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Mr. James R. Galloway
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Public Utility Commission of Texas
1701 North Congress Avenue
Austin, Texas 78701

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

Dear Mr. Galloway:

In response to Staff's request in Project No. 32182 for written descriptions of utilities' vegetation management programs for overhead facilities and on-going cyclical, ground-based inspection programs for overhead facilities, FEC Communications, L.L.P. (FEC) files its response that 99.99% of its facilities are underground; the few aerial facilities it has are attached to poles belonging to TXU.

Therefore, FEC does not require a vegetation management or aerial facility inspection program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorothy Young".

Dorothy Young
Authorized Representative
FEC Communications, L.L.P.

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cc: Mr. Bob L. Hutchison, FEC Communications, L.L.P.