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1 BE IT REMEMBERED that the above-entitled and
2 numbered matter came on regularly to be heard before
3 the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting
4 Committee in Phoenix, Arizona, commencing at 11:03 a.m.
5 on the 16th of October, 2020, with all participants
6 appearing via videoconference.

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1 CHMN. CHENAL: Let's identify the parties and
2 see if there's going to be any intervenors. And we'll
3 get into a description of the project and the exhibits
4 that I saw were delivered and we'll talk about the
5 logistics.

6 So I'm not sure who's going to be doing the
7 talking today. Is it Megan or Matt or Ed? I assume
8 it's going to be one of you three.

9 MR. DERSTINE: It's going to be Ed.

10 MS. DeCORSE: Yes.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Let's do the
12 appearances first, and then we'll get into the project
13 description.

14 MR. BECK: My name is Ed Beck, and I'm here
15 on behalf of Tucson Electric Power.

16 MS. DeCORSE: Megan DeCorse on behalf of
17 Tucson Electric Power.

18 MR. DERSTINE: Matt Derstine with Snell &
19 Wilmer on behalf of Tucson Electric Power.

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2 Arizona Corporation Commission Staff.

3 MS. EDWARDS: Krysta Edwards on behalf of
4 Southline.

5 MR. PATTERSON: And Doug Patterson on behalf
6 of Southline Transmission.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. That looks like
8 everybody. You miss the big screen where you get a lot
9 more squares up versus an iPad.

10 All right. Is the applicant aware of any
11 intervenors in this case? And I guess one of the
12 logical potential intervenors is the Corporation
13 Commission. But maybe, Ed, if you or Matt or Megan
14 would answer that.

15 MR. BECK: The only party that we're aware of
16 that has indicated interest is the Mountain View Ranch
17 group. And as we've discussed before, they're outside
18 of the specific project area that we're talking about,
19 but they have some general concerns about the Southline
20 project, and so they may or may not show up in the
21 hearings. That's the only party we're aware of.

22 CHMN. CHENAL: And Stephen, any interest in
23 the Corporation Commission intervening in this action?

24 MR. EMEDI: Thank you, Chairman Chenal. At
25 this point, Staff does not intend to intervene;

1 however, the Legal Division thought it made sense to
2 appear today just on the off chance that Staff changes
3 its mind and decides that it does want to intervene.
4 But presently, they have not indicated an intention to
5 intervene in the matter.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Thanks very much.
7 Let's -- so looks like there may or may not be
8 intervenors. But at this point, you know, the only
9 ones that are potentials are Desert Mountain -- or,
10 Mountain Desert and the Corporation Commission.

11 Let's go through a project description. And
12 let's start with that and the exhibits, if any, that
13 you're presenting today that will be exhibits to the
14 transcript.

15 MR. BECK: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

16 Marie, are you able to bring up the map on
17 screen, the overview map?

18 While she's bringing that up, if she can, the
19 project is a portion of the original Southline project,
20 which was CEC Case 173. And TEP is proposing to build
21 the portion of that project from Vail to Tortolita,
22 roughly 64 miles of the original, I believe, 370-mile
23 Southline project. And that's what we're here before
24 you to discuss is that 64-mile segment that under the
25 original CEC was not considered in depth by the

1 Committee because of Western preemption rights or an
2 argument with preemption and the fact that it was going
3 to be a hundred percent owned by Western Area Power.
4 Now TEP becoming a part of this project and owning one
5 of the circuits, we recognize, and as the Commission
6 has also indicated, we need to obtain a CEC for the
7 portion that we will own, build and own.

8 So on the map, which is now on the screen,
9 basically the project goes from the bottom right-hand
10 corner, you'll see a Number 1, which is the reference
11 to the Vail substation expansion. Yeah, right there.
12 And then the project is the blue line that extends up
13 to the upper left corner to the Number 8, which is the
14 Tortolita substation expansion. So it goes right along
15 through the city of Tucson, basically parallel and
16 adjacent to Interstate 10.

