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BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT
AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF AURORA SOLAR LLC IN
CONFORMANCE WITH THE
REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA
REVISED STATUTES §§ 40-360, *ET SEQ.*,
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY
AUTHORIZING THE OBED MEADOW
230-KV GENERATION TIE-LINE
PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A SUBSTATION
AND GENERATION TIE-LINE
ORIGINATING APPROXIMATELY 2.4
MILES SOUTHWEST OF THE APS
CHOLLA SUBSTATION ON PRIVATE
LAND UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF
NAVAJO COUNTY, ARIZONA, AND
TERMINATING IN THE APS CHOLLA
SUBSTATION IN NAVAJO COUNTY,
ARIZONA.

Docket No.: L-21254A-23-0184-00222

Case No. 222

Arizona Corporation Commission

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (“Committee”) regarding the Application of Aurora Solar LLC (“Applicant”) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility to authorize construction of Obed Meadow Generation Tie-Line Project (“the Project”). The Project consists of a proposed new 230-kilovolt alternating current generation transmission tie line (up to 2.8 miles) and associated substation facilities connecting a planned 200-megawatt solar photovoltaic power plant that may be paired with an optional 200-megawatt battery energy storage system to Arizona Public Service Company’s Cholla Substation in unincorporated Navajo County, Arizona. A map of the Project is attached as Exhibit A.

1 The hearing will be held at the Little America Flagstaff, 2515 E. Butler Avenue,
2 Flagstaff, Arizona 86004. The hearing will begin on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 1:00
3 p.m. and will continue as necessary on August 8, 9, 10 and 11, 2023, commencing at 9:00
4 a.m. on each day through the completion of the hearing. If any revisions to the hearing
5 schedule are required, they will be noticed on the Project website at
6 www.obedmeadowsolar.com and on the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC")
7 website at: <https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule>.

8 **PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING**
9 **SESSION ON MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., AT THE**
10 **LITTLE AMERICA FLAGSTAFF, 2515 E. BUTLER AVENUE, FLAGSTAFF,**
11 **ARIZONA 86004. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING**
12 **OF EACH HEARING DAY, OR AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE HEARING,**
13 **AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE.**

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

19 **THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPTION TO PARTICIPATE BY EITHER**
20 **WATCHING THE HEARING ONLINE, LISTENING TO THE HEARING VIA**
21 **TELEPHONE, OR ATTEND IN PERSON.**

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

1 The date, time and place at which the hearing will be resumed will be posted on the
2 above-noted Project website and the ACC website.

3 **NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN;**
4 **HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT**
5 **REQUIRED.**

6 The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area. The map and itinerary of
7 any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project website at
8 www.obedmeadowsolar.com and the ACC website at [https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-](https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule)
9 [power-plant/meeting-schedule](https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/meeting-schedule). Members of the public may follow the Committee on the
10 tour in their own private vehicles. During the tour, the Committee may hear brief
11 testimony at stops on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are
12 located, what is visible at the stops, and the relevance of the location and view to the
13 facilities in the Application. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the
14 Application will occur during the tour. A court reporter or recording device will record
15 any testimony taken on the tour for transcription.

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

- 19 • ACC Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office, located at 1200 West
20 Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007
- 21 • Holbrook Public Library, 403 Park Street, Holbrook, Arizona 86025
- 22 • The Project website: www.obedmeadowsolar.com

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

25 Each county, municipal government, and state agency interested in the Project that
26 desires to be a party to the proceedings shall, not less than ten (10) days before August 7,

1 2023, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, Arizona
2 Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.


3 Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part to
4 promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or
5 other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to
6 represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the
7 area in which the Project is to be located desiring to become a party to the proceedings
8 shall, not less than ten (10) days before August 7, 2023, file a Notice of Intent to Become
9 a Party with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West
10 Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

11 The Committee or the Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other
12 persons parties to the proceedings. Any person may make a limited appearance at a
13 hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Docket Control of the Arizona
14 Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, and
15 the Chairman of the Committee at 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85007,
16 not less than five days (5) before August 7, 2023. A person making a limited appearance
17 shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

18 This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") Sections 40-
19 360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code ("AAC") R14-3-201 to R14-3-220.
20 No substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of
21 the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the ACC
22 pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party to the proceedings on
23 these matters before the ACC must be a party to the proceedings before the Committee.

24 ORDERED this 23rd day of June, 2023.

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Adam Stafford, Chairman
Arizona Power Plant and Transmission
Line Siting Committee
Assistant Attorney General

1 CERTIFICATION OF MAILING

2 Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-204, the **ORIGINAL** of the foregoing and 26 copies were
3 filed this

4 29 day of June, 2023 with:

5 Utilities Division – Docket Control
6 ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
7 1200 W. Washington Street
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8 **COPIES** of the foregoing mailed this 29 day of June, 2023 to:

