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Stephen Journeay, Commission Counsel Commission Advising and Docket Management William B. Travis State Office Building 1701 N. Congress, 7th Floor Austin, Texas 78701

RE: SOAH Docket No. 473-20-3116 PUC Docket No. 50284

COMPLAINT OF Jaime Leonardo Sloss Against AEP TEXAS INC.

Dear Mr. Journeay:

On April 13, 2021, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued the Proposal for Decision (PFD) in this case. On April 30, 2021, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) staff, and AEP Texas Inc. timely filed letters stating that they had no exceptions to the PFD, and Jaime Leonardo Sloss timely filed Sloss's Motion for Oral Argument. On May 7, 2021, AEP Texas Inc. timely filed a response to Mr. Sloss's motion. On May 10, 2021, Mr. Sloss filed Sloss's Response to AEP Request for Denial.

Mr. Sloss's motion and response do not expressly raise exceptions to the PFD. However, in his motion he asserts that the PFD is flawed for several reasons, including that it does not find that some evidence is false and relies on statements he asserts are hearsay. He also complains of AEP Texas's failure to notify a retail electric provider. In his Response, Mr. Sloss notes that AEP Texas's technician Maurice/Morris Parrao did not testify, though his affidavit was introduced; indeed, no party took his deposition or called him as a witness to testify about his work, his name, or his signature. Mr. Sloss raises arguments about AEP Texas's vegetation management plan, as well as the efforts and capability of Commission employees, Commission Staff counsel, the Commission, and the ALJ.

The matters raised by Mr. Sloss pertaining to the merits of this action were considered by the ALJ and addressed in the PFD. The ALJ has reviewed Mr. Sloss's



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motion, AEP's response, Mr. Sloss's response, and the record, and respectfully recommends no changes to the PFD.

Sincerely,

<u>/s/ David DuBose</u> Administrative Law Judge

cc: All Parties of Record