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**APPLICATION OF EL PASO  
ELECTRIC COMPANY TO CHANGE  
RATES**

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**BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE  
OF PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
FILING CLERK  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE PROTECTIVE ORDER DESIGNATING  
CONFIDENTIAL AND HIGHLY SENSITIVE PROTECTED MATERIALS**

The undersigned attorney for El Paso Electric Company (EPE) submits this statement under Section 4 of the Protective Order in this case regarding responses, or portions of responses, to the ECO ELP, Inc.'s (ECO's) Seventh Request for Information (RFI), Question No. 7-31. The material provided in this response is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Sections 552.101, 552.104 and/or 552.110 of the Public Information Act as confidential or highly sensitive protected information.

Attachment 1 to the response to ECO 7-31 is Highly Sensitive Protected Material. It contains proprietary customer information that is compiled by an electric utility regarding customers in the normal course of providing electric service and lists individual customer's historical energy usage, charges, and type or classification of service and expected patterns of use, bill information, and potential impacts on billing. Therefore, the material provided in this response is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Sections 552.101, 552.104 and/or 552.110 of the Public Information Act as confidential information, as well as by PURA Section 17.004.

The undersigned counsel for EPE has reviewed the information described above sufficiently to state in good faith that the information is exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act and merits the confidential or highly sensitive materials designation given to it.

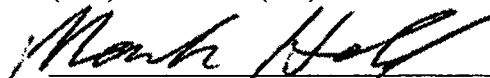
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of this document was served by electronic mail as provided for by SOAH Order No. 2 to all parties of record in this proceeding on June 21, 2017, except for Dr. Marjenah M. Fooladi who has failed to provide an email address.

  
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