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ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE PROTECTIVE ORDER

The undersigned attorney for CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint Houston" or the "Company") submits this statement under Section 4 of the protective order entered in this case.

I have reviewed the information produced by the Company in response to the City of Houston ("COH") requests for information (RFI) COH11-14, COH11-15, COH11-16 and COH11-17 sufficiently to state in good faith that certain information contained in the Company's responses is exempt from public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act ("TPIA").¹

Certain materials contained in the Company's responses to the RFIs identified above contain information related to energy service providers that is commercially sensitive and/or consists of trade secret information. The public disclosure of this information would cause substantial competitive harm to CenterPoint Houston and the persons from whom the information is obtained. Accordingly, certain designated materials contained in the Company's responses to the RFIs identified above are protected under Tex. Gov't Code §§ 552.101, 552.104 and 552.110 and Tex. Util. Code § 39.001(b)(4) and merit the Protected Materials (Confidential) designations they are given in CenterPoint Houston's response.

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¹ Tex. Gov't Code §§ 552.101-552.353.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 17th day of May 2019, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties of record in accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.74.