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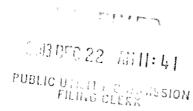
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RE: Docket No. 28980, Application of CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC for Finding that 40% Threshold under PURA §39.202(E) has been met for **Small Commercial Customers**

Dear Ms. Unruh and Mr. Heller.

Please be advised that Darrin Pfannenstiel will be out of the office until January 5. 2004. I will be attending the proceedings in this matter next week in his stead.

Enclosed is Staff's First Set of Requests for Information to Reliant. Staff will most likely require the attendance of the witness(es) sponsoring the responses to the requests at the technical conference and the hearing next week. Please advise me whether you will make the witness(es) available. It is my understanding that under the agreement in this proceeding your responses will be provided tomorrow, December 23.

Sincerely yours,

Rosa L'. Rohr Staff Attorney

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All Parties of Record cc:

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STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO RELIANT ENERGY RETAIL SERVICES, LLC

The Commission Staff ("Staff") of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") requests that Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC ("RERS") provide the following information and answer the following question(s) under oath. The question(s) are to be answered in sufficient detail to fully present all of the relevant facts, within the time limit provided by the Presiding Officer. These question(s) are continuing in nature, and if there is a relevant change in circumstances, you are to submit an amended answer, under oath, as a supplement to your original answer.

Please copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. Please also state the name of the witness in this cause who will sponsor the answer to the question and can vouch for the truth of the answer.

Provide an original and ten copies of your answers to the questions to the Filing Clerk, Public Utility Commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326.

DATED: DECEMBER 22, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Rosa L. Rohr, Staff Attorney, certify that a copy of this document was served on all parties of record in these proceedings on December 22, 2003 via facsimile.

Rosa L. Roh

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In the event that documents containing the exact information do not exist, but documents do exist which contain portions of the required information or which contain substantially similar information, then the definition of "documents" shall include the documents which do exist and these documents will be provided.

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- 1-1 Please identify the date when the General Land Office signed the first contract with its first end-use customer under the GLO State Power Program.
- 1-2 Did the General Land Office contracts in 2000 with end use customers provide that the effective date of the contract would be the date that power first flowed to that end use customer?
- 1-3 Did the General Land Office deliver power to any of its end user customers during the year 2000? If so, when did power first flow?
- 1-4 If the answer to 1-3 is "yes," did CenterPoint/Reliant include in the small commercial target as described in P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.41(i)(1)(B), kwH amounts associated with end user customers with which the General Land Office had signed contracts but had not yet delivered power under those contracts?
- 1-5 When did the General Land Office enter into its Energy Supply and Services Agreement with Reliant Energy Solutions? Please identify the dates of any subsequent amendments to that Agreement.
- 1-6 Please identify the date when the General Land Office became financially responsible for payment to Reliant Energy Solutions for services provided to the General Land Office's end user customers.