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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC § OF
FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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**H-E-B
REQUEST NO.: HEB02-01**

QUESTION:

Please admit or deny that CenterPoint spent money for transmission-related vegetation management and/or transmission-related tree trimming during the test year.

ANSWER:

Admit. CenterPoint Houston spent money for transmission related vegetation management during the test year.

SPONSOR (PREPARER):
Randal Pryor (Randal Pryor)

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:
None

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**H-E-B
REQUEST NO.: HEB02-02**

QUESTION:

If the answer to H-E-B 2-1 is "admit," please provide the amounts spent by CenterPoint for transmission-related vegetation management and/or transmission related tree trimming during the test year. Please also provide the amounts spent by CenterPoint for each of the last five years.

ANSWER:

The transmission related vegetation management expense for the last five years, including the test year is shown in the chart below.

Dollars in Millions	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Transmission Vegetation Management Expense	4.61	5.07	5.04	5.99	5.92

SPONSOR (PREPARER):
Randal Pryor (Randal Pryor)

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:
None

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**H-E-B
REQUEST NO.: HEB02-03**

QUESTION:

If the answer to H-E-B 2-1 is "deny," please provide the amounts spent by CenterPoint for distribution related vegetation management and/or distribution related tree trimming for each of the last five years, including the test year. Please also provide the amounts spent by CenterPoint separately for each customer class for each of the last five years, including the test year.

ANSWER:

The response to HEB 2-1 was admit, so this question is not applicable.

SPONSOR (PREPARER):
Randal Pryor (Randal Pryor)

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:
None

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**H-E-B
REQUEST NO.: HEB02-04**

QUESTION:

Please provide the amounts spent on distribution-related vegetation management and/or tree trimming during the test year and for each of the last five years.

ANSWER:

The amounts spent on distribution-related vegetation management for the last five years, including the test year, are provided in the Randal Pryor workpaper WP RMP-1.

SPONSOR (PREPARER):
Randal Pryor (Randal Pryor)

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:
None

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**H-E-B
REQUEST NO.: HEB02-05**

QUESTION:

Please show how amounts spent for vegetation management have been allocated between transmission and distribution customers for the test year.

ANSWER:

Please refer to Schedule H,I,J and CA.

The amounts for Vegetation Management are included in FERC Accts 5710 and 5930 for Maintenance for Overhead Lines and FERC Accts 5690 and 5910 for Maintenance of Structures for substation mowing and herbicide spraying.

In WP II-I-1.2, FERC Acct 5710 is functionalized to Transmission, FERC Acct 5930 is functionalized to Distribution, and FERC Acct 5690 and 5910 are both functionalized to Transmission and Distribution.

In Schedule II-I-TRAN, FERC Accts 5710, 5690 and 5910 are allocated to the rate classes by the D2 allocator.


In Schedule II-I-DIST, FERC Acct 5930 is allocated to the rate classes by the A365 allocator, FERC Acct 5690 is allocated to the rate classes by the D3 allocator, and FERC Acct 5910 is allocated to the rate classes by the A360-2 allocator.

SPONSOR (PREPARER):
Matthew Troxle (Matthew Troxle)

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:
None

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 10th day of June 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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