17 The project will entail TEP working with
18 Western to rebuild their existing 115-kV line that is
19 along that alignment. We would build it to a double
20 circuit 230-capable line, with one circuit being owned
21 by TEP, and the other circuit would continue to be
22 owned by Western. And at least in the interim, they
23 would operate it at 115, even though it will be built
24 to 230 capability.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Let's have the

1 Exhibit 1 marked as -- the map marked as Exhibit 1 for
2 the transcript to the conference today.

3 Is there any further discussion about the
4 project itself, Ed?

5 MR. BECK: No, not at this time. That's
6 basically the project we're bringing forward.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Let's talk about, then, the
8 Notice of Hearing and the posting and publishing
9 aspects that are typical for these cases. Is there a
10 -- have you had an opportunity to look at the Notice of
11 Hearing that just went out in the other -- the
12 Hashknife case?

13 MR. BECK: Yes. We took an extensive look at
14 that, and we modified our proposed Notice of Hearing to
15 accommodate a lot of the language. I believe that has
16 been provided to Marie for consideration as a draft.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Marie, you're on mute.

18 MS. COBB: I have it.

19 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. I'll have to look at it
20 Monday when I'm back. Let me know what your
21 anticipated filing date is.

22 MR. BECK: We're looking at by the end of
23 next week, 21 -- 21st, 22nd possibly. It's some
24 printing logistics we're working through.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Well, I'll look at

1 that and I should be able to get that back to you
2 Monday, Tuesday morning at the latest, with any
3 comments that we'd have, okay?

4 MR. BECK: Great.

5 CHMN. CHENAL: And what's your -- well, I
6 say -- as soon as I say that, you know, you never know,
7 after you've been gone a week, what happens. But is
8 late Tuesday good enough for you?

9 MR. BECK: Yes, that will work.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Where are you going to
11 publish, Tucson Daily Star?

12 MR. BECK: Arizona Daily Star, yes.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: I'm sorry. Arizona Daily
14 Star. Did I say Tucson Daily Star? Excuse me. It's
15 Arizona Daily Star. Excuse me.

16 What about signs and locations?

17 MR. BECK: So we also provided, again this
18 morning, the map of the proposed sign locations, which
19 I think we proposed that would be our Exhibit 2, and
20 we're showing 22 proposed locations. The scale is a
21 little bit tough. It's the blue dots on this map, the
22 little blue squares. So you can see they're scattered
23 much less in the rural areas and more intense in the
24 urban area of Tucson. And we're proposing those 22
25 signs subject to final ability to get permitting and so

1 on to place those signs.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure.

3 MR. BECK: We don't anticipate issues, but at
4 this point it's 22 signs that we're planning. We've
5 reached out to Western Area Power. We think we're fine
6 putting signs on their rights-of-way. So our biggest
7 issue probably will be road rights-of-way.

8 CHMN. CHENAL: And I assume the signs will be
9 consistent with previous TEP signs in recent cases in
10 terms of the information that will be contained in the
11 signs?

12 MR. BECK: That is correct, yes.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay, good.

14 And who are the affected jurisdictions in
15 this case?

16 MR. BECK: Mr. Chairman, just to ask, do you
17 need to put that as an exhibit?

18 CHMN. CHENAL: Sorry. Yes, Exhibit 2.
19 Exhibit 2 will be marked and a part of this transcript,
20 yes.

21 MR. BECK: As far as affected jurisdictions,
22 there's Pima County and Pinal County. Primarily, we'll
23 be in Pima, but we do touch the edge of Pinal with the
24 portion into the Saguaro substation. We have the city
25 of Tucson, town of Marana, and the town of Sahuarita.

1 Town of Sahuarita, we don't actually cross through the
2 town of Sahuarita as it is, but they have an interest
3 in that particular area, so we're notifying them.

4 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay, very good.

5 And I know I'm moving this along a little
6 more quickly, so I apologize if we're breezing through
7 this, but I think we've talked about a lot of this in
8 previous informal meetings we've had. Let's talk about
9 the evidentiary hearing, the location and the
10 anticipated dates.

11 MR. BECK: So we're planning for December 1st
12 as a starting date, and we had a note that it was
13 starting at 10:00 a.m. We needed to verify what your
14 preference is for timing of the start.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: I think we do it the way we
16 normally have, you know, being an afternoon start,
17 1:00, let's say. Because of Matt's suggestion, I think
18 it was a good one, to basically have the hearing, you
19 know, we could start in one week and then continue over
20 into the next, I think we've got plenty of time that we
21 don't have to start it at 10:00. And that's certainly
22 much less of a stress for some of the Committee Members
23 who have to drive to it. So it would be the normal
24 1:00 p.m. start time on December 1st.

