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The Honorable Robert Burns
Chairman
Arizona Corporate Commission
1300 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

RE: Ten West Link Project, Docket Number L-21088A-19-0309-00185

Dear Chair Burns:

I am writing to express support for the Ten West Link project and the proposed project route, docket number L-21088A-19-0309-00185.

The Ten West Link project will create beneficial new transmission infrastructure that will improve transmission system efficiency and reliability, while facilitating development of new renewable energy and energy storage resources in Arizona and California. This will help both states achieve their renewable energy standards and carbon reduction goals. The project will also bring significant economic, reliability and public policy benefits to the electric power grid serving the Desert Southwest – one of America’s fastest growing regions.

As you may know, Eolus North America, Inc. is a renewable energy developer that focuses on utility-scale renewable energy projects throughout the Mountain West, including Arizona. More specifically, we currently have a 500 MW solar PV plus 250 MW battery energy storage project under development located in La Paz County – known as Centennial Flats. This solar project is strategically located to interconnect at the Ten West Link 500kV transmission line.

The approval of the Ten West Link project will enhance system efficiency and improve system economics, increase regional collaboration, promote economic development and facilitate development of new energy resources, including Centennial Flats. As you consider approving the application for the Ten West Link project, we urge you to continue to support renewable energy and the associated economic benefits to the area. We appreciate your leadership and consideration and if you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Lucas Ingvaldstad
Director, Business Development and
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Eolus North America, Inc.

CC:

The Honorable Commissioner Justin Olson
The Honorable Commissioner Sandra Kennedy
The Honorable Commissioner Boyd Dunn
The Honorable Commissioner Lea Marquez Peterson

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