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APPLICATION OF EL PASO
ELECTRIC COMPANY TO ADJUST
ITS ENERGY EFFICIENCY COST
RECOVERY FACTOR AND
ESTABLISH REVISED COST CAP

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**SOAH ORDER NO. 6
GRANTING REQUEST TO FILE THIRD STATUS REPORT OR SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT; AND ADDRESSING APPLICATION PROCESSING TIME**

On August 2, 2019, El Paso Electric Company (EPE) filed a letter stating that settlement documents are being exchanged and parties are close to an agreement on the final documents. The parties include EPE, staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), the City of El Paso, and Texas Industrial Energy Consumers (collectively, Parties). EPE proposed that another status report or a settlement agreement be filed on August 9, 2019.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that EPE's request is **GRANTED**, and Parties **SHALL** file either an executed settlement agreement and motion for remand, three agreed proposed dates for a hearing on the merits, or a status update regarding the settlement on **August 9, 2019**.

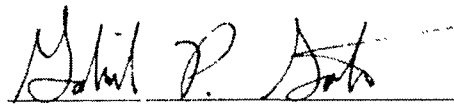
I. APPLICATION PROCESSING TIME

On May 1, 2019, EPE filed an application to adjust its Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Factor, with an effective date of January 1, 2020, and Request to Establish Revised Cost Cap. On May 2, 2019, counsel for the Commission issued an Order of Referral. In the Order of Referral counsel for the Commission stated that a final order in this proceeding must be issued within 180 days after a sufficient application is filed, if a timely request for a hearing is made. A timely request for hearing was filed by Commission Staff on May 22, 2019.

In the event that parties do not resolve all issues, Parties should address the 180-day deadline and any request for extension. Parties should include this supplemental information within their required status report to be filed on August 9, 2019.

The parties should anticipate a record close date that ensures the ALJ has 60 days to write and issue the PFD. The parties should endeavor to provide the Commission with enough time for two dates for open meetings to discuss the PFD and seven calendar days after the last opening meeting to issue an order to be heard before the Commission.

SIGNED August 6, 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gabriel P. Soto", is written over a horizontal line.

GABRIEL P. SOTO
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS