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Public Utility Commission of Texas

TO: DeAnn T. Walker, Chairman Arthur C. D'Andrea, Commissioner Shelly Botkin, Commissioner

All Parties of Record

FROM: Office of Policy & Docket Management

RE: Open Meeting of November 5, 2020 PUC Docket No. 50805 SOAH Docket No. 473-20-3632 – Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company to Adjust its Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Factor and Related Relief

DATE: October 7, 2020

Because of the COVID-19 state of disaster, the Commission has moved to a work-at-home environment and is working to maintain operations as normally as possible. However, all known challenges have not yet been overcome and the dates provided in this notice are subject to change.

Enclosed is a copy of the Proposed Order in the above-referenced docket. The Commission will consider this docket at an open meeting currently scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2020, at the Commission's offices, 1701 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. The parties must file corrections or exceptions to the Proposed Order on or before Tuesday, October 27, 2020.

If a party proposes a correction or exception, the party must fully explain the correction or exception and must provide a citation to the record to support the correction or exception. Further, the party must fully explain any calculation that underlies a proposed correction or exception.

On May 12, 2020, the Commission referred this proceeding to the State Office of Administrative Hearings. Subsequently, the docket was returned to the Commission.

If there are no corrections or exceptions, no response is necessary.

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PUC DOCKET NO. 50805 SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-20-3632

APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY TO ADJUST ITS ENERGY EFFICIENCY COST RECOVERY FACTOR AND RELATED RELIEF

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

PROPOSED ORDER

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This Order addresses the application of Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) to adjust its energy-efficiency cost recovery factor (EECRF) and related relief. SWEPCO filed a unanimous agreement between the parties in this proceeding. The Commission approves SWEPCO's agreed EECRF to the extent provided in this Order.

I. Findings of Fact

The Commission makes the following findings of fact.

Applicant PURA § 31 002(6) and 16 TAC § 25 181(b)

- 1. Southwestern Electric Power Company is a Delaware corporation registered with the Texas secretary of state under filing number 1211806.
- 2. SWEPCO owns and operates for compensation in Texas equipment and facilities to produce, generate, transmit, distribute, sell, and furnish electricity in Texas.
- 3. SWEPCO is required under certificate of convenience and necessity number 30151 to provide service to the public and retail electric utility service within its certificated service area.

Application 16 TAC § 25 182(d)(8), (d)(10)(A)-(M), and (d)(11)(A)-(J)

- 4. On May 1, 2020, SWEPCO filed an application to adjust its EECRF effective January 1, 2021.
- 5. No party objected to the sufficiency of the application.
- In its application, SWEPCO sought Commission approval to adjust its EECRF to recover \$5,240,033 during program year 2021, which included the following:

- (a) SWEPCO's forecasted energy-efficiency costs of \$4,367,484 in program year 2021;
- (b) projected evaluation, measurement, and verification (EM&V) expenses in the amount of \$64,446 for the evaluation of program year 2020;
- (c) an adjustment of \$180,559 for SWEPCO's net over-recovery, including interest, of program year 2019 energy-efficiency costs;
- (d) a performance bonus of \$975,673; and
- (e) rate-case expenses in the amount of \$12,989 incurred by SWEPCO in its most recent EECRF proceeding, Docket No. 49499.¹

Notice of the Application 16 TAC §§ 22 55, 25 182(d)(13) and (14)

- 7. On May 1, 2020, SWEPCO mailed or emailed notice of the application to the following: all parties of record in SWEPCO's most recently completed EECRF proceeding, Docket No. 49499; all parties of record in SWEPCO's most recently completed base-rate case, Docket No. 46449;² and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the state agency that administers the federal weatherization program.
- 8. On May 19, 2020, SWEPCO filed the affidavit of Jennifer J. Frederick, regulatory case manager for American Electric Power Service Corporation, who testified that notice of the application had been provided as described in finding of fact 7.
- 9. No party objected to the adequacy of notice of the application.

Intervenors and Intervenor Alignment 16 TAC §§ 22 103-22 105

- 10. Commission Staff participated in this proceeding.
- In State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) Order No. 1 filed on May 27, 2020, the SOAH administrative law judge (ALJ) granted a motion to intervene filed by Texas Industrial Energy Consumers (TIEC).

