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To Our Members and Community:

Over the past several weeks, conversations about data centers and large-scale development in the San Luis Valley have intensified, especially on social media. Many of these discussions reflect genuine concerns about water resources, energy resources, environmental protection, and the long-term health of our communities. These are concerns we share too.

Knowledge Matters: We ask our concerned members to take time to learn the facts and reach out to us.

I want to address the situation and SLVREC's role directly and clearly.

The Facts: SLVREC is not proposing the construction of any data center. We have not received any request from any entity to interconnect a hyperscale data center or a facility of the type being discussed online. There is **no application, no proposal, and no project** of this nature under evaluation by SLVREC.

SLVREC is a *not-for-profit cooperative* that distributes electricity to its member-owners – we don't make a profit and will not make a profit from any entity that comes into the Valley.

Your Protection: Our role is well-defined. All requests for electric service are subject to engineering, safety, reliability, and cost-of-service requirements before any connection could occur. All new services are subject to the same terms and conditions for interconnection, big or small.

It is equally important to understand what SLVREC does not control. We do not make land-use decisions. We do not approve developments. Those responsibilities rest with county and municipal governments, who are required to ensure compliance with all state, federal, and local laws before any development can move forward. The approval of new businesses and land-use decisions are not within SLVREC's power to control.

SLVREC's Mission to Serve remains unchanged since 1937: to provide safe, reliable, and affordable electric service to our member-owners while being responsible stewards of the Valley's resources. We take seriously the concerns raised about water conservation, wildlife, and environmental protection, and we will continue to communicate openly and transparently as conversations in the Valley evolve.

We ask our members to rely on verified information and to reach out directly when questions arise. SLVREC will continue to be a steady, factual, and community-focused voice in these discussions. For additional information, please visit our website FAQ page at www.slvrec.com/faq or email questions to power@slvrec.com.

Sincerely,

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