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My name is Kathy Mohr-Almeida and I hold the At-Large Seat 14 on the Salt River Board of Directors. Over the last six months, I have worked tirelessly on the upcoming SRP election in an attempt to help SRP become the renewable energy leader it should already be. I have knocked on nearly countless doors and had many conversations with SRP ratepayers who want SRP to quickly adopt renewable energy. The SRP ratepayers want their utility to transition to 100% carbon free resources and do not want to continue coal and fossil fuel generation. People are worried about the climate crisis and want immediate, substantive action to mitigate the worst impacts to our planetary home. SRP is the largest public utility by generation in the United States, so our greenhouse gas emissions really count.

This fact appears lost on the GM and CEO of SRP. On March 26th, Jim Pratt posted a memo to the 5000+ SRP employees implying the SRP Clean Energy candidates were attempting to "mislead our customers and the public about SRP". He omitted citing what were the misleading statements and instead proceeded to present several "Truths" which were mostly forward looking aspirational statements. The Real truth is that SRP's customers want a cleaner energy mix and SRP lags other utilities and consistently drags its feet in cleaning up its energy mix. CEO Pratt's memo is NOT acceptable and should not have been posted.

With his action, Mr. Pratt deliberately undermined the considerable effort of this important election. His decision to post that memo was unethical and unconscionable. No CEO should be allowed to discredit the campaign of board members who may govern him. Pratt's decision to engage in this underhanded behavior cannot and will not be ignored.