¹ Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company to Adjust its Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Factor and Related Relief, Docket No. 49499, Order (Sep. 12, 2019).

² Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for Authority to Change Rates, Docket No. 46449 Order on Rehearing (Mar. 19, 2018).

Statements of Position and Testimony 16 TAC §§ 22 124 and 22.225

- 12. As part of the application filed on May 1, 2019, SWEPCO filed the direct testimonies and exhibits of Debra A. Miller, SWEPCO's consumer programs manager; Steve Mutiso, SWEPCO's energy-efficiency and consumer programs coordinator; and Shawnna G. Jones, a staff regulatory consultant in the regulatory services department.
- On August 11, 2020, Commission Staff filed the testimony of Alicia Maloy in support of the agreement.

Referral to SOAH for Hearing 16 TAC §§ 22 121 and 25 182(d)(9)

- 14. On May 12, 2020, the Commission referred this proceeding to SOAH.
- 15. No party requested a hearing on the merits.
- On May 29, 2020, the Commission filed a preliminary order, which included a list of issues to be addressed in this proceeding.
- 17. In SOAH Order No. 3 filed on July 10, 2020, the SOAH ALJ suspended the procedural schedule to facilitate discussions between the parties regarding an agreement.
- 18. On August 11, 2020, SWEPCO, TIEC, and Commission Staff filed a unanimous agreement between themselves.
- 19. In SOAH Order No. 4 filed on August 17, 2020, the SOAH ALJ dismissed the case from SOAH's docket and remanded the proceeding to the Commission.

<u>Evidentiary Record</u>

20. In SOAH Order No. 4 filed on August 17, 2020, the SOAH ALJ admitted the following into the evidentiary record: SWEPCO's application filed on May 1, 2020, including attachments A and B, the direct testimonies of Debra A. Miller, Steve Mutiso, and Shawnna G. Jones, schedules A through S, and workpapers; the affidavit of Jennifer J. Frederick regarding notice of the application filed on May 19, 2020; the parties' unanimous agreement filed on August 11, 2020; and Commission Staff's testimony of Alicia Maloy in support of the parties' agreement filed on August 11, 2020.

Energy Efficiency Goals 16 TAC § 25 181(e)

- 21. SWEPCO's 2021 demand-reduction goal is a 30% reduction of its annual growth in demand of residential and commercial customers.
- 22. SWEPCO's weather-adjusted average annual growth in demand for the previous five years (2015 through 2019) is negative 0.78 megawatts (MW) at the meter.
- 23. SWEPCO's 2021 demand-reduction goal is negative 0.23 MW at the meter when calculated as a 30% reduction in the five-year average of annual demand growth.
- 24. In SWEPCO's prior EECRF application, Docket No. 49499, the Commission approved a demand-reduction goal of 5.60 MW and an energy-savings goal of 9,811 MWh for Entergy Texas in program year 2020.
- 25. Under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.181(e)(1)(D), a utility's demand-reduction goal may not be lower than the prior year except as adjusted under 16 TAC § 25.181(u) for industrial customer exclusions. Thus, for 2021, SWEPCO's demand-reduction goal is 5.60 MW.
- 26. SWEPCO projects that it will achieve 10.4 MW in demand reductions in program year 2021, which exceeds the minimum goal of 5.60 MW.
- The estimated demand-reduction savings to be achieved through SWEPCO's programs for hard-to-reach customers is 1.06 MW, which is 18.9% of the proposed goal of 5.60 MW. The amount exceeds the 5% minimum required by 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(3)(F).
- 28. SWEPCO forecasts that, because of the mix of energy and demand savings achievable through the programs, it will achieve energy savings of 15,012 megawatt-hours (MWh) in program year 2021, which exceeds the minimum goal of 9,811 MWh.

