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Your Gateway to the Hot Well/Dunes Recreation Area, Ft. Bowie National Historic Site and Chiricahua National Monument

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Bureau of Land Management SunZia Southwest Transmission Project P.O. Box 27115 Santa Fe, NM 87508-0115

Dear Sir/Madam:

We support the SunZia Southwest Transmission Project (SunZia). We believe that Sub-Route 4B is preferable over Sub-Route 4C2c. We implore BLM to conclude its environmental review of SunZia and to issue a Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision as soon as possible.

The Bowie area is a severely economically depressed area. More than ninety percent of our children qualify for the Free and Reduced Meals Program at school. The monies for our school district and special districts are shrinking fast. The components of our infrastructure are in disrepair or non-existent. We must have some relief and soon. There is no greater pollutant than poverty!

The Bowie area will benefit greatly from SunZia's "Willow Substation" as it is a prime area for the development of solar energy generation projects. SunZia and the generation projects it will bring are a good and wise use of the land.

Sincerely,

Bruce Austin, Vice President

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