## **BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER
COMPANY IN CONFORMANCE WITH
THE REQUIREMENTS OF A.R.S. § 40-360,
ET. SEQ., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY
AUTHORIZING THE NORTHWEST
MARANA RELIABILITY PROJECT,
WHICH INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION
OF A NEW 138 KV TRANSMISSION LINE
AND SWITCHYARD WITHIN THE TOWN
OF MARANA, UNINCORPORATED PIMA
COUNTY, AND UNINCORPORATED
PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000C-25-0094-00246

Case No. 246

**NOTICE OF HEARING** 

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility ("Certificate") to authorize construction of a new 138 kilovolt ("kV") transmission line and associated switchyard in the town of Marana and unincorporated Pima County and Pinal County, Arizona called the Northwest Marana Reliability Project ("Project").

19 The Project will involve the construction of a new, approximately half-mile, 20 single-circuit 138 kV transmission line segment from the planned Grier Substation to a 21 138 kV line north of the substation along West Marana Road built in partnership with 22 Arizona Electric Power Cooperative ("AEPCO"). Additionally, TEP would construct 23 an approximately 7-9 mile, double-circuit 138 kV transmission line segment connecting 24 the Grier Substation to the planned Owl Head Ranch Switchyard, which would be 25 located on about 15 acres east of Interstate 10 on North Owl Head Ranch Road. A map 26 of the Project is attached as **Exhibit A**.

The hearing will be held at the Northwest Fire District Training Center, 5125 W.
Camino de Fuego, Tucson, AZ 85743. The hearing will begin on Monday, June 16,

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2025, at 1:00 p.m., and will continue on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., and
then will continue as necessary through Friday, June 20, 2025, beginning at 9:00
a.m. each day through the completion of the hearing. If any revisions to the hearing
schedule are required, they will be noticed on the Project webpage at:
https://www.tep.com/northwest-marana/, and on the Arizona Corporation Commission
("Commission") website at: https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/hearings-and-meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING
SESSION ON MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., VIA
TELEPHONE, ZOOM, OR IN PERSON AT THE NORTHWEST FIRE
DISTRICT TRAINING CENTER, 5125 W. CAMINO DE FUEGO, TUCSON, AZ
85743. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF
EACH HEARING DAY OR AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE HEARING, AT
THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN.

15 PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ALL LOCAL AND STATE PUBLIC
16 HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED DURING THE
17 HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION. RESTRICTIONS ON
18 PUBLIC ACCESS, SAFETY PROTOCOLS, AND REVISIONS TO THE
19 HEARING SCHEDULE MAY OCCUR DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH
20 CONSIDERATIONS.

21 THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPTION TO WATCH THE HEARING 22 **ONLINE OR LISTEN TO THE HEARING VIA TELEPHONE.** At least 24 hours 23 in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and telephone hearing access, 24 as well as any additional details regarding safety protocols or other revisions to the 25 will hearing schedule be noticed on the Project webpage at 26 https://www.tep.com/northwest-marana/.

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
 webpage and the Commission website.

## NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH A RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

6 If the Committee decides to conduct a tour, notice that includes a map and 7 itinerary of any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project and 8 Commission websites. Members of the public may follow the Committee on the tour. 9 During the tour, the Committee may hear testimony at stops on the tour concerning 10 what is visible at stops and the relevance of the location and view to the Project. No 11 other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur during the tour. 12 A court reporter or recording device will record any testimony taken on the tour for 13 transcription. Public health and safety protocols specific for the tour will be included 14 on the itinerary. If the Committee decides not to take a tour, the hearing will continue 15 as scheduled.

16 Maps of the Project site and detailed information about Project facilities are
17 contained in the Application, which is available for inspection at the following
18 locations:

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1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix AZ 85007
Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr Library, 7800 N. Schisler Dr., Tucson, AZ 85743

Commission Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office,

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• The Project webpage: <u>https://www.tep.com/northwest-marana/</u>

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

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Marana Municipal Complex, 11555 W. Civic Center Dr, Marana, AZ 85653

Marana Senior Center, 13250 N. Lon Adams Road, Marana, AZ 85653

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

5 Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part 6 to promote conservation or natural beauty; to protect the environment, personal health 7 or other biological values; to preserve historical sites; to promote consumer interests; 8 to represent commercial and industrial groups; or to promote the orderly development 9 of the area in which the Project are located that desires to become a party to the 10 proceedings shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for the hearing, file a 11 Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, Commission, 1200 12 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007.

The Committee or the Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make
other persons parties to the proceedings. Any person may make a limited appearance at
a hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Director of the Utilities Division,
Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007, and the Chairman of
the Committee at 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004, not less than five
(5) days before the date set for the hearing. A person making a limited appearance will
not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") §§ 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-3-201 to R14-3-220. No substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the Commission pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party to the proceeding on the matter before the Commission must be a party to the proceeding before the Committee.

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ORDERED this 2nd day of May, 2025. Adam Stafford, Chairman Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee Assistant Attorney General 

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2	Copy e-filed this 6 <sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025,
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