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Mr. James R. Galloway Filing Clerk 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, ETEX Telecom (ETEX) files this response that its facilities are underground.

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

Sincerely,

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Authorized Representative ETEX Telecom

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cc: Mr. Danny Kellar, ETEX Telecom Ms. Susan Graves, ETEX Telecom