25 And then how many days should we notice it

1 for and then how many days do you believe it will
2 actually take to do this hearing?

3 MR. BECK: I think, as we've discussed
4 previously, we're hoping that we can complete the case
5 in that first week so that it would run through the
6 Friday, potentially. And we had the carryover days
7 into the following week just in case there's more
8 questioning or public input than we expected.

9 CHMN. CHENAL: And I don't have my calendar
10 up. Is the 1st a Tuesday, the 1st of December?

11 MR. BECK: I believe it is.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes, okay. So we start the
13 afternoon of Tuesday, December 1st. You believe it
14 could be completed as early as Friday; and if not,
15 we've got the next week. How many days should we --
16 you know, should the notice of hearing -- I'm sorry I
17 didn't have a chance to review it this morning, but how
18 many days into the following week would it be your
19 preference to hold for the hearing?

20 MR. BECK: Well, I believe your Committee
21 Members were good possibly through Wednesday at the
22 latest. Didn't you lose a few Committee Members?

23 CHMN. CHENAL: Marie, you'll have to refresh
24 our recollection. You're on mute.

25 MS. COBB: So we lose Zach Branum and Patty

1 Noland that following week.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: The entire week?

3 MS. COBB: Yes. And then there's -- you
4 know, Jim Palmer is not available until after lunch on
5 the 7th.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: What day of the week is that?

7 MS. COBB: On Monday.

8 CHMN. CHENAL: Monday, okay.

9 MS. COBB: So he's not available until after
10 lunch. And then on Thursday he's only available until
11 10:00 a.m., which is the 10th. And then Member
12 Villegas is unavailable on Tuesday, December 8th, from
13 9:00 to 11:00, so a couple of hours.

14 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Well --

15 MR. BECK: Mr. Chairman, do you have the
16 prerogative in the Committee to set additional days and
17 we just have to post them, or...

18 CHMN. CHENAL: You know, yes, maybe. I
19 probably do. We've never crossed that bridge, because
20 every time we've done one of these notices we've always
21 allowed plenty of time. For example, in this case,
22 we'd notice it through the following Friday, whatever
23 date that is. So we go from the 1st through -- Tuesday
24 through Friday the first week and Monday through Friday
25 the second week just to be safe. I mean, I think the

1 statutes and rules allow me to do that, but, you know,
2 again, I've never had the occasion where we've run out
3 of time as the notice has been -- as the hearing has
4 been noticed and had to do that.

5 I mean, the risk is on you. You know, I
6 appreciate that it ties up the hotel and there's the
7 cost associated with that. But if you're able to
8 negotiate a way where you only pay for the time that we
9 use it, then it seems like it would make more sense to
10 notice it as necessary throughout the following week.
11 But it's easy for me to spend your money, if the case
12 is if you reserve it, you've got to pay for it.

13 MR. BECK: Well, I would say because of the
14 importance of the project to us and our interest in
15 getting through this in one set of hearings, one set of
16 timing, we probably should notice through the 11th, I
17 think is the Friday.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: I think it's smart. I mean,
19 we'll have a quorum for the whole time period. And,
20 you know, it's like moving the Red Army; it's hard to
21 get everything together to do this. And with the
22 holidays, I'd be afraid you'd be out into January
23 sometime. And we promised we'd get this thing set and
24 heard and decided, and I'd hate to run into a snag
25 because we didn't reserve enough time.

1 MR. BECK: I appreciate that. So we'll
2 notice through the 11th, and then we'll see what we can
3 work out with the venue.

4 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay.

5 MR. DERSTINE: And, Mr. Chairman, it's
6 starting at 1:00 p.m. on the 1st, is that right?

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Yes. And then I think the
8 same would go for the following Monday, 1:00 start,
9 because, again, we'll have people like -- Member
10 Villegas and Member Palmer will probably drive in that
11 morning.

