IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF RANEGRAS PLAINS ENERGY CENTER, LLC, OR ITS ASSIGNEES, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF A.R.S. § 40-360, ET SEQ., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE RANEGRAS PLAINS ENERGY CENTER 500 KV TRANSMISSION LINE.

Docket No. L-21344A-24-0273-00243

Case No. 243

NOTICE OF HEARING

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A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Ranegras Plains Energy Center, LLC ("Applicant") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility to authorize construction of the Ranegras Plains Energy Center 500 kV Transmission Line Project ("Project").

The Project will involve the construction of a new 500 kV transmission line, approximately eleven miles in length, originating at the proposed Ranegras Plains Energy Center solar array and battery energy storage system and terminating at the Ten West Link Transmission Line series compensation station owned by DCR Transmission, LLC all in La Paz County, Arizona. A general route map of the Project is attached as **Exhibit A**.

The hearing will be held at the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007. The hearing will begin on Monday, February 10, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., and will continue on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and then will continue, as necessary, on Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. and Friday, February 14, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. If any revisions to the hearing schedule are required, they will be noticed on the Project website at: https://ranegrasplainsenergycenter.com/, and on the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") website at: https://azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/hearings-and-meetings.

SESSION ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., VIA TELEPHONE, ZOOM, OR IN PERSON AT THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION, 1200 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, PHOENIX, AZ 85007. PUBLIC COMMENT 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.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING

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

THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPTION TO WATCH THE HEARING ONLINE OR LISTEN TO THE HEARING VIA TELEPHONE. At least 24 hours in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and telephone hearing access, as well as any additional details regarding safety protocols or other revisions to the hearing schedule will be noticed on the Project website at https://ranegrasplainsenergycenter.com/.

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 website and the Commission website.

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

If the Committee decides to conduct a tour, notice that includes a map and itinerary of any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project and Commission websites. Members of the public may follow the Committee on the tour. During the tour, the Committee may hear testimony at stops on the tour concerning what is visible at stops

and the relevance of the location and view to the Project. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur during the tour. A court reporter or recording device will record any testimony taken on the tour for transcription. Public health and safety protocols specific for the tour will be included on the itinerary. If the Committee decides not to take a tour, the hearing will continue as scheduled.

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

- Arizona Corporation Commission Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office,
 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix AZ 85007
- The Project website: https://ranegrasplainsenergycenter.com/
- Quartzsite Public Library, PO Box 2812, Quartzsite, AZ 85346
- Centennial Public Library, PO Box 309, Salome, AZ 85348

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

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, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007.

Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part to promote conservation or 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 located that desires to become 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, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 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 Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007, and the Chairman of the Committee at 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85007, 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. ORDERED this 23rd day of December, 2024.

Adam Stafford, Chairman

Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee Assistant Attorney General

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Exhibit A

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