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RE: Project No. 32182 – Investigation of Methods to Improve Electric and Telecom  
Infrastructure That Will Minimize Long Term Outages and Restoration Costs

Dear Filing Clerk:

On behalf of Lake Livingston Telephone Company (“Lake Livingston” or “Company”), I am filing an original and ten (10) copies of this response to the PUC Staff’s Information Request in the above referenced project. The Staff requested information concerning; (1) Lake Livingston’s on-going vegetation management program for overhead facilities and, (2) the Company’s on-going ground based inspection program for structural integrity for overhead facilities.

Most of Lake Livingston’s outside plant infrastructure consists of direct buried and underground facilities. Its small amount of aerial outside plant utilizes power poles owned by Sam Houston Electric Cooperative (“SHECO”). The vegetation control and structural integrity program is performed and managed by the electric cooperative as required in the Pole Attachment Agreement between Lake Livingston and SHECO. However, the Company’s outside plant personnel are also responsible for reporting any overgrown vegetation, obstructions or hazardous conditions to insure those conditions are investigated and resolved.

If you need any additional information, please contact Terry Gentle at 936-566-4000 or [tgentle@livingston.net](mailto:tgentle@livingston.net).

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Terry Gentle, General Manager