12 MR. DERSTINE: All right. We'll have to
13 revise the draft Notice of Hearing that we sent you or
14 Marie can do it. However you want to handle the
15 changes and the edits to the draft Notice of Hearing,
16 you tell us what you want.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Why don't you do it, because I
18 can't look at it until Monday. Well, let's put it like
19 this to be polite: I'm not going to look at it until
20 Monday. I could take the afternoon off and look at it
21 and not visit some historic sites around here, but I
22 think I'm going to do that and I'll look at the hearing
23 notice on Monday. So that will give you plenty of
24 opportunity to get it to us. And I can get it turned
25 around pretty quickly. So if you would be kind enough

1 to do that.

2 And then we'll have the agenda. Marie, you
3 can do the agenda based on the Notice of Hearing -- the
4 revised Notice of Hearing that will be sent.

5 I assume the usual arrangements will be made
6 for lodging for out-of-town Committee Members,
7 Mr. Beck?

8 MR. BECK: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

9 CHMN. CHENAL: I think we talked that we will
10 not do a physical tour, but we would appreciate a
11 robust flyover. And I know a lot of these Google
12 flyovers are pretty quick, they're a couple, three,
13 four, five minutes. I think you can slow the plane
14 down and we can spend a little more time with the
15 Google flyover and spend some time doing it much
16 slower. We can take some time to do that, and I think
17 that will -- given the coronavirus pandemic, I just
18 think it's safer we don't do a tour, a physical tour.

19 MR. BECK: Mr. Chairman, just briefly,
20 regarding our venue, how many rooms should we ask be
21 set aside for Committee Members? Would you be able to
22 give us some indication of that?

23 CHMN. CHENAL: We'll have to have Marie poll
24 the Committee to verify. I was going to get into the
25 logistics here in a moment, but let's talk about it

1 now. We'll have to get a head count. I know in the
2 other hearing we have set, the Hashknife case, I
3 believe every Member is going to appear in person. So
4 we'll get a head count and get back to you. I'll
5 certainly be there in person.

6 MR. BECK: Okay.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: We won't have a tour.

8 Let's talk about the venue, then. Obviously,
9 we're going to need -- we'll have the large hearing
10 room that we've used in the past. But have you given
11 thought as to how you're going to set it up to
12 accommodate pretty much a full Committee -- we'll be
13 missing a few people at various times -- but with
14 distancing in between, how that's going to look?

15 MR. BECK: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I think Renee
16 can -- Renee will speak a little bit to that.

17 But one follow-up from our previous
18 discussion. I think you were reaching out to your
19 Committee Members to see whether we needed to provide a
20 second device for them to be able to see Zoom or if
21 they might have their own devices. I don't know if you
22 were able to get any feedback.

23 CHMN. CHENAL: I think Marie has.

24 MS. COBB: Yes. So the only Committee Member
25 that I have heard back from so far that does not have a

1 personal device is Member Haenichen. Everybody else
2 either has an iPad, a tablet, or a laptop that is
3 enabled with a camera. Does that answer your question?

4 MR. BECK: So, Mr. Chairman, would we maybe
5 have a couple of devices available for Mr. Haenichen
6 and --

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Yeah, I think that's -- if you
8 have them already, three maybe, if you already have
9 them. I'm listening to what Marie said very carefully,
10 of the people I've heard back from. So now I have a
11 hundred questions about, well, who did we not hear back
12 from? And did we not hear back from them because they
13 don't have it or they don't care or what gives? So
14 let's have a few extra just to be safe.

15 MR. BECK: Renee, do you want to talk about
16 the venue?

17 MS. DARLING: Yes, absolutely.

18 Chairman, we are not going to use the same
19 room as we normally do. We're actually going to be
20 using the grand ballroom, which is much larger, and
21 that's to accommodate a 6-foot table per person. So
22 you've got -- it will be very long, a very long series
23 of tables for the Committee, but it will have a similar
24 configuration as what we used in the other room with
25 the screens to your right, TEP across from you -- the

1 lawyers across from you, and TEP to the left of you.
2 So the setup will be the same; it will just be much
3 more spread out.

4 And then we're going to use the Palo Verde
5 room as kind of a public viewing room or overflow room,
6 and that will have the ability to comment from that
7 room. But we can, if it's your preference, also set up
8 a microphone in the ballroom if they're so inclined to
9 come in and comment within the ballroom itself.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Well, let me ask a question on
11 that, Renee. If people show up in the Palo Verde room,
12 will they be able to see the hearing that's taking
13 place in the grand ballroom?

