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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT
ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC
FOR APPROVAL OF AN
ADJUSTMENT TO ITS ENERGY
EFFICIENCY COST RECOVERY
FACTOR

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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SOAH ORDER NO. 1
CASE DESCRIPTION; DEADLINES; AND ENTRY OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER

I. DESCRIPTION OF CASE

On May 30, 2014, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (CenterPoint Houston) filed an application for approval of an adjustment to its energy efficiency cost recovery factor (EECRF). CenterPoint Houston is requesting approval to recover a total of \$51,383,941 through its Rider EECRF, and if approved, the adjustments to the rider will go into effect in the March 2015 billing month.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) has jurisdiction pursuant to § 39.905 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) and P.U.C. Subst. R. 25.181. On June 2, 2014, the Commission referred this case to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH), requesting the assignment of an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) to conduct a hearing and issue a proposal for decision, if such is necessary. SOAH has jurisdiction over matters relating to the conduct of the hearing in this proceeding pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2003.049.

The Commission will consider this case at its June 20, 2014 open meeting and may subsequently issue a preliminary order. On June 3, 2014, the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities filed a motion to intervene.

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II. DEADLINES FOR NOTICE

Commission Staff shall review CenterPoint Houston's proposed notice. Any objections to the proposed notice must be filed on or before **June 9, 2014**. If no objections are filed, CenterPoint Houston shall immediately provide notice and subsequently file proof of notice.

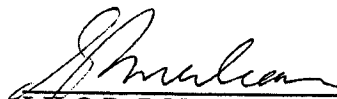
III. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

The parties must confer and CenterPoint Houston shall submit a proposed procedural by **June 13, 2014**. The schedule must include deadlines to intervene and to request a hearing. Also, the schedule must include deadlines that apply if a hearing is not requested and deadlines that apply if a hearing is requested. If the parties wish to change the standard discovery deadlines, they shall address such in the proposed schedule.

IV. ADOPTING PROPOSED PROTECTIVE ORDER

The protective order filed with CenterPoint Houston's application (Attachment 2) is adopted and shall apply in this matter.

SIGNED June 4, 2014.



LEO D. POMERLEAU
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS