BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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3 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE 4 COMPANY IN CONFORMANCE WITH

COMPANY, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA

REVISED STATUTES 40-360, ET SEQ.,

FOR CERTIFICATES OF

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY FOR THE WESTWING 230 KILOVOLT

(KV) INTERCONNECTION PROJECT,

8 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE

CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-

CIRCUIT 230KV TRANSMISSION LINE ORIGINATING AT THE WESTWING

10 SUBSTATION (SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST) AND

11 TERMINATING AT THE PLANNED AES

12 BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM

² | SUBSTATION (SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 4 , | NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST), LOCATED IN

PEORIA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA.

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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 Arizona Public Service Company (APS or Applicant) for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility (CECs) authorizing construction of the Westwing 230kV Interconnection Project (the Project) (the Application). The Project consists of a new single-circuit 230kV transmission line, approximately 0.5-mile in length, that will start at the Westwing Substation and terminate at the planned AES Battery Energy Storage Project Substation. The 230kV transmission line will connect the AES Corporation Energy Storage Project to the regional transmission grid. A map of the Project is attached as Exhibit A.

The hearing on the Application will be held at the **DoubleTree by Hilton Phoenix North** located at 10220 North Metro Parkway East, Phoenix, Arizona 85051.

The hearing will commence on August 23, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. and continue on August 24, 2021 through August 27, 2021, commencing at 9:00 a.m. each day as necessary through the completion of the hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING SESSION ON AUGUST 23, 2021, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., VIA TELEPHONE, ZOOM, OR IN PERSON, AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON PHOENIX NORTH LOCATED AT 10220 NORTH METRO PARKWAY EAST, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85051. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY ALSO 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.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION WILL FOLLOW CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC), STATE AND LOCAL GUIDELINES ADDRESSING COVID-19. FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC ACCESS, ADDITIONAL SAFETY PROTOCOLS, AND REVISIONS TO THE HEARING SCHEDULE MAY OCCUR DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS.

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE PUBLIC IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE BY EITHER WATCHING THE MEETING ONLINE OR LISTENING TO THE MEETING VIA TELEPHONE, RATHER THAN ATTENDING IN PERSON.

At least 24 hours in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and telephone hearing access as well as any additional details regarding COVID-19 safety protocols or other revisions to the hearing schedule, will be posted on the Project website at https://www.aps.com/westwingproject and on the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) website at https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-

schedule. Messages can be left at (623) 303-3796 and the call will be returned with information regarding hearing details as requested. 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 ACC website.

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

No tour of the Project area is planned by the Chairman at this time. If the Chairman or Committee later decide 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 website at https://www.aps.com/westwingproject and the ACC website at: https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule.

Maps and detailed information about the Project are contained in the Application, which is available at the Project website at https://www.aps.com/westwingproject. The Application can also be accessed on the ACC website, https://www.azcc.gov. Select "Cases and Open Meetings," select "Find a Case in eDocket," select "Search," select "Docket Search," and then insert the Company Name and Docket Number or Year-Matter. Messages can be left at (623) 303-3796 requesting information for alternative access to the Application. The Project information will be also be available at the Sunrise Mountain Library, 21109 N. 98th Ave, Peoria, AZ 85382 and the Asante Library, 16755 W. Vereda Solana Dr., Surprise, AZ 85387. The Applicant will make available final copies of the prehearing conference and hearing transcripts on the Project and ACC websites referenced above.

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 days before August 23, 2021, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, ACC, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

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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 days before August 23, 2021, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, ACC, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 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, ACC, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five days before August 23, 2021. 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 A.R.S. §§ 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-220. Substantive communication not in the public record may not 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 ACC must be a party to the proceeding before the Committee.

ORDERED this 14th day of July 2021.

<u>/s/</u>

Thomas K. Chenal, Chairman Arizona Power Plant and

Transmission Line Siting Committee

Assistant Attorney General

1 2 **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** 3 Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-204, the ORIGINAL of the foregoing and 26 copies were filed this / day of July, 2021 with: 4 5 **Utilities Division - Docket Control** 6 **Arizona Corporation Commission** 1200 West Washington Street 7 Phoenix, AZ 85007 8 **COPIES** of the above mailed this / day of July, 2021 to: 9 10 Robin Mitchell, General Counsel Arizona Corporation Commission 11 1200 W. Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 12 RMitchell@azcc.gov 13 Counsel for Legal Division Staff 14 Elijah Abinah, Director **Utilities Division** 15 Arizona Corporation Commission 16 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 17 18 Marta T. Hetzer Coash & Coash, Inc. 19 1802 North 7th Street Phoenix, Arizona 85006 20 mh@coashandcoash.com 21 Court Reporter 22 Meghan H. Grabel 23 Osborn Maledon PA 2929 North Central Ave., Suite 2100 24 Phoenix, Arizona 85012-2765 mgrabel@omlaw.com 25 Attorneys for AES Corporation 26 27

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EXHIBIT A