14 MS. DARLING: Yes. They can actually watch
15 the hearing from the Palo Verde room if they so choose.
16 There will be a 6-foot screen set up in that room,
17 along with chairs with 6-foot social distancing between
18 the chairs. And there will be a computer and audio
19 linked back to the room so that they can literally like
20 be one of the Zoom -- one of the Zoom squares, right,
21 is the Palo Verde room. So they can come up to the
22 camera and leave a comment.

23 CHMN. CHENAL: I don't see a need to have
24 those people in the grand ballroom then.

25 MS. DARLING: I didn't either, but I didn't

1 know if you preferred it.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: No. No. To the contrary,
3 actually.

4 MS. DARLING: Yes. I figured the fewer
5 people, the better.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Yep. Okay, that sounds great.

7 I guess it's a little academic since most, if
8 not every one, of the Committee Members will be
9 physically present, so we don't have to worry about how
10 many Zoom squares we're going to need. But how is it
11 going to work? So let's say the attorneys are asking a
12 panel, and you have the Committee Members watching.
13 And, you know, while the attorneys are asking the
14 questions and the panel is responding, what will we see
15 on the screen?

16 MS. DARLING: Yes. So Zoom has the speaker
17 view setup, which means as a person speaks, just their
18 picture will pop up, the person that's actually
19 speaking. So even if you and I are speaking back and
20 forth, our picture will keep shifting. So what you'll
21 see is the person speaking and then the presentation
22 itself up on the big screen, but you also can see it in
23 front of you on your laptop or your device.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: So if I'm asking a question of
25 Matt, and he and I are discussing it back and forth and

1 we're the speaker views, he and I, who will occupy --
2 will the panel occupy another square that we'll be able
3 to see and the witnesses?

4 MS. DARLING: Right. You won't see any of
5 the other people on the Zoom meeting while you're in
6 speaker view talking to each other. You'll see the
7 presentation and then the picture of you when you speak
8 and then the picture of Matt when he speaks. But
9 everybody will see, whether they're in the room or at
10 home, they will see the presentation and the two of you
11 speaking back and forth with each other.

12 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. I think that sounds
13 fine. I think that's a really good way to handle this
14 and I think it will work just fine. I think that's
15 smart, so that's good.

16 MS. DARLING: Right. And the idea is --
17 sorry.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: Go ahead.

19 MS. DARLING: The idea for the PowerPoint is
20 to build the two -- you know how we normally have the
21 map on the left screen and the presentation on the
22 right screen -- is to build that into a single
23 PowerPoint presentation, because the left screen, you
24 really can't send that signal out to the people that
25 aren't in the room. But we'll figure all that out and

1 we'll certainly be paying attention to the hearing
2 before ours and adjust any plans we have based on how
3 that goes.

4 CHMN. CHENAL: And then the Committee Members
5 at least will be provided a separate iPad with the
6 documents loaded, as in previous cases?

7 MS. DARLING: Yes, absolutely.

8 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay, perfect.

9 MS. DARLING: And just one other thing.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure.

11 MS. DARLING: They'll still have their own
12 microphones. So the audio will be through the
13 microphones and the speakers in the room, not through
14 the computer for the Zoom meeting.

15 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. So we'll have to mute
16 the computers.

17 MS. DARLING: Yes.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. I'm sorry to move this
19 along a little quickly. I've got that other call in 15
20 minutes, which I'm sorry this came up, but it's
21 something I have to do.

22 Let's set a date for the prehearing
23 conference. And maybe we already have talked about a
24 date. I'm sorry. Excuse me. Can you remind me what
25 the date is?

1 MR. BECK: We did, Mr. Chairman. I believe
2 November 24th at 2:00 p.m.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Very good. Is
4 there any litigation or ongoing disputes of any legal
5 nature regarding the project?

6 MR. BECK: No, there's -- we're not aware of
7 any litigation, per se. The only issue of concern...

8 CHMN. CHENAL: Is the Mountain View, is that
9 what you were talking about?

10 MR. BECK: Yes, sir, Mountain View, the
11 Mountain View issue, but it's not in any type of
12 litigation.

13 CHMN. CHENAL: Right. And the Mountain View
14 is not impacted by the line that's going to be the
15 subject of the hearing either, as I understand it?

