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FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES**

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**BEFORE THE
STATE OFFICE OF
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF PROTECTIVE ORDER

Certain documents provided in response to Office of Public Utility Counsel's Thirteenth Request for Information to AEP Texas Inc. (AEP Texas), Question No. 13-3 are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Sections 552.101, 552.104, 552.110 of the Public Information Act¹ and are subject to treatment as Highly Sensitive protected materials. The materials provided in response to OPUC RFI No. 13-3 consists of non-public confidential contract terms and information regarding commercially sensitive business operations, that if released, would provide an advantage to a competitor or bidder and could cause substantial competitive harm to AEP Texas.

Counsel for AEP Texas has reviewed the documents sufficiently to state in good faith that the documents are exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act and merit the Highly Sensitive materials designation given to them.

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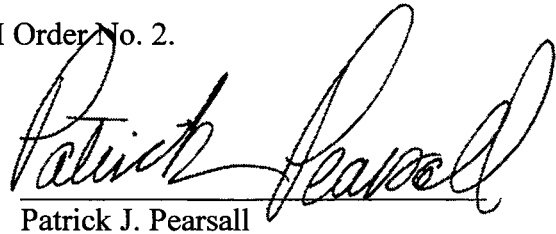
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