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To: Interested Parties

Subject: Majority of Arizonans Support 100% Clean Energy Requirement Without Delay

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds that a majority of Arizonans (65%) support requiring Arizona electric utilities to generate 100% clean energy by 2050, while just 30% oppose it. In addition, 61% think the Arizona Corporation Commissioners should act quickly to expand the state's energy efficiency goals, which are set to expire next year. Opposition is minimal, with only 23% who disagree.

Additionally, a majority (54%) think the Arizona Corporation Commissioners should continue to vote to advance a 100% clean energy future for Arizona during the coronavirus pandemic, while only 32% of voters want to wait. Another 59% support an interim goal of expanding Arizona's renewable energy standard to require 45% renewable energy in Arizona by 2030. Just 25% oppose this.

Arizonans also want to ensure that environmental justice communities benefit from the transition to renewables. 68% support utility companies investing in economic development, access to renewables, workforce training, and local siting of renewable energy projects in communities harmed by dirty energy. This is popular across political affiliations, including 86% of voters who usually vote in Democratic primary elections and 55% of those who usually vote in Republican primaries.

Public Policy Polling surveyed 530 Arizona voters from May 8-10, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 4.3%. 51% of interviews for the survey were conducted by text message, and 49% by telephone.





Arizona Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Doug Ducey's job performance?

Approve 42%
Disapprove 38%
Not sure 20%

Q2 Currently the state of Arizona requires that electric utilities generate 15% of their power from renewable sources like solar and wind by 2025. Your elected Arizona Corporation Commissioners, a 5-person body that regulates the state's electric utilities, are considering whether to increase this requirement to 100% clean energy by 2050. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose requiring Arizona electric utilities to generate 100% clean energy by 2050?

Strongly support 45%
Somewhat support 20%
Somewhat oppose 11%
Strongly oppose 19%
Not sure 4%

Q3 If individual Commissioners vote for the measure to require Arizona's electric utilities to generate 100% clean energy by 2050, would you be much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to vote for them when their terms are up for extension, or would it not make a difference?

Much more likely 36%
Somewhat more likely 19%
Somewhat less likely 10%
Much less likely 20%
It wouldn't make a difference 8%
Not sure 8%

Q4 A 100% clean energy standard will create new local jobs, drive economic investment and reduce health-harming air pollution. Do you think it's important that the Arizona Corporation Commissioners continue to do their job and vote to advance a 100% clean energy future for Arizona during the coronavirus pandemic, or not?

Think the Commissioners should vote to pass a 100% clean energy standard during the pandemic 54%
Do not think the Commissioners should vote to pass a 100% clean energy standard during the pandemic 32%
Not sure 13%

Q5 Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose a statewide requirement for clean energy standards in addition to utilities' voluntary goals?

Strongly support 42%
Somewhat support 23%
Somewhat oppose 9%
Strongly oppose 19%
Not sure 6%

Q6 Setting interim targets on our way to 100% clean energy can help ensure we meet our goals. Experts say that expanding Arizona's renewable energy standard to require 45% renewable energy in Arizona by 2030 would help the state build on the success of the existing 15% renewable energy standard by generating an additional billion dollars in net benefits over the next 10 years. Would you support or oppose an interim goal of expanding Arizona's renewable energy standard to require 45% renewable energy in Arizona by 2030?

Support 59%
Oppose 25%
Not sure 17%





Q7 Thousands of Arizona families and small businesses have already invested in rooftop solar. In addition to a 100% clean energy requirement by 2050, your elected Arizona Corporation Commissioners will also vote on whether to protect our energy freedom by ensuring that 10% of that clean energy comes from local families and businesses that choose to go solar. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose a requirement that ensures that by 2030, at least 10% of electricity comes from rooftop solar?

<i>Strongly support</i>	40%
<i>Somewhat support</i>	23%
<i>Somewhat oppose</i>	12%
<i>Strongly oppose</i>	17%
<i>Not sure</i>	9%

Q8 If individual Commissioners vote for the measure to ensure that 10% of clean energy comes from local families and businesses that choose to go solar, would you be much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to vote for them when their terms are up for extension, or would it not make a difference?

<i>Much more likely</i>	34%
<i>Somewhat more likely</i>	20%
<i>Somewhat less likely</i>	8%
<i>Much less likely</i>	18%
<i>It wouldn't make a difference</i>	11%
<i>Not sure</i>	10%

Q9 Communities that will be impacted by the closure of coal plants and other disadvantaged communities can benefit from a transition to a clean energy economy. To ensure these Arizona communities benefit from the transition to renewables, utilities can invest in economic development, access to renewables, workforce training, and local siting of renewable energy projects. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose utilities prioritizing economic investment in communities most impacted by the closure of coal plants?

<i>Strongly support</i>	42%
<i>Somewhat support</i>	26%
<i>Somewhat oppose</i>	9%
<i>Strongly oppose</i>	12%
<i>Not sure</i>	11%

Q10 Energy efficiency is a way to save money and reduce the demands we put on our energy resources. Policies ensuring Arizona's major electric utilities eliminate energy waste will expire next year. Do you believe your Arizona Corporation Commissioners should act quickly to expand the state's energy efficiency goals, or not?

<i>Yes</i>	61%
<i>No</i>	23%
<i>Not sure</i>	16%

Q11 In the 2016 election for President, did you vote for Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Hillary Clinton, someone else, or did you not vote in the election?

<i>Donald Trump</i>	46%
<i>Hillary Clinton</i>	43%
<i>Someone else / Did not vote</i>	11%





Q12 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2. If you are gender non-binary, press 3.

Woman 52%
Man..... 46%
Gender non-binary..... 2%

Q13 If you are Hispanic or Latino, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

Hispanic or Latino 17%
White 70%
African-American 4%
Other..... 8%

Q14 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3.

18 to 45..... 34%
46 to 65..... 37%
Older than 65 29%

Q15 Generally speaking, do you usually vote in Democratic primary elections, Republican primary elections, or do you not usually vote in primary elections?

Vote in Democratic primary elections..... 37%
Vote in Republican primary elections 43%
Don't usually vote in primary elections 20%

Q16 Which electric utility do you get your power from: Arizona Public Service, Tucson Electric Power, Salt River Project, UNS Electric, or something else?

Arizona Public Service 39%
Tucson Electric Power 12%
Salt River Project..... 29%
UNS Electric 5%
Another company 11%
Not sure 5%

Q17 Mode

Landline..... 49%
Text..... 51%

