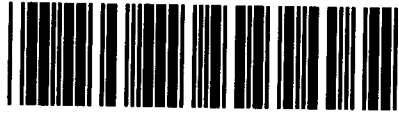


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**CPS ENERGY'S QUESTIONS TO ERCOT**

As required by the procedural schedule agreed to by the parties attending the Pre-Hearing Conference on October 18, 2010, CPS Energy<sup>1</sup> submits its questions to the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) for discussion at the Settlement Conference, scheduled to be held telephonically on October 27, 2010.

**Questions**

1. Please describe in detail how ERCOT determined locations and MW amounts for wind injection (For example, were wind MW injected at individual generation station locations or by CREZ Zone or weather zone?). Please describe specifically how the injection points for wind were determined and how the assumed MW were mapped to the physical injection locations.
2. Please describe the process ERCOT uses to determine if an alternative is "cost effective" as referenced in both the September 23, 2010 Report and the October 13, 2010 Filing. What is the "cut point" that determines cost effectiveness? Is the process described in response to this questions, the process ERCOT used in conducting the September 23, 2010 Report and the October 13, 2010 Filing
3. Please provide an assessment of whether there is an ERCOT Network system reliability benefit to having the Kendall - Gillespie - Newton Circuits in place for the amount of wind that ERCOT studied in the cases based on ERCOT Operating Guide and NERC Criteria. If there is no reliability benefit to the additional circuits, please so state.

CPS Energy appreciates the opportunity to submit its questions and ERCOT's responses forthcoming at the Settlement Conference.

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