



Grand Canyon State
Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.

Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives 

April 15, 2015

The Honorable Paul Gosar
U.S. House of Representatives
504 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Gosar:

On behalf of the Arizona electric cooperatives, I would like to express support for your legislation, the "Environmental Compliance Cost Transparency Act" ("your legislation"). Your legislation will strengthen transparency and government management by providing electric co-op consumers with critical financial information related to the direct and indirect costs of federal agencies, known as Power Marketing Administrations (PMAs).

As you know, electric co-ops serve rural customers throughout the southwest and rely on federal hydroelectric power marketed and delivered from PMAs. Electric co-ops are customer owned, thus any increases in the cost of this power is directly borne by our customers. Your legislation will allow for a better understanding of how those costs are derived. Moreover, through transparency and discussion your legislation will lead to better business practices and improved communication between customers and PMAs.

Thank you for your leadership on energy issues facing electric co-ops and our rural customers. We look forward to continuing to work with you to improve the lives of rural Arizonans.

Sincerely,



Joe Kay