

**CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC
PUC DOCKET NO. 38339
SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-10-5001**

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
REQUEST NO.: PUC01-33**

QUESTION:

BA-1-33 Provide the total capital expenditures for the new distribution projects (excluding rebuilds and upgrades) and the total circuit miles for the test year and the four years before the test year. Identify the projects with a capital expenditure of more than \$ 1 million that are being requested to be included in rate base.

ANSWER:

The total capital expenditures for the new distribution projects are provided in the table below. The distribution costs include Distribution Development and New Service categories referenced in Figure TF-9 in Mr. Finley's testimony Bates page 780 and is discussed on pages 781 to 783 of the Rate Filing Package. In Figure TF-9 of the testimony, the categories Major Underground and Street Lighting (including area lighting) include the relocation costs associated with these areas. For this request, Major Underground and Streetlight relocations, \$6.7 million and (\$0.2) million respectively, were excluded from these areas and included them in the Relocations category. Also listed are the costs for substation projects in support of distribution. A list of projects with a total cost of \$1 million or more can be found on attachment "PUC 01-33 New Distribution Projects over \$1 million." All identified costs are being requested to be included in rate base.

For total circuit miles, please refer to PUC 01-32.

| (in Millions) | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| Customer Growth (excluding Relocations) | | | | | |
| Substation | \$ 13.6 | \$ 7.8 | \$ 19.3 | \$ 3.7 | \$ 7.0 |
| Distribution | \$ 113.7 | \$ 131.2 | \$ 137.1 | \$ 123.2 | \$ 90.1 |
| Total | \$ 127.3 | \$ 139.0 | \$ 156.4 | \$ 126.9 | \$ 97.1 |

Sponsor: Terry Finley / John Houston

Responsive Documents:
PUC 01-33 New Distribution Projects over \$1 million

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | Total |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| HLP/00/00609 | 248,862 | 3,567,524 | 3,127,874 | (30,482) | - | 6,913,878 |
| HLP/00/00207/SB | 4,487,452 | 498,513 | (943) | 524 | - | 4,985,547 |
| HLP/00/00033 | | 216,717 | 3,873,349 | 121,476 | - | 4,211,542 |
| HLP/00/00608 | | - | 1,660,275 | 1,881,917 | - | 3,332,192 |
| HLP/00/00029/SB | | - | - | 175,808 | 3,154,910 | 3,330,518 |
| HLP/00/00092/SB | 2,301,624 | 44,179 | - | - | - | 2,345,803 |
| HLP/00/00286/SB | | - | 2,335,210 | (163) | - | 2,335,047 |
| HLP/00/00322/SB/C | | 23,380 | 2,222,612 | - | - | 2,245,992 |
| HLP/00/00214/SB/C | | 42 | 2,148,559 | - | - | 2,148,601 |
| HLP/00/00523/SB | 1,548,755 | 11,144 | 317,505 | 2,813 | - | 1,880,217 |
| HLP/00/00345/SB/C | 1,487,812 | (25,000) | - | - | - | 1,462,812 |
| HLP/00/00577/SB | 1,373,590 | | | | | 1,373,590 |
| Total Substation Distribution Projects | \$ 11,448,194 | \$ 4,336,499 | \$ 15,874,441 | \$ 1,951,692 | \$ 3,154,910 | \$ 36,586,736 |

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| West Bay: new sub | | | | | | |
| FRANKLIN: NEW SUB w/1-100MVA TRFS | | | | | | |
| STAFFORD: 2-138/35KV TRFS & 3-35KV FDRS | | | | | | |
| KING: Add 3rd Fdr & Repl Trfs | | | | | | |
| UNDERWOOD: ADD 5TH & 6th FDRS & REPL TRFS | | | | | | |
| KING: Bid 138/35 Sub w/2.47MVA Trf&2 Fdr | | | | | | |
| FAIRMONT: Repl Trfs, Add 9 & 10th 12KV Fdr | | | | | | |
| SOUTHMYCK: Add 3rd Trf & 2 35KV Fdrs | | | | | | |
| MASON ROAD: INSTL 3RD TRF: ADD 3 FDRS | | | | | | |
| Mary's Creek: Add 9th fdr | | | | | | |
| ADDICKS: Add 3rd trf | | | | | | |
| Trinity Bay-Bid New 138/12KV Sub w/3 Fdr | | | | | | |
| RELOC CONTR 2713'DUCT, MH'S, METRO MILAM | | 1,385,473 | | | | 1,385,473 |
| CONTR GRANT EXTEND 2287' 12-6"DUCT | | | 1,542,551 | | | 1,542,551 |
| NEW CONTR_115'DUCT, 3MH_METHODIST OPC | | | 1,303,137 | 681,163 | | 1,984,301 |
| DDPR_08_FRK-46,47 | | | | | 1,535,991 | 1,535,991 |
| DDPR_08_GN43,51,52 | | | | 621,781 | 523,499 | 1,145,281 |
| CNTR DUCT, MH'S, BORE | | | | 1,398 | 1,449,828 | 1,451,222 |
| FRANKLIN: NEW SUB-UNDERGROUND INSTALL | 520,708 | 1,313,348 | 311,052 | | | 2,145,109 |
| UNDERGROUND SUPPORT FOR SWITCHGEAR REPL. | 272,681 | 507,140 | 223,298 | 5,379 | | 1,008,499 |
| FRANKLIN SUB: Add 4th & 5th 35KV Fdr | | | 781,865 | 839,645 | 546,314 | 2,167,825 |
| PLAZA SUB: Add 6th 36KV Fdr | | 1,735,121 | 915 | | | 1,736,036 |
| Total Distribution Projects | \$ 793,389 | \$ 5,541,083 | \$ 4,162,818 | \$ 2,149,366 | \$ 4,055,630 | \$ 16,702,287 |
| Total Project | \$ 12,241,584 | \$ 9,877,582 | \$ 19,837,259 | \$ 4,101,058 | \$ 7,210,540 | \$ 53,268,023 |

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
REQUEST NO.: PUC01-34**

QUESTION:

BA-1-34 Provide the total capital expenditures for improvements to existing distribution lines including rebuilds and upgrades and the total circuit miles for the test year and the four years before the test year. Identify the projects with a capital expenditure of more than \$1 million that are being requested to be included in rate base.

ANSWER:

The total capital expenditures for improvements to existing distribution lines including rebuilds and upgrades are shown in the table below. The costs include the relocation category referenced in Figure TF-9 in Mr. Finley's testimony Bates page 780, capital reliability improvements from Figure TF-10 on Bates page 783, and capital service restorations from Figure TF-11 on Bates page 786 of the Rate Filing Package. In Figure TF-9 of the testimony, the Relocations category only included Overhead Relocations, which equals \$12.1 million. For this request, Major Underground and Streetlight relocations, \$6.7 million and (\$0.2) million respectively, are included in the total for relocations. These values were captured in the Major Underground and Street Lighting (including area lighting) categories for New Service in Figure TF-9. There are no projects over \$1 million in this category. All identified costs are being requested to be included in rate base.

For total circuit miles, please refer to PUC 01-32.

| (in Millions) | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Capital Projects (excluding Customer Growth) | \$ 58.7 | \$ 58.1 | \$ 68.1 | \$ 68.6 | \$ 101.5 |

Sponsor: Terry Finley

Responsive Documents:
None

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties of record in this proceeding, by facsimile, hand delivery, e-mail, or United States first class mail on this 20th day of July, 2010.

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