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In the Matter of
ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, ET AL.
(Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3)
Docket Nos. STN 50-529 and STN 50-530 *loc*

Dear Administrative Judges:

This letter is to advise that the parties have agreed in principle to a settlement of the remaining contentions in this proceeding. The exact language of this settlement has not yet been formalized in a written agreement, but it is expected that a completed copy can be sent to the Board within the next several weeks. After agreement is formalized, the intervenor, West Valley Agricultural Protection Council, will file a motion with the Board requesting withdrawal of its contentions.

In view of the pending settlement of this proceeding, the parties respectively request that the prefilings of written testimony, presently scheduled for December, be indefinitely postponed. If the settlement is not formalized in the near future, as expected, then the parties will request a new date for these filings.

Sincerely,

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