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Re: SOAH Docket No. 473-15-3595, PUC Docket No. 44547 (**Need Phase**), Application of Centerpoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC to Amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a Proposed 345-KV Transmission Line within Grimes, Harris, and Waller Counties.

SOAH Docket No. 473-15-3596, PUC Docket No. 44649 (**Need Phase**), Application of Center Point Energy Houston Electric, LLC to Amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a Proposed 345-KV Transmission Line in Brazos, Freestone, Grimes, Leon, Limestone, Madison and Robertson Counties, Texas

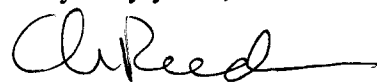
Dear Judges Qualtrough and Pomerleau:

Attached please find the errata page 000018 of the Direct Testimony of Collin Cain on Behalf of Calpine Corporation and NRG Energy, Inc. The page corrected references line 4, **Table 1: Criteria pollutant air permits, Houston and near Coastal region, since 2010**. The errata replaces both values in the table for the Row "Issued Permits, total MW."

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of this has been filed with the Commission, forwarded by electronic mail to counsel, served on the party listed below via United States Mail, and served on all other parties via the PUC Interchange on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

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Very truly yours,



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1 pollutant air permit activity, by total MW permitted, for the Houston area (defined as Fort Bend,  
2 Brazoria, Harris, Chambers and Galveston counties) and for the Coastal area immediately south  
3 of Houston (defined as Wharton, Jackson, Victoria, Calhoun and Matagorda counties) since 2010.

4 **Table 1: Criteria pollutant air permits, Houston and near Coastal region, since**  
5 **2010<sup>19</sup>**

	Houston	Coastal
Issued permits, total MW	3,601	4,256
Pending permits, total MW	100	1,408

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7 The permit data include all gas turbines with electrical output of 20 MW and greater, including  
8 resources dedicated partly or entirely to serve the load of an industrial host. There is no evidence  
9 in air permit data, or anecdotally to my knowledge, that indicates that new generation in the  
10 Houston area or adjacent regions with existing transmission availability is being limited by  
11 restrictive air permitting.

12 **Q IS THERE AN URGENT GENERATION SHORTAGE IN THE HOUSTON AREA?**

13 **A** While, as discussed by Dr. Yang and Dr. Baughman, the substantial flaws in the need  
14 assessments performed by Applicants and by ERCOT relate in part to a shortage of modeled  
15 generation, that shortage is relative to the excessive load assumed, and does not indicate that an  
16 urgent generation shortage currently exists in the Houston area or elsewhere in ERCOT.

17 **Q HOW IS GENERATION DEVELOPED IN THE ERCOT MARKET?**

18 **A.** As I discuss further in Section IV below, ERCOT is a restructured electricity market in which  
19 new generation capacity is built by competitive market participants, not by integrated utilities

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<sup>19</sup> Data provided on request by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).