Agreement PURA § 14 054 and 16 TAC § 22 35

- 29. Under the agreement, SWEPCO's EECRF will recover \$5,240,033 during program year 2021. The amount includes the following:
 - (a) SWEPCO's forecasted energy-efficiency costs of \$4,367,484 in program year 2021;

- (b) projected EM&V expenses in the amount of \$64,446 for the evaluation of program year 2020;
- (c) an adjustment of \$180,559 for SWEPCO's net over-recovery, including interest, of program year 2019 energy-efficiency costs;
- (d) a performance bonus of \$975,673; and
- (e) SWEPCO's rate-case expenses incurred in Docket No. 49499 in the amount of \$12,989.
- 30. The agreement provides an effective date of January 1, 2021 for SWEPCO's program year 2021 EECRF tariff rider.
- 31. Under the agreement, SWEPCO's EECRF charges per kilowatt-hour (kWh) by rate class are as follows:

Rate Class	EECRF Charge
Residential	\$0.001228
General service	\$0.000700
Municipal service	\$0.001837
Municipal pumping	\$0.000225
Lighting and power	\$0.000808
Cotton gin	\$0.000027
Metal melting less than 69 kV	\$0.003685
Oil field large industrial power	\$0.000204
Large lighting and power less than 69 kV	\$0.00000
Lighting	\$0.000000

Elements of Recovery and Coordination with Base-Rate Recovery 16 TAC § 25 182(d)(1) and (d)(6)

- 32. SWEPCO's EECRF is calculated to credit the preceding year's total over-recovery with the required interest payment as well as to recover SWEPCO's forecasted annual energy-efficiency expenditures, a performance bonus, SWEPCO's EECRF proceeding expenses from its immediately preceding EECRF docket, and EM&V costs allocated to SWEPCO by the Commission.
- 33. SWEPCO does not recover any energy-efficiency costs in its base rates.

34. SWEPCO's EECRF is designed to provide only for energy charges for residential and commercial rate classes.

EECRF Cost Caps 16 TAC §§ 25 182(d)(7) and 25 181(o)(10)(B)

- 35. Before applying the consumer-price-index adjustment, SWEPCO used a base cost cap of \$0.001332 per kWh for the residential class and \$0.000883 per kWh for the commercial classes. SWEPCO calculated its EECRF cost caps for the 2021 program year to be \$0.001351 per kWh for the residential class and \$0.000845 per kWh for the commercial classes.
- 36. For the purpose of the cost caps, SWEPCO's rate for the residential class is \$0.001214 per kWh, and SWEPCO's group rate for the commercial classes is \$0.000776 per kWh.

Over- or Under-Recovery PURA § 39 905(b-1) and 16 TAC § 25 182(d)(1)(A) and (d)(2)

- 37. SWEPCO requests to refund to or recover from each rate class the difference between SWEPCO's actual EECRF revenues and actual costs for that class, which results in a net over-recovery.
- SWEPCO accurately calculated the over-recovery of 2019 program costs in the amount of \$172,971, plus \$7,588 in interest.

Proceeding Expenses 16 TAC §§ 25 182(d)(3), 25 245

39. SWEPCO requested recovery of \$12,989 in rate-case expenses incurred in Docket No. 49499. Included in the application was the affidavit of attorney Jerry N. Huerta, who relied on the factors required by 16 TAC § 25.245 in reaching his opinion that SWEPCO's legal fees incurred in EECRF proceeding Docket No. 49499 were reasonable and necessary.

Performance Bonus Calculations 16 TAC §§ 25 181(d)(1) and 25 182(d)-(e)

- 40. In 2019, SWEPCO's program costs were \$4,834,144, and the total avoided costs were \$14,590,870 on energy-efficiency programs.
- 41. Under 16 TAC § 25.182(e), SWEPCO sought the maximum allowable performance bonus, which is 10% of the net benefits of \$9,756,726 achieved through its energy-efficiency incentive program costs, for exceeding its goal for calendar year 2019. The resulting

performance bonus from this calculation is \$975,673 and is allocated in proportion to the program costs for eligible customers on a rate-class basis.

42. SWEPCO accurately calculated its performance bonus.

Evaluation, Measurement, and Verification Costs 16 TAC § 25 181(0)

43. SWEPCO's share of the estimated total EM&V costs for the evaluation of program year 2020 is \$64,446, and to the maximum extent reasonably possible, it is directly assigned to each rate class that received services under its programs.

