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Adopting Arizona's Master Energy Plan and Establishing State Energy Advisory Board

WHEREAS, energy production, generation, transmission, and conservation are vital to Arizona's future; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that Arizona continues to have a diverse energy portfolio; and

WHEREAS, for businesses to retain current jobs and to expand to add more jobs, it is essential that Arizona continues to have dependable energy supplies to support their planning decisions; and

WHEREAS, the state energy plan had not been updated since 1990; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's Master Energy Plan Task Force, members of the general public, energy industry experts and government officials helped create a master energy plan, formally named *emPower Arizona: Executive Energy Assessment and Pathways* in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the information contained in *emPower Arizona* identified energy policy goals for Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the goals established will: (i) increase solar development; (ii) educate Arizona's next generation of energy professionals through energy education in high schools and apprenticeship and job training programs; (iii) reduce energy consumption in state buildings and schools; and (iv) establish an energy advisory board to address energy issues on an on-going basis; and

WHEREAS, Arizona should consolidate state agencies' directives under common goals toward energy efficiency, energy workforce and development, education and outreach, and the establishment of a permanent platform for on-going energy discussions that ensure Arizona will have a strong energy outlook.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby order as follows:

- 1. The adoption of Arizona's Master Energy Plan, now called *emPower Arizona: Executive Energy Assessment and Pathways.*
- 2. The establishment of a permanent State Energy Advisory Board (Board).
- 3. The Board shall consist of not more than 15 members appointed by the Governor.
- 4. The Director of the Governor's Office of Energy Policy (GOEP) shall serve as the Chairperson.
- 5. The Board shall meet twice a year and be staffed by the GOEP.

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- 6. The Board shall facilitate timely, on-going discussions about energy status, outlooks, technology developments and issues, as well as consider updates to *emPower Arizona*.
- 7. The Board may make recommendations regarding energy issues and suggested content updates to *emPower Arizona* to the Governor annually, or at least every five years, by December 31st.
- 8. The Governor may adopt the recommendations as provided.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

anice K. Brewer **GOVERNOR**

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of February in the year Two Thousand Fourteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-Eighth.

ATTEST: Blunth.

Secretary of State