16 MR. BECK: Right. That's correct.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: It's a different part of the
18 line.

19 All right. And what is the form of the
20 application or how are you going to call it -- title
21 the pleading? I know it's going to have the look and
22 the feel of an application, but just so I'm aware of it
23 if you've made that decision yet.

24 MR. BECK: I'm not sure we've got the title
25 finalized, but it's basically going to be an

1 application just like you would see in your typical
2 case. So from a look and feel, it's going to be hard
3 to discern it between a normal application and this
4 particular case.

5 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay.

6 MR. DERSTINE: My working draft title is,
7 supplement to application to amend pursuant to ARS
8 40-252 and ARS Section 40-360, et seq.

9 CHMN. CHENAL: Beautiful, beautiful,
10 beautiful. It's music to a lawyer's ears.

11 Okay. The draft Procedural Order will be
12 similar to the one that was issued in the Hashknife
13 case. If you -- I will let you know right now, if you
14 have any thoughts on how to tweak that specifically for
15 this case, please let me know. But I think other than
16 the dates and things like that, I think -- and the
17 project description, I think basically it's going to be
18 very similar. But again, if you have comments or
19 tweaks on that, please let me know.

20 We'll have the public comment again the first
21 evening, December the 1st. I don't see that we need
22 one for the following week; I mean, we'll be available
23 to take public comment. But I believe in the Hashknife
24 case they put in a hearing date for the second week as
25 a possibility, and I don't think that's necessary,

1 unless you do. I think the one -- since it's all going
2 to take place in hearing, that should be sufficient.

3 MR. BECK: Yeah. Mr. Chairman, I don't think
4 we see a need for any additional public comment
5 session, because you typically would take those that
6 might show up during the hearing anyway.

7 CHMN. CHENAL: Sure. Out of curiosity, just
8 remind me, what other permits, either federal, state,
9 county, city, or town, are necessary for this project
10 in addition to the CEC?

11 MR. BECK: With at least one of our
12 substations, we may have to provide a new development
13 plan to the City because we're expanding the substation
14 site. But because our substations are existing,
15 there's really very little in the way of permitting.
16 And we'll need typical construction and right-of-way
17 use permits as we're building portions of the project.

18 CHMN. CHENAL: All right.

19 MR. BECK: And I apologize. My camera went
20 out, so that's why I'm not on screen.

21 CHMN. CHENAL: Kathryn, any requests or
22 comments, suggestions or concerns that you have, from
23 your perspective, in this hearing we're going to have
24 where it's live and there could be parts of it remote?

25 THE COURT REPORTER: Not that I can think of

1 at the moment.

2 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Well, you let us know
3 if you do.

4 What is the capability for a member of the
5 public to attend the hearing virtually, I guess that's
6 the last question I have, or provide public comment?

7 MR. BECK: We will have the virtual
8 capability for the public, as well as they can be in
9 the Palo Verde room if they do show up, but they will
10 also have the ability to come in virtually.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: And then when I have a hearing
12 and I see someone -- some people sitting there and I
13 know they're there to give comment, I try to, as a
14 courtesy to them, allow them to provide their comment
15 and leave so they don't have to wait five hours or
16 whatever. How will we be able to accommodate those
17 people that appear virtually? Will someone let me know
18 that someone has appeared and they're in the waiting
19 room or how will that work?

20 MR. BECK: Well, I think one way, we could
21 have them raise their hand so that someone will notice
22 that they've joined, and then we could alert you to
23 that fact.

24 MS. DARLING: Just real quick.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: Yeah, Renee.

1 MS. DARLING: So we're going to have a
2 full-time moderator. The moderator is in charge of
3 keeping the Zoom meeting organized and going. So
4 they'll make sure to be muting people's microphones, if
5 they're forgetting to do it themselves, to help control
6 the noise and make sure that only the people that are
7 speaking are on mic.

