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BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND  
TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON  
COMPANY AND ITS ASSIGNEES IN  
CONFORMANCE WITH THE  
REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED  
STATUTES SECTIONS 40-360.03 AND  
40-360.06 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY  
AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF A  
500kV ALTERNATING CURRENT  
TRANSMISSION LINE AND RELATED  
FACILITIES IN MARICOPA AND LA PAZ  
COUNTIES IN ARIZONA ORIGINATING  
AT THE HARQUAHALA GENERATING  
STATION SWITCHYARD IN WESTERN  
MARICOPA COUNTY AND  
TERMINATING AT THE DEVERS  
SUBSTATION IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY,  
CALIFORNIA

Docket No. L-00000A-06-0295-00130

Case No. 130

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Palo Verde Hub to Devers No. 2 500kV Transmission Project ("Project") in Maricopa County and La Paz County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at The Wigwam Resort, 300 Wigwam Blvd., Litchfield, Park, Arizona 85340 (623-935-3811), beginning on June 26, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. and continuing on June 27, 2006, at 9:30 a.m. The hearings will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Project and Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") websites. The Project website is [www.sce.com/powerandenvironment/goalsandimprovements/dpv2](http://www.sce.com/powerandenvironment/goalsandimprovements/dpv2). The ACC website is [www.cc.state.az.us/utility/electric/linesiting-calendar.htm](http://www.cc.state.az.us/utility/electric/linesiting-calendar.htm). Additional materials can be found at the following websites:  
[www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/aspenn/dpv2/dpv2.htm](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/aspenn/dpv2/dpv2.htm)  
[www.cpuc.ca.gov/proceedings/A0504015.htm](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/proceedings/A0504015.htm)  
[www.cpuc.ca.gov/proceedings/I0506041.htm](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/proceedings/I0506041.htm)  
[www.blm.gov/ca/palmsprings](http://www.blm.gov/ca/palmsprings)

1 Public comment will be taken at the beginning of each hearing day. Public comment  
2 also will be taken in a special evening session on June 26, 2006 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at  
3 The Wigwam Resort, 300 Wigwam Blvd., Litchfield Park, Arizona.

4 The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area, proposed route and sub-  
5 alternative route on a future date. The map and itinerary for the tour will be available at  
6 the hearings and posted on the Project website. Members of the public may follow the  
7 Committee in their own private vehicles. During any tour, the Committee will not  
8 discuss or deliberate in any manner concerning the Application.

9 A general location map of the Project study area, Applicant's Proposed Route and  
10 Alternative Routes are set forth below.

### 11 **Proposed Route**

12 The Arizona portion of the Project would consist of the construction of 102 miles  
13 of 500kV transmission line from the Harquahala Generating Station Switchyard (Line  
14 Siting Case No. 96) to the Colorado River, as illustrated in Figure 1. The transmission  
15 line would exit the Harquahala Generating Station Switchyard located in Maricopa  
16 County, Section 31, Township 2 North, Range 8 West and parallel the existing  
17 Harquahala-Hassayampa 500kV line (Line Siting Case No. 96) in an easterly direction  
18 for approximately 5 miles within a 1,000-foot-wide corridor centered on the existing line.

19 The remainder of the Project would be located within a nominal 130-foot-wide  
20 right-of-way on BLM and state land and a nominal 160-foot wide right-of-way on private  
21 land adjacent to the existing Devers to Palo Verde No. 1 500kV transmission line  
22 ("DPV1") (Line Siting Case Nos. 34 and 48) right-of-way. The Project right-of-way will  
23 be to the west and south of the DPV1 right-of-way east of Copper Bottom Pass, and on  
24 the east and north side of the DPV1 right-of-way between Copper Bottom Pass and the  
25 Colorado River.

