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- TO: Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers and Facilities-Based Competitive Local Exchange Carriers.
- RE: Project No. 32182

Investigation of Methods to Improve Electric and Telecom Infrastructure That Will Minimize Long Term Outages and Restoration Costs

The staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) presented to the Commissioners on August 10, 2006, the report on the <u>PUC Investigation of Methods to Improve Electric and Telecom Infrastructure That Will Minimize Long Term Outages and Restoration Costs Associated with Gulf Coast Hurricanes.</u>

Staff recommended in the report that each electric and telecommunications utility file with the PUC by October 1, 2006 a written description of its:

- 1) vegetation management program for overhead facilities, and;
- 2) on-going cyclical, ground-based inspection program for overhead facilities.

This letter will serve as notice to make such filing in Project No. 32182 by that date.

If you wish to review the report, you may do so by visiting our website at: <u>www.puc.state.tx.us/electric/reports/32182/32182.pdf</u>.

If you have questions about the request, please contact Brian Almon at 512-936-7355 or Nara Srinivasa at 512-936-7335. Thank you again for your participation and your interest in this important subject.

Sincerely,

Van C. Featherston

David Featherston Director, Infrastructure Reliability Division

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