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

In the Matter of the Application of Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. or its assignees, in conformance with requirements of A.R.S. § 40-360 et. seq., Certificate of Environmental Compatibility Authorizing the APS Bagdad Interconnect 115 kV Transmission Line, which includes the construction of a new 1mile 115-kV Transmission Line and the Modification of the existing Bagdad Substation located near Bagdad, Yavapai County, Arizona.

Case No. 179

Docket No. L-00000K-18-0213-00179

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## **AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING**

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("Applicant" or "AEPCO") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility ("CEC") authorizing the construction of a new one (1) mile 115 kV transmission line, located on property solely owned by Freeport-McMoRan Bagdad, Inc., in Yavapai County, Arizona ("APS to Bagdad Interconnect Project").

Construction of the proposed Project will connect AEPCO's Bagdad Substation to an existing Arizona Public Service ("APS") transmission line. The purpose of the Project is to provide mutual backup power and system reliability for APS's electrical loads in the Town of Bagdad, and for AEPCO's cooperative member Mohave Electric Cooperative Inc.'s electrical loads west of Bagdad.

The hearing will be held at Wickenburg Community Center, 160 N. Valentine Street, Wickenburg, Arizona 85390. The hearing shall begin at 1:00 p.m. on October 3, 2018 and adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. The Committee may coordinate a tour of the Project area. If a tour is conducted, it will commence at 8:00 a.m. on

October 4, 2018 at the Wickenburg Community Center. The map and itinerary of any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project's website. During the tour, the Committee may hear testimony at stops on the tour concerning the stop's location, what is visible at the stop, and the relevance of the location to the Application and Projects. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur during the tour. A court reporter or reporting device will record any testimony taken on the tour for transcripts. The hearing will resume when the tour is concluded, on the afternoon of October 4, 2018.

If no tour is conducted, the hearing shall continue at 9:00 a.m. on October 4, 2018. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Project and Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") websites. The Applicant's Project website can be found at <a href="https://www.azgt.coop/electricity-generation-and-transmission/current-transmission-projects/">https://www.azgt.coop/electricity-generation-and-transmission/current-transmission-projects/</a>. The ACC website is: <a href="http://www.azcc.gov/AZ\_Power\_Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp.">http://www.azcc.gov/AZ\_Power\_Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp.</a>

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN DURING A SPECIAL EVENING SESSION ON OCTOBER 3, 2018 BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE WICKENBURG COMMUNITY CENTER, 160 N. VALENTINE STREET, WICKENBURG, ARIZONA 85390. PUBLIC COMMENT ALSO MAY BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH HEARING DAY, OR AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE HEARING, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE.

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's website and the ACC website. NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; HOWEVER, PUBLISHED

The Chairman of the Committee may, at his discretion, recess the hearing to a

NOTICE OF SUCH A RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

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Maps and detailed information about the Project are contained in the Application, which is available for inspection at the following locations:

- ACC On-Line Docket
- ACC Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix Arizona 85007
- ACC Tucson Office, 400 West Congress Street #22, Tucson, Arizona 85701
- Bagdad Public Library, 700 Palo Verde # C, Bagdad, Arizona 86321
- The Project's website.

Applicant will make available final copies of the prefiling meeting, prehearing conference(s) and hearing transcripts at each of the above locations and on the Project's website.

Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before October 3, 2018, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of the Utilities Division, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before October 3, 2018, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of the Utilities Division, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceedings. Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Director of the Utilities

Division, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before October 3, 2018. A person making a limited appearance shall 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 Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-220 and R14-3-113. No substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee shall be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to A.R.S. §40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

ORDERED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018.

Thomas K. Chenal, Chairman Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee Assistant Attorney General