26 At a point 5 miles east of the Harquahala Generating Station where the route meets  
the DPV1 transmission line, the route would then turn north and parallel DPV1 for  
approximately 2.7 miles to Interstate 10 ("I-10"), where it would cross I-10 and proceed  
to a point 1 mile northwest of Burnt Mountain. The route would then turn west and  
roughly parallel the I-10 and Central Arizona Project ("CAP") Canal for approximately  
20 miles through the Big Horn Mountains and across the Harquahala Plain to a point 0.5  
mile north of I-10. The route would then turn southwest, crossing I-10, and proceed  
approximately 5 miles to intersect the El Paso Natural Gas Company's existing pipeline  
just north of its Wenden Pump Station north of the Eagletail Mountains. The route would

1 then parallel the El Paso Natural Gas pipeline and DPV1 line for approximately 56 miles,  
2 crossing the Ranegras Plain, through approximately 25 miles of the Kofa National  
3 Wildlife Refuge ("NWR"), La Posa Plain, and Arizona State Highway 95, through the  
4 Dome Rock Mountains to the summit of Copper Bottom Pass. The route would then turn  
5 southwest away from the pipeline, descending the western slope of the Dome Rock  
6 Mountains and proceed approximately 9 miles to a crossing of the Colorado River in La  
7 Paz County, Section 5, Township 2 North, Range 22 West.

8 An additional interconnection option is to originate the line at a new Harquahala  
9 Junction Switchyard (Line Siting Case No. 128) located in the southwest quarter of  
10 Section 25, Township 2 North, Range 8 West rather than at the Harquahala Generating  
11 Station Switchyard. If this interconnection option is used, the Applicant will not  
12 construct the 5 miles of 500kV line parallel to the existing Harquahala-Hassayampa  
13 500kV line.

#### 14 **Harquahala-West Subalternate Route**

15 This subalternate route would exit the Harquahala Generating Station Switchyard  
16 directly to the west for 12 miles within a 1,000-foot-wide corridor centered on section  
17 lines, beginning on the section line between Sections 30 and 31 in Township 2 North,  
18 Range 8 West, and ending at the section line between Sections 29 and 32 in Township 2  
19 North, Range 10 West. This sub-alternate route would then follow the El Paso Natural  
20 Gas pipeline corridor northwest for 9 miles to its intersection with the Proposed Route.  
21 This portion of the sub-alternate route would be located in a designated BLM utility  
22 corridor within a 130-foot-wide right-of-way adjacent to the north of the existing pipeline  
23 right-of-way.

#### 24 **Palo Verde Subalternate Route**

25 The Palo Verde Sub-alternate Route would originate at the Palo Verde Nuclear  
26 Generating Station ("PVNGS") Switchyard (Line Siting Case Nos. 22 and 24) in  
Maricopa County, Section 34, Township 1 North, Range 6 West, rather than at the  
Harquahala Generating Station Switchyard. This alternative would require the  
construction of an additional 10 miles of 500kV transmission line parallel to the DPV1  
transmission line on the east and north of the DPV1 right-of-way to the PVNGS  
switchyard. The majority of this alternative will be within a BLM designated corridor.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the  
proposed and alternative alignments are available in the Application itself and on the

1 Project website. The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on  
2 file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West  
3 Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Copies of the Application also  
4 are available for inspection at the following locations:

5 Buckeye Public Library  
6 310 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
7 Buckeye, Arizona 85326  
8 (623) 386-2778

9 and

10 Quartzsite Public Library  
11 465 N. Plymouth Avenue  
12 Quartzsite, Arizona 85346  
13 (928) 927-6593

14 Depending on the issues raised and the number of interveners appearing during the  
15 hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a  
16 time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess.  
17 These dates and places will be posted on the Project and ACC websites. At the discretion  
18 of the Committee, such resumed hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated  
19 by the Committee or its Chairman.

20 **NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN.**  
21 **PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.**

22 Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed  
23 Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days  
24 before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation  
25 Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007, a notice of its intent to  
26 be a party.

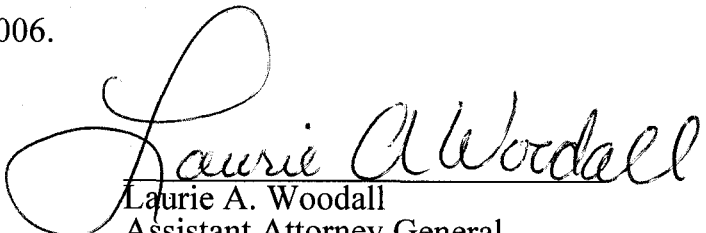
Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to  
promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or  
other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to  
represent commercial and industrial 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 the date set for hearing,  
file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West  
Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