8 They can also -- I mean, we have to come up
9 with a plan, but we could just have like a sign in the
10 Palo Verde room, if you would like to make a comment,
11 call this number or text this number, and then it would
12 be the moderator's number. Or we can say, raise the
13 hand on the computer, like Ed suggested. We'll figure
14 it out, but we'll make sure there's a way that we know
15 somebody is there that wants to make a comment and then
16 we can let you know.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: That sounds good. So if I'm a
18 member of the public and I want to attend the hearing
19 virtually, what do I do? I join the Zoom meeting?

20 MS. DARLING: Yep, you just click the link
21 from your computer. And we can post the link on our
22 project website, we can put it in the public notices,
23 things like that, to make sure they have the ability to
24 know what that link is.

25 CHMN. CHENAL: So is it possible -- I mean,

1 if there were -- I'm making this number up -- but 30
2 people that wanted to appear, in addition to all of us
3 that are involved with the hearing, are there enough
4 squares for that or how is that going to work?

5 MS. DARLING: Yeah, it can handle hundreds of
6 people.

7 MR. BECK: They don't all show up on the
8 screen, Mr. Chairman. I think the names are listed.

9 MS. DARLING: Yes, that's true. That's
10 correct.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. Well, we'll -- it's a
12 brave new world. We'll figure it out. I'm looking
13 forward to this.

14 I don't think I had anything else. No, I
15 don't have anything else.

16 And just let me turn it back to you. Do you
17 have any thoughts, questions, concerns about the
18 hearing?

19 MR. BECK: I don't think we have specific
20 concerns. Just so you are aware, we're doing a public
21 virtual open house next week with -- via Zoom, and we
22 are sending out a newsletter to a notification area
23 that's on each side of the corridor. So there's almost
24 40,000 people that will receive that newsletter, which
25 will provide a background on the original Southline

1 project and then TEP's proposed project and how that
2 fits in and then also notify them of the hearings.

3 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. All right. 40,000,
4 that's a good number of people.

5 MR. BECK: Yes.

6 CHMN. CHENAL: Kudos to your teams that are
7 getting the word out and getting that all organized,
8 the outreach.

9 MR. BECK: Yeah, we've been pretty busy.

10 CHMN. CHENAL: Yeah.

11 Okay. Matt, Elias, Megan, any other
12 thoughts, questions?

13 MR. DERSTINE: This is Matt. I was just
14 going to ask if you had given any thought to having the
15 Cleveland Clinic require a COVID test for all the
16 participants before we show up in the room or if there
17 was going to be any testing requirements?

18 CHMN. CHENAL: Well, the Cleveland Clinic, I
19 don't know about that, but I walked into kind of a --
20 how do you describe it -- a building full of like -- it
21 was like a market, brewery, coffee, chocolate, pasta,
22 all kinds of stuff, but it was in a closed facility
23 here in Albuquerque, very nice project, but they took
24 everyone's temperature before you walked in. We should
25 give a little thought to that. We really should give a

1 little thought to that.

2 MR. DERSTINE: We have. Yeah, we've thought
3 about -- and we need to look into how that might be
4 staffed, but to at a minimum take temperatures and
5 maybe have folks fill out the kind of little check
6 sheet that you might do if you go into the doctor's
7 office, you haven't had any symptoms, the kind of
8 certification I have to fill out if I go into my
9 office, just so that we're doing what we can to keep
10 people safe.

11 CHMN. CHENAL: I'm very open to that. I
12 think that would be a wonderful idea, in all
13 seriousness. Temperatures and disclosures, I think
14 that's a wonderful idea.

15 MR. DERSTINE: Okay. We'll look into
16 logistics of that.

17 CHMN. CHENAL: Okay. I don't mean to rush
18 people, but I need to get going on my next one if
19 there's no other questions. And if something comes up,
20 please let me know. We want to do this right, and I
21 think we've shown we're serious about getting this
22 heard and decided as quickly as possible.

23 MR. DERSTINE: Thanks for your time.

24 CHMN. CHENAL: All right. Everyone, thank
25 you very much and we'll see you at the prefiling

1 conference -- prehearing conference. And if anything
2 shows up, comes up and we need to talk, just let me
3 know. I'll make myself available.

4 (The prefiling conference concluded at
5 11:43 a.m.)

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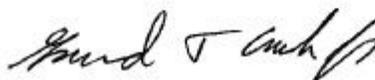
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