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**BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT  
AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF SUNZIA TRANSMISSION, LLC, IN  
CONFORMANCE WITH THE  
REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED  
STATUTES 40-360, ET. SEQ., FOR A  
CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE  
SUNZIA SOUTHWEST TRANSMISSION  
PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NEW 500KV  
TRANSMISSION LINES AND  
ASSOCIATED FACILITIES  
ORIGINATING AT A NEW SUBSTATION  
(SUNZIA EAST) IN LINCOLN COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO, AND TERMINATING AT  
THE PINAL CENTRAL SUBSTATION IN  
PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA. THE  
ARIZONA PORTION OF THE PROJECT IS  
LOCATED WITHIN GRAHAM,  
GREENLEE, COCHISE, PINAL AND  
PIMA COUNTIES.

DOCKET NO.: L-00000YY-15-  
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Case No. 171

Application to Amend Decision No.  
75464

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Arizona Corporation Commission

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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 SunZia Transmission LLC (SunZia or Applicant) to amend Decision No. 75464, which approved the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility in Line Siting Case No. 171 (CEC 171) for the SunZia Southwest Transmission Project (the Project). The scope of the public hearing will address the three modifications requested in the Application to Amend: i) to authorize the use of updated structure designs and additional structure types identified during detailed engineering efforts; ii) to allow for separate assignment and future ownership of each approved transmission line and its associated facilities to enable project financing; and iii) to extend the expiration date for line 1 from February 2026 to February 2028. A general location map of the Project is attached as Exhibit A.

The hearing will be held at the Biosphere 2, 32540 S. Biosphere Road, Oracle, Arizona 85739. **The hearing will begin on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.**

1 and will continue weekdays Wednesday, September 7, 2022, through Tuesday,  
2 September 13, 2022, as necessary, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on each weekday through  
3 the completion of the hearing. If any revisions to the hearing schedule are required, they  
4 will be noticed on the Project website at sunzia.com and on the Arizona Corporation  
5 Commission (ACC) website at [https://www.accc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-](https://www.accc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule)  
6 [schedule](https://www.accc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule).

7 PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING  
8 SESSION ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022, BEGINNING AT 5:30 PM., VIA  
9 TELEPHONE, ZOOM OR IN PERSON AT THE BIOSPHERE 2, 32540 S.  
10 BIOSPHERE ROAD, ORACLE, ARIZONA 85739. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE  
11 TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH HEARING DAY, OR AT OTHER  
12 TIMES DURING THE HEARING, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN  
13 OF THE COMMITTEE.

14 PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ALL LOCAL AND STATE PUBLIC  
15 HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES REGARDING COVID-19 WILL BE  
16 FOLLOWED DURING THE HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION.  
17 FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC ACCESS, ADDITIONAL SAFETY  
18 PROTOCOLS, AND REVISIONS TO THE HEARING SCEHDULE MAY  
19 OCCUR DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONSIDERATION.

20 THE PUBLIC IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE BY  
21 EITHER WATCHING THE MEETING ONLINE OR LISTENING TO THE  
22 MEETING VIA TELEPHONE, RATHER THAN ATTENDING IN PERSON.

23 At least 24 hours in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and  
24 telephone hearing access, as well as any additional details regarding COVID-19 safety  
25 protocols or other revisions to the hearing schedule will be noticed on the Project website  
26 at sunzia.com. The Chairman, may at his discretion, recess the hearing to a time and

1 place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after recess. The date,  
2 time, and place at which the hearing will be resumed will be posted on the above-noted  
3 Project and ACC websites. **NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY SUCH RESUMED**  
4 **HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH A**  
5 **RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.**

6 No tour is planned at this time. If the Committee decides to conduct a tour, notice  
7 that includes a map and itinerary of any such tour will be available at the hearing and  
8 posted on the Project and ACC websites. Members of the public may follow the  
9 Committee on the tour. During the tour, the Committee may hear testimony at stops on  
10 the tour concerning what is visible at stops and the relevance of the location and view to  
11 the Project. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur  
12 during the tour. A court reporter or record device will record any testimony taken on the  
13 tour for transcription. COVID-19 protocols specific for the tour will be included on the  
14 itinerary.

15 Additional information regarding the proposed amendments is contained in the  
16 Application to Amend and the Supplemental Application, which are available for  
17 inspection at the following locations:

- 18 • ACC Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office, located at 1200 West  
19 Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, AZ 85007
- 20 • ACC Tucson Office, 400 West Congress Street #221, Tucson, AZ 85701
- 21 • The Project website: [sunzia.com](http://sunzia.com)
- 22 • Casa Grande Public Library, 449 North Drylake Street, Casa Grande, AZ  
23 85122
- 24 • Elsie S. Hogan Community Library, 100 North Curtis Avenue, Willcox,  
25 AZ, 85643
- 26 • Benson Public Library, 300 South Huachuca Street, Benson, AZ 85602



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

3 Each county, municipal government, and state agency interested in the Project that  
4 desires to be a party to the proceedings shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date  
5 set for the hearing, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities,  
6 Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

7 Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part to  
8 promote conservation or natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health, or  
9 other biological values to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to  
10 represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the  
11 area in which the Project is located desiring to become a party to the proceedings shall,  
12 not less than ten (10) days before the date set for the hearing, file Notice of Intent to  
13 Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200  
14 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

15 The Committee or the Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other  
16 persons parties to the proceedings. Any person may make a limited appearance at the  
17 hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Director of Utilities, Arizona  
18 Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007, and the  
19 Chairman of the Committee at 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85007, not less  
20 than five (5) days before the date set for the hearing. A person making a limited  
21 appearance will not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine  
22 witnesses.

23 This proceeding governed by Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §§ 40-252 and  
24 40-360 to 40-360.13, Decision No. 78600, and Arizona Administrative Code (AAC)  
25 R14-3-201 to R14-3-220. The Committee will take evidence on the Application to  
26 Amend to make findings of facts and conclusions of law concerning the proposed

1 amendments to CEC 171. No substantive communication, not in the public record, may  
2 be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be  
3 submitted to the ACC pursuant to Decision No. 78600. Any person intending to be a  
4 party to the proceedings on the matter before the ACC must be a party to the proceedings  
5 before the Committee.

6 ORDERED this 2nd day of August, 2022.

7 **THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND**  
8 **TRANSMISSION LINE SITING**  
9 **COMMITTEE**

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

2 Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-204, the **ORIGINAL** of the foregoing and 25 copies were  
3 filed this 2nd day of August, 2022 with:

4 Utilities Division – Docket Control  
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