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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

Information Updates

Dear Mr. Featherston:

On January 17, 2006, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (CenterPoint Energy) filed responses to questions submitted by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (the Commission). On January 19, 2006, CenterPoint Energy filed presentations that were made at the workshops in this project. CenterPoint Energy has updated information concerning the response to Question No. 3 relating to the first set of questions and the responses to Question No. 2 relating to specifics concerning Hurricane Rita as well as the presentation made at the workshop held on January 17, 2006.

On page 3 of CenterPoint Energy initial comments, CenterPoint Energy provided a response to Question No. 3. The information provided for the distribution facilities that were affected by Hurricane Rita have been updated. The updated information is in bold text and underlined:

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\triangleright	Spans of overhead primary down:	878
\triangleright	Spans of overhead secondary down:	1,069
	Drops down:	1,044
>	Poles down:	<u>799</u>
>	Failed overhead transformers:	435
	Failed URD transformers:	59
\triangleright	Failed Disconnects:	1,328

On page 12 and 13 of CenterPoint Energy initial comments, CenterPoint Energy provided a response to Question No. 2. The information provided for the distribution facilities that were affected by Hurricane Rita have been updated. The updated information is in bold text and underlined:

- Total number of structures in each type before the hurricane and number of structures repaired or replaced by voltage class
 - Wood single-pole
 There were approximately 995,000 such distribution structures, and 799 poles were replace during Hurricane Rita.
- Total number of feet/miles of conductor and amount repaired and amount replaced by voltage class

The following amounts of conductor were on the system:

7	12 kV	<u>17,977</u>	miles	of	overhead	and	underground
		conduct	or on sy	stem			
$ \angle $	35 kV	<u>10,454</u>	miles	of	overhead	and	underground
		conduct	or on sy	stem	•		
	120/240 v	8,340 miles of overhead and underground conductor					
		on the s	vstem.				

The information provided on page 2 of the presentation made at the workshop held on January 17, 2006, has also be updated. The updated information follows:

Poles Down	799
Failed OH Transformers	435
Failed URD Transformers	59
Failed Disconnects	1,328

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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