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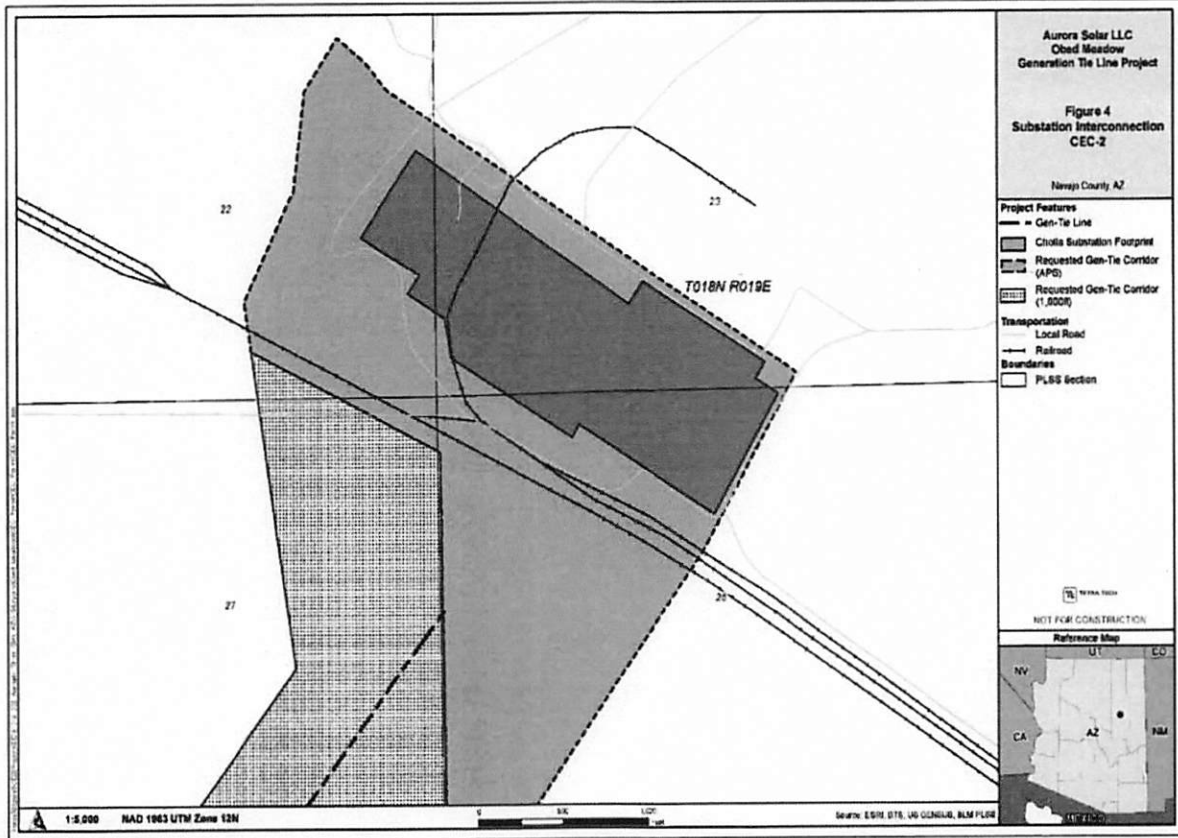
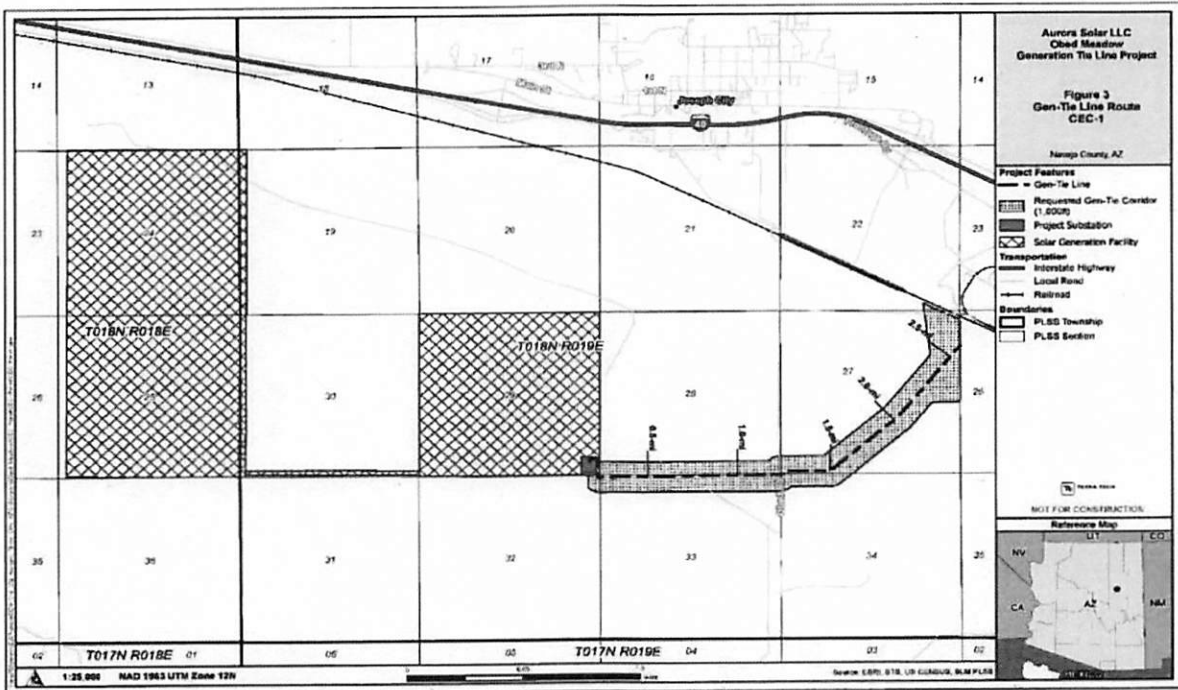


Exhibit A