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PETITION BY COMMISSION STAFF FOR A REVIEW OF THE RATES OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC PURSUANT TO PURA § 36.151	§ § § § §	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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**COMMISSION STAFF'S FORTY-SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO
CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC LLC
QUESTION NOS. CR42-1 THROUGH CR42-5**

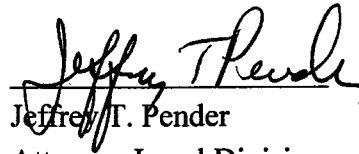
The Commission Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff) requests that **CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint")** provide the following information and answer the following question(s) under oath. The question(s) shall be answered in sufficient detail to fully present all of the relevant facts, within the time limit provided by the Presiding Officer or within 20 days, if the Presiding Officer has not provided a time limit. Please copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. These question(s) are continuing in nature, and if there is a relevant change in circumstances, submit an amended answer, under oath, as a supplement to your original answer. 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.

Respectfully Submitted,

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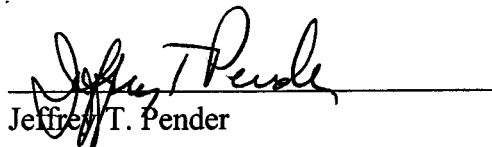


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on this the 31st day of May 2006, in accordance with Public Utility Commission of Texas Procedural Rule 22.74.



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INSTRUCTIONS

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In the event any documents requested by this Request for Information have been transferred beyond the Company's control, describe the circumstances under which the document was destroyed or transferred and provide an exact citation to the subject document.

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.

- CR42-1 Please refer to RFP Schedule V-K-7 of the RFP, Bates 3122. For each of the 4 primary types of pass through expense, please provide by expense item
- (a) the test year expense by FERC account;
 - (b) the amount requested by FERC account;
 - (c) references to other RFP schedules that clearly show how the expense is treated in the request and that the expense is not double counted; and
 - (d) the sponsoring witness and references to specific pages of testimony that discuss the expense.

- CR42-2 Please refer to RFP Schedule V-K-6, Bates 3117, line 5. Using RFP references, please show that the \$839,740 adjustment for the TDU employee transfers has not been double counted, i.e., show that the "existing cost" has been removed from the requested revenue requirement.
- CR42-3 Please refer to RFP Schedule V-K-6, Bates 3117, line 4, the \$1,380,980 adjustment for "competitive pay." Please
- (a) provide the calculation with supporting details and documents by company;
 - (b) explain the "escalation of services" purpose; and
 - (c) provide other RFP references so that the total effect on revenue requirement is shown; and
 - (d) provide other RFP references to show the adjustment is not double counted.
- CR42-4 Please refer to RFP Schedule V-K-6 and provide the information on that schedule in RFP Schedule V-K-12 format.
- CR42-5 Please provide all information necessary to show that the Company has not included in this rate case any expenses related to the upfront qualified costs of issuing and servicing bonds related to stranded costs (Dockets 30706 and 32436), including but not limited to the related test year expense incurred by affiliate by FERC account and (b) references to RFP schedules and work papers that show the removal of the test year expense.