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- References:
1. NRC Letter, *Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3, of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident*, dated March 12, 2012 (ADAMS Accession No. ML12056A046)
 2. Federal Register, Vol. 78, No. 38, Tuesday, February 26, 2013, pp. 13097-13099, *Electric Power Research Institute; Seismic Evaluation Guidance*
 3. NEI letter to NRC, *Proposed Path Forward for NTTF Recommendation 2.1: Seismic Reevaluations*, dated April 9, 2013

Dear Sirs:

Subject: **Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2, and 3
Docket Nos. STN 50-528, 50-529, and 50-530
APS Response to NRC Request for Information Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) Regarding the Seismic Aspects of Recommendation 2.1 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident**

On March 12, 2012, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued Reference 1 to all power reactor licensees and holders of construction permits in active or deferred status. Enclosure 1 of Reference 1 contains specific Requested Actions, Requested Information, and Required Responses associated with Recommendation 2.1, Seismic Evaluations. Reference 1 requires a "60-day response" in which each addressee must submit: (1) its intent to follow the developed guidance, or (2) an alternative approach including acceptance criteria. In accordance with References 1 and 2, the 60-day responses are due to the NRC by April 29, 2013.

Arizona Public Service (APS) intends to respond to Enclosure 1 of Reference 1 by following the approach described in Reference 3 on the schedule provided in Reference 3.

This letter contains no new regulatory commitments.

Should you have any questions concerning the content of this letter, please contact Mark McGhee, Operations Support Manager, Regulatory Affairs, at (623) 393-4972.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 4/29/13
(Date)

Sincerely,



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