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Mr. Stephen Brophy, Chairman
Arizona Power Authority
1810 West Adams Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2697

RE: Retention of Outside Legal Counsel

Dear Chairman Brophy:

On behalf of our clients Aguila Irrigation District, Electrical District Number Eight, Harquahala Valley Power District, McMullen Valley Water Conservation & Drainage District, Tonopah Irrigation District and the City of Safford, we are writing to express support for the Arizona Power Authority's ("APA") hiring and continued use of outside legal counsel. We are aware that the Arizona Attorney General's Office ("AG") has recently suggested that the AG should be the APA's sole legal advisor and representative. We believe that opinion is incorrect and would not serve the best interests of the State, the APA, or its customers.

As you fully appreciate, the APA has a statutory duty to manage and protect Arizona's share of the Hoover resource. The myriad legal issues associated with the allocation, contracting, generation, and transmission of that resource are extremely complex and continue to evolve over time, requiring specialized knowledge and expertise. The APA has for decades correctly relied on outside legal advisors who have the specialized experience to handle such matters. The vast majority of APA customers who ultimately pay for this representation have always supported this practice and continue to do so.

We believe it would be a disservice to Arizona's interests if the APA were prevented from consulting with outside legal experts, and we urge the APA Commissioners to strongly oppose any efforts to that effect.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions regarding the foregoing.

Respectfully,



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