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West-Wide Energy Corridor DEIS
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To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Las Vegas appreciates the opportunity to comment on the West-Wide Energy Corridor PEIS. The establishment of the Energy Corridor can provide the City of Las Vegas and the western cities with the energy needed for future energy demand growth. The City of Las Vegas is in support of the establishment of the Energy Corridor in the West.

While the City of Las Vegas supports the establishment of the Energy Corridor, the City of Las Vegas would like to propose a slight revision to the corridor section 223-224. The current proposed Energy Corridor Section 223 – 224 follows the Desert National Wildlife Range boundary toward the northwest of Las Vegas Valley. This section of the Energy Corridor deviates from the Desert National Wildlife Range boundary and connects to Highway 95 diagonally. Considering that the City may continue to grow toward the northwest area of the Las Vegas Valley beyond the current BLM boundary in the next 50 years, a potential exists that City’s infrastructure may intercept this section of the Energy Corridor. Therefore, the City would like to suggest a new alignment of the Section 223 – 224 Energy Corridor to continue to follow the Desert National Wildlife Range boundary and connect to Highway 95 at the Department Of Defense (DOD) range property line. (Please see attached map).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Please feel free to contact Cheng Shih, Environmental Officer, for City of Las Vegas at (702) 229-2338, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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