Administrative and Research and Development Cost Caps 16 TAC §§ 25 181(g) and (o)(10)(B)

- 44. SWEPCO incurred \$509,649 in necessary administrative costs and \$145,479 in research and development costs for the 2019 energy-efficiency programs to meet SWEPCO's goals. Those amounts were 13.08% and 3.73%, respectively, of the total program costs for the previous year. Therefore, SWEPCO's cumulative cost of administration and research and development was 16.81% of the total program costs.
- 45. SWEPCO's cost of administration did not exceed 15% of its total program costs for program year 2019. SWEPCO's cost of research and development did not exceed 10% of its total program costs for program year 2019. SWEPCO's cumulative cost of administration and research and development did not exceed 20% of its total program costs for program year 2019.

Cost Effectiveness 16 TAC § 25 181(d)

- SWEPCO used an avoided cost of capacity of \$80 per kilowatts (kW) for 2019 and 2020.
 SWEPCO used Commission Staff's posted avoided cost of energy of \$0.05084 per kWh for 2019 and \$0.11366 per kWh for 2020.
- 47. SWEPCO determined that its 2019 portfolio of energy-efficiency programs produced a benefit-cost ratio of 3.03, which exceeds the benefit-cost ratio of 1.0 or greater required by 16 TAC § 25.181(d).
- 48. SWEPCO's forecasted 2021 energy-efficiency program costs of \$4,367,484 are a reasonable estimate of the costs necessary to provide energy-efficiency programs and meet SWEPCO's goals for 2021.

Total Cost Recovery 16 TAC § 25 182(d)

49. SWEPCO's net cost recovery of \$872,549—which consists of SWEPCO's projected EM&V expenses for the evaluation of program year 2020; SWEPCO's net over-recovery, including interest, of program year 2019 energy-efficiency costs; SWEPCO's performance bonus earned in 2019; and SWEPCO's rate-case expenses incurred in Docket No. 49499—is a reasonable amount.

Rate Classes and Direct Assignment of Costs 16 TAC § 25 182(d)(2)

50. To the maximum extent reasonably possible, SWEPCO directly assigned costs to each rate class that receives services under the programs.

Fostering of Competition Among Energy Efficiency Service Providers 16 TAC § 25 181(g)(2)

51. SWEPCO has adopted measures to foster competition among energy-efficiency service providers.

<u>Requirements for Standard Offer, Market Transformation, and Self-Delivered Programs 16 TAC</u> § 25 181(h)-(k)

52. SWEPCO's energy-efficiency program includes standard offer, market transformation, and self-delivered programs.

Incentive Payments 16 TAC § 25 181()

53. SWEPCO's incentive payments for each of its customer classes do not exceed 100% of the avoided costs for that class.

Affiliate Costs PURA § 36.058, 16 TAC §§ 25 181(c)(1), 25 182(d)(10)(1), and 25 272(e)

54. SWEPCO did not incur any affiliate costs for energy efficiency in 2019.

Energy Efficiency Plan and Report 16 TAC § 25 181(1)

- 55. On April 1, 2020, SWEPCO filed its 2020 energy-efficiency plan and report in the project³ annually designated for this purpose as required by 16 TAC §§ 25.181(*l*) and 25.183(d).
- 56. On May 1, 2020, SWEPCO filed its 2020 amended energy-efficiency plan and report in Project No. 50666. The application in this docket includes the amended plan and report.

³ 2020 Energy Efficiency Plans and Reports under 16 TAC § 25.181, Project No. 50666.

Low-Income Energy Efficiency 16 TAC § 25 181(p)

57. SWEPCO is not an unbundled transmission and distribution utility and therefore is not required to have a targeted low-income energy-efficiency program.

