**
4 **SESSION ON NOVEMBER 30, 2021, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., VIA**
5 **TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON AT THE EMBASSY SUITES PALOMA**
6 **VILLAGE. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF**
7 **EACH HEARING DAY, OR AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE HEARING, AT**
8 **THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE.**

9 **PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ALL LOCAL AND STATE PUBLIC**
10 **HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES REGARDING COVID-19 WILL BE**
11 **FOLLOWED DURING THE HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION.**
12 **FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC ACCESS, ADDITIONAL SAFETY**
13 **PROTOCOLS, AND REVISIONS TO THE HEARING SCHEDULE MAY**
14 **OCCUR DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS.**

15 **THE PUBLIC IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE BY**
16 **EITHER WATCHING THE HEARING ONLINE OR LISTENING TO THE**
17 **HEARING VIA TELEPHONE, RATHER THAN ATTENDING IN PERSON.**

18 At least 24 hours in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and
19 telephone hearing access, as well as any additional details regarding COVID-19 safety
20 protocols or other revisions to the hearing schedule will be noticed on the Project website
21 at longroadenergy.com/serrano-gen-tie-project. The Chairman may, at his discretion,
22 recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be
23 determined after the recess. The date, time and place at which the hearing will be
24 resumed will be posted on the above-noted Project website and the ACC website.

25 **NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN;**
26 **HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT**
27 **REQUIRED.**

28 No tour of the Project Area is planned by the Chairman at this time. If the
Chairman or Committee later decide to conduct a tour, notice that includes a map and

1 itinerary of any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project
2 website at longroadenergy.com/serrano-gen-tie-project and the ACC website at:
3 <https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule>.

4 Maps of the Project site and detailed information about project facilities and
5 technology are contained in the Application, which is available for inspection at the
6 following locations:

- 7 • ACC Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office, located at 1200 West
8 Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007;
- 9 • Wheeler Taft Library-7800 N. Schisler Drive, Tucson, AZ 85743
- 10 • Oro Valley Library- 1305 W. Naranja Dr, Oro Valley, AZ 85737
- 11 • Eloy Santa Cruz, Pinal County Library- 1000 N Main Street, Eloy, AZ
12 85131
- 13 • The Project website: longroadenergy.com/serrano-gen-tie-project

14 The Applicant will make available final copies of the pre-filing conference, pre-
15 hearing conference, and hearing transcripts at each of the above locations and website.

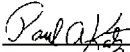
16 Each county, municipal government, and state agency interested in the Project that
17 desires to be a party to the proceedings shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date
18 set for the hearing, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities,
19 Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona
20 85007.

21 Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part to
22 promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or
23 other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to
24 represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the
25 area in which the Project is to be located desiring to become a party to the proceedings
26 shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for the hearing, file a Notice of Intent
27 to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200
28 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

1 The Committee or the Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other
2 persons parties to the proceedings. Any person may make a limited appearance at a
3 hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Docket Control of the Arizona
4 Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, and
5 the Chairman of the Committee at 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85007,
6 not less than five days (5) before the date set for the hearing. A person making a limited
7 appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine
8 witnesses.

9 This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") Sections 40-
10 360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code ("AAC") R14-3-201 to R14-3-220.
11 No substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of
12 the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the ACC
13 pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party to the proceedings on
14 these matters before the ACC must be a party to the proceedings before the Committee.

15 ORDERED this 20th day of October, 2021.

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20 Paul A. Katz, Chairman
21 Arizona Power Plant and Transmission
22 Line Siting Committee
23 Assistant Attorney General
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1 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

2 Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-204, the **ORIGINAL** of the foregoing and 25 copies were
3 filed this 20 day of October, 2021 with:

4 Utilities Division – Docket Control
5 Arizona Corporation Commission
6 1200 West Washington Street
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