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COMPLAINT OF SHERETTA D.
WILLIAMS AND MICHAEL L.
WILLIAMS, JR. AGAINST
SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER
COMPANY

## **BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE**

OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

## SOAH ORDER NO. 5 GRANTING COMPLAINANTS' WITHDRAWAL OF COMPLAINT

On October 29, 2019, Complainants Sheretta D. Williams and Michael L. Williams, Jr. (the Williams) filed a Withdrawal of Complaint. The Williams state they have reached an agreement with Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) that resolves all issues raised in their complaint filed on January 10, 2019. Citing 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 2.181(g)(1), the Williams request that their complaint be withdrawn and dismissed with prejudice.

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.181(f)(2) and (6), an order by an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) dismissing a proceeding based solely on the withdrawal of an application is the final order of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission).<sup>1</sup> Under 16 TAC § 22.181(g)(5), an order granting a request to withdraw an application must state whether the dismissal is with or without prejudice. In accordance with 16 TAC § 22.181(g)(1), a party that initiated a proceeding may withdraw its application with or without prejudice to refiling at any time before that party has presented its direct case. The Williams have not yet presented their direct case at a hearing on the merits in this proceeding. In this situation, 16 TAC § 22.281(f)(2) authorizes the ALJ to issue an order dismissing this proceeding without preparing a proposal for decision.

Accordingly, the Williams's Withdrawal of Complaint filed on October 29, 2019, is **GRANTED**, and this case is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE** from the docket of the State

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Williams's complaint against SWEPCO constitutes an "application." 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.2(6).

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Office of Administrative Hearings and the Commission pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.181(f)(2) and (6), (g)(1), and (5).

SIGNED November 5, 2019.

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Ý STEVEN H. NEÍNAST ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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