

## ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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(Phoenix) Arizona utilities presented their "Summer Preparedness Plans" before the Arizona Corporation Commission in a special workshop. Those plans include the companies' estimated peak demands, a summary of their resources available to meet those demands, along with emergency and communications plans in the event of an outage.

"Ensuring the safety and reliability of utility services is our top priority," said Chairman Tom Forese. "As we move into the summer months, lives depend on the utilities' preparedness to handle the demand. We set the bar high and this workshop shows that overall the utilities are working hard to meet our standards and the customers' needs."

Arizona Public Service Electric (APS), Tucson Electric Power (TEP), UniSource Energy Services (UNS), Salt River Project (SRP), Transwestern Pipeline Company LLC, Kinder Morgan, and the electric cooperatives all presented gave presentations before the Commission.

Arizona utilities are projecting a higher peak demand this year. APS is projecting a peak load of 7,023 MW with 8162 MW resources available. TEP and UNS are forecasting peak demand of 2815 MW with 3349 MW available, SPR is estimates peak at 7,000 MW with 8902 available.

Established by Article 15 of the state's constitution, the Arizona Corporation Commission is responsible for the regulation of public utilities, overseeing the incorporation or registration of companies wishing to do business in Arizona. Additionally, the Corporation Commission registers and oversees securities offerings and dealers, and enforces railroad and pipeline safety. The five commissioners that make up the Commission are elected by the people of Arizona for a four-year term, with the option of serving for two consecutive terms. To learn more about the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Commissioners, please check out <a href="http://www.azcc.gov/Divisions/Administration/about.asp">http://www.azcc.gov/Divisions/Administration/about.asp</a>