1 The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other  
2 persons parties to the proceedings.

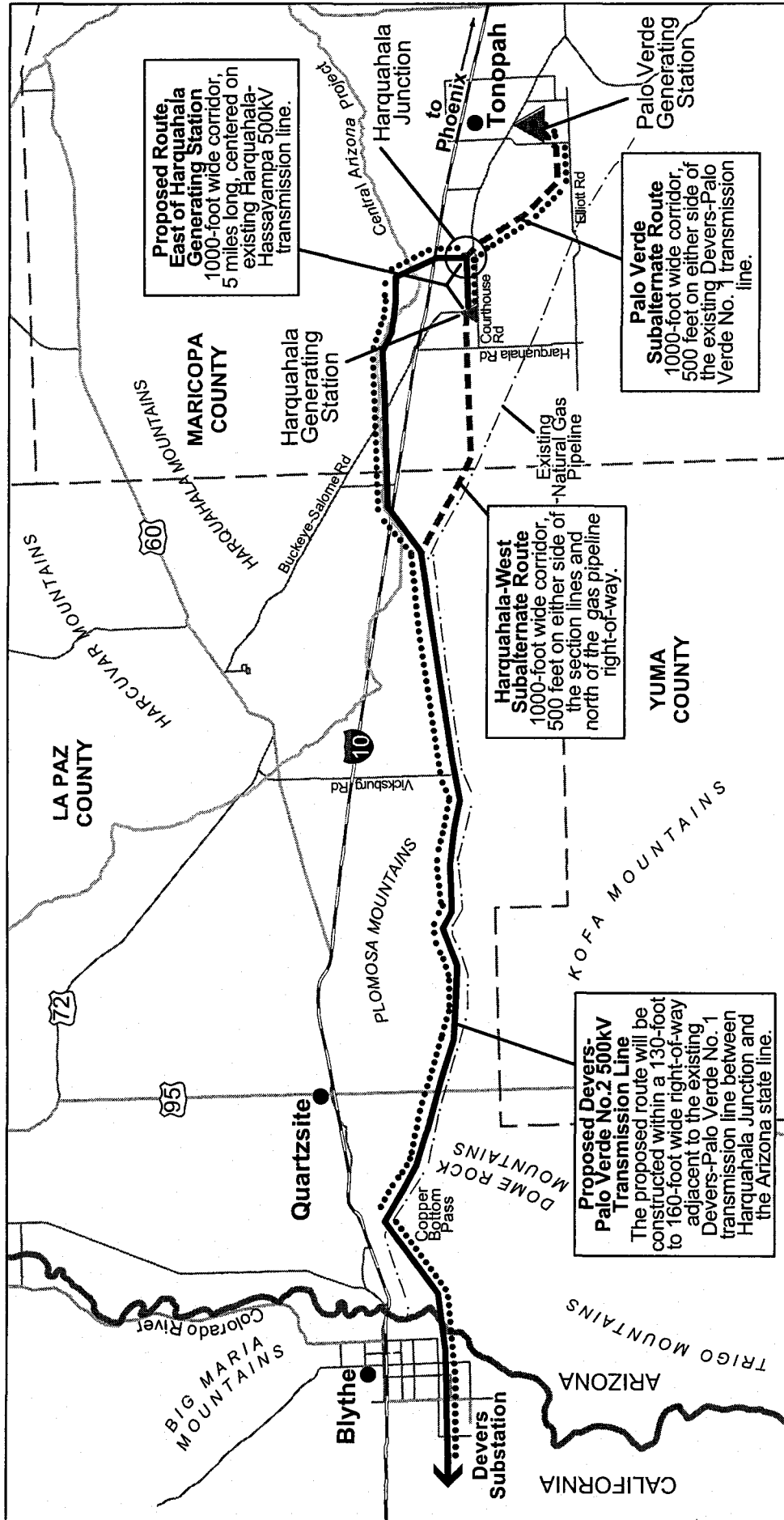
3 Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by filing a statement in  
4 writing with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West  
5 Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before the date set for  
6 hearing. A person making a limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to  
7 present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

8 This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") §§ 40-360 to 40-  
9 360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code ("AAC") Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-219. This  
10 proceeding is also subject to the *ex parte* rules, including the proposed amendments to  
11 AAC R14-3-113 and R14-3-220 currently under review by the Attorney General. No  
12 substantive communication relative to this proceeding not on the public record may be  
13 made to a member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee shall be  
14 submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any  
15 person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a  
16 party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

17 ORDERED, this 2 day of May, 2006.

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Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and  
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### Devers - Palo Verde No. 2 500kV Transmission Project

- Proposed Devers-Harquahala 500kV Transmission Line Route
- Subalternate Route
- Existing (500kV) Transmission Line

