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**PROJECT NO. 49051**

**PROJECT TO MONITOR RAYBURN  
INTEGRATION TO ERCOT (RELATING  
TO DOCKET NO. 48400)**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF TEXAS**

**ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS, INC.'S  
FIRST QUARTERLY UPDATE**

Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT) files this First Quarterly Update regarding the integration of a portion of Rayburn Country Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s (Rayburn) Load into the ERCOT System.

On March 13, 2019, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) issued a Final Order in Project No. 48400, *Joint Application of Rayburn Country Electric Cooperative Inc. and Lone Star Transmission LLC to Transfer Load to ERCOT, for Sale of Transmission Facilities, and Transfer of Certificate Rights in Henderson and Van Zandt Counties* ("the Order"), approving the integration of the portion of Rayburn's Load currently in the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) into the ERCOT System. The Order requires Rayburn and ERCOT to provide updates to the Commission regarding the integration process on at least a quarterly basis. The instant project was opened for purposes of providing these updates to the Commission. Accordingly, ERCOT now files its first quarterly update regarding actions taken by ERCOT to move forward with the integration of Rayburn's Load into the ERCOT System.


Shortly after the Commission issued the Order in Project 48400, Rayburn provided ERCOT with an initial draft of its transition plan for the integration. Thereafter, ERCOT Staff held an internal meeting to discuss the draft plan and necessary tasks related to the integration. Further, ERCOT Client Services has been coordinating with Rayburn to ensure that ERCOT receives the information needed to prepare for the integration in a timely manner. For example, during this

past quarter Rayburn provided ERCOT with necessary modeling data related to the integration and also provided certain historical Load information needed by ERCOT. ERCOT will continue to work with Rayburn to ensure that ERCOT receives the information necessary to prepare for the integration.

Additionally, and related to the Rayburn integration, in April 2019 ERCOT proposed Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPRR) 932, *Addition of Load to Existing Load Zone*, to clarify that the addition of Load that is new to the ERCOT System to an existing Load Zone—such as the addition of the Rayburn Load currently in SPP to Rayburn’s existing ERCOT NOIE Load Zone—does not require ERCOT Board approval and can take effect immediately. In Project No. 48400, Chairman Walker issued a memo on March 12, 2019, recommending that ERCOT make this clarification to the Protocols so as to be consistent with the Commission’s Order in that Project. NPRR 932 is expected to be considered by the ERCOT Board of Directors at its August 13, 2019, meeting.

ERCOT and Rayburn will continue to work together to complete the actions necessary to integrate Rayburn’s Load into the ERCOT System. ERCOT would be pleased to provide any additional information the Commission may request regarding the status of the Rayburn integration.

Respectfully submitted,

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