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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC § OF STATE UTILITY COMMISSION
FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
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**AMENDED MOTION OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC
TO SEVER RATE CASE EXPENSES**

On May 20, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (“CenterPoint Houston” or the “Company”) filed a Motion to Sever Certain Rate Case Expenses. Having consulted with the parties to this proceeding since that filing, CenterPoint Houston now files this Amended Motion to Sever all Rate Case Expense issues (“Amended Motion”), as described below:

I. MOTION

In an effort to reduce the number of issues in controversy, the Company now requests that all rate case expense issues be severed into a single separate proceeding. The Company’s request is a result of discussions with parties and seeks, consistent with Commission Procedural Rule 22.34, to serve the interest of efficiency in the current docket.¹ As part of severing rate case expense issues from this proceeding, CenterPoint Houston proposes that all deadlines associated with filing testimony or other evidence addressing rate case expense issues be determined in the separate rate case expense docket. In addition, all discovery related to rate case expenses would be conducted in the separate docket, not in this rate case, and parties would be required to intervene separately in the rate case expense docket.

II. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

CenterPoint Houston requests that the Commission: (1) grant this Amended Motion and sever rate case expense issues into a separate docket; (2) issue an order consistent with the general

¹ P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.34(b) provides that issues may be severed if the presiding officer finds that severance would serve the interest of efficiency or prevent unwarranted expense or delay.

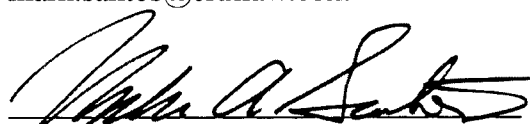
procedures addressed in the Amended Motion; and (3) grant CenterPoint Houston such other relief to which it has shown itself entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 24th 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.


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