



Control Number: 40606



Item Number: 18

Addendum StartPage: 0

TEXAS HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

40606

CAPITOL OFFICE:  
P O BOX 2910  
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78768-2910  
(512) 463-0331 PHONE



DISTRICT OFFICE:  
36 WEST BEAUREGARD  
SUITE 517  
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS 76903

(325) 658-7313 PHONE  
(325) 659-3762 FAX

Drew Darby

DISTRICT 72  
COKE • MITCHELL • SCURRY • TOM GREEN

August 29, 2012

Donna L. Nelson, Chair  
Kenneth W. Anderson, Jr., Commissioner  
Rolando Pablos, Commissioner  
Public Utility Commission of Texas  
P.O. Box 13326  
Austin, TX 78711

RECEIVED  
12/06/12  
12/06/12  
12/06/12

**Re: CREZ TSP Selection and Rate Setting**

Dear Madam Chair and Commissioners:

I first want to thank you for the tremendous job the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") is doing with the oversight and development of the Competitive Renewable Energy Zones ("CREZ") transmission plan. In Texas, we know that energy prosperity equals economic prosperity.

In 2008 and 2009, I was encouraged that the Commission invited many diverse Transmission Service Providers ("TSP's") to compete in the CREZ process. From an economic development standpoint, the Commission's decision to open up competition in electric transmission and select three new entrant TSP's for the CREZ project is to be applauded. The hard work and due diligence of the Commission has led to over five billion dollars worth of new transmission investments in Texas. Your work sends the right signals to attract further business investments in the state. By encouraging the participation of companies that have the expertise and experience to complete these projects, all Texans can win.

I have been notified that the TSP, Wind Energy Transmission Texas (WETT), is beginning the process to seek rate recovery of their projects. These proceedings are very important to all Texans and I want to thank the Commission for its prompt attention and role in these proceedings.

Thank you for your service, for putting Texans first, for ensuring reliability remains a top priority, and for continuing to encourage businesses investment in Texas.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Drew Darby".