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OPEN MEETING AGENDA ITEM

December 3, 2025,

To: Arizona Corporation Commission

1200 W. Washington Street

Phoenix, AZ 85007

From: Matthew Fish, Community Development Director of Apache County

RE: Request to Deny Application for Generation Tie Transmission Line — CG

Apache County Solar LLC & CG Apache County Wind LLC

To the Honorable Members of the Arizona Corporation Commission:

I am writing in my capacity as the Apache County Community Development Director regarding the hearing scheduled for December 3, 2025, in which the Commission will consider the application submitted by CG Apache County Solar LLC and CG Apache County Wind LLC to construct a "Generation Tie Transmission Line, with Associated Interconnection Facilities, within Apache County, Arizona."

It is the position of Apache County Community Development that these applicants should first seek and obtain a recommendation from the Apache County Planning and Zoning Commission and subsequent approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) by the Apache County Board of Supervisors prior to pursuing approval from the Arizona Corporation Commission for construction of the proposed Generation Tie Line.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 11-802(A):

"The board of supervisors of a county, in order to conserve and promote the public health, safety, convenience and general welfare and pursuant to this chapter, shall plan and provide for the future growth and improvement of its area of jurisdiction, coordinate all public improvements..."

The State statute clearly places responsibility for land-use planning, coordination of public improvements, and evaluation of impacts on local jurisdictions with the County's Board of Supervisors. For large-scale energy developments and associated transmission infrastructure, Apache County relies on its Conditional Use Permit process to ensure appropriate review, public input, and evaluation of local impacts.

Therefore, in the interest of proper land-use oversight, intergovernmental coordination, and compliance with Arizona law, I respectfully request that the Arizona Corporation Commission deny the application submitted by CG Apache County Solar LLC and CG Apache County Wind LLC until such time as the applicants have applied for and received Conditional Use Permit approval from the Apache County Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact my office should you require any clarification or additional information.

Respectfully,

Matthew Fish Director, Apache County Community Development