Outreach to Retail Electric Providers 16 TAC§ 25 181())

58. SWEPCO does not serve in an area in which customer choice is offered.

Industrial Customer Exclusions 16 TAC § 25 181(11)

59. SWEPCO's industrial customers taking service at distribution voltage who elected to exclude themselves from SWEPCO's energy-efficiency programs and provided notices under 16 TAC § 25.181(u) constituted an exclusion of 126 kW of peak demand from the calculations of the demand-reduction goal for program year 2021 when applying reasonable line-loss factors as required by 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(3)(B). Those excluded customers have been reflected in the EECRF calculations.

Line Losses 16 TAC §§ 25 181(e)(3)(B) and 25 182 (d)(10)(M)

- 60. SWEPCO's calculation of the demand-reduction goal used the line-loss factors from a 2016 report approved for use in Docket No. 46449.
- 61. SWEPCO's line-loss factors used in calculating its 2021 EECRF charges are reasonable.

Billing Determinants 16 TAC § 25 182(d)(10)(E)

62. The estimate of billing determinants in calculating SWEPCO's 2021 EECRF and the calculation of the 2021 EECRF tariff rider rates are reasonable.

Good Cause Exception 16 TAC §§ 25 181(e)(2) and 25 182 (d)(2)

63. SWEPCO did not seek a good cause exception to be eligible for a lower demand-reduction goal, a higher administrative spending cap, or a higher EECRF cost cap under 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(2). SWEPCO also did not seek a good cause exception to combine rate classes under 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(2).

Informal Disposition 16 TAC § 22 35(a)

- 64. More than 15 days have passed since the completion of notice provided in this docket.
- 65. No hearing is needed.
- 66. SWEPCO, TIEC, and Commission Staff are the only parties to this proceeding.

- 67. All the parties to the proceeding signed the agreement.
- 68. This decision is not adverse to any party.

II. Conclusions of Law

The Commission makes the following conclusions of law.

- 1. SWEPCO is a public utility as that term is defined in Public Utility Regulatory Act $(PURA)^4 \S 11.004(1)$ and an electric utility as that term is defined in PURA § 31.002(6).
- The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under PURA §§ 14.001, 32.001, 36.001, 36.204, and 39.905.
- 3. Under PURA § 39.905 and 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(8), an electric utility is required to file for an EECRF.
- SWEPCO complied with the requirement under 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(8) to apply by May 1 to adjust its EECRF, effective January 1 of the following year.
- 5. The Commission processed the application in accordance with the requirements of PURA, the Administrative Procedure Act,⁵ and Commission rules.
- 6. SOAH exercised jurisdiction over this proceeding in accordance with PURA § 14.053 and Texas Government Code § 2003.049.
- SWEPCO provided notice of the application in accordance with 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(13) and 16 TAC § 22.55 and filed an affidavit regarding the completion of notice as required by 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(14).
- 8. SWEPCO's application is sufficient under 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(10) and (11).
- 9. The hearing on the merits was set, and notice of the hearing was given, in compliance with Texas Government Code §§ 2001.051 and 2001.052.
- SWEPCO calculated its weather-adjusted average annual peak demand in compliance with 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(3).

⁴ Public Utility Regulatory Act, Tex. Util. Code § 11.001–66.016.

⁵ Administrative Procedure Act, Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.001–.903.

- 11. SWEPCO has acquired a 30% reduction of its annual growth in demand for residential and commercial customers in compliance with 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(1)(A) and (e)(3).
- 12. SWEPCO's 2021 demand-reduction goal complies with 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(1)(D).
- SWEPCO calculated its minimum energy-savings goal in compliance with 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(4).
- SWEPCO's portfolio of energy-efficiency programs effectively and efficiently achieves the goals set out in PURA § 39.905(a) and 16 TAC § 25.181 as required by 16 TAC § 25.181(e)(5).
- SWEPCO's EECRF uses only energy charges for recovery of energy-efficiency costs for residential and commercial rate classes included in the EECRF in compliance with 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(6).
- SWEPCO's proposed EECRF rates comply with the requirements for cost caps under 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(7).
- SWEPCO's request to refund \$180,559 to customers for its net over-recovery, including interest, of program year 2019 energy-efficiency costs complies with PURA § 39.905(b-1) and 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(1)(A) and (d)(2).
- 18. EECRF proceeding expenses are rate-case expenses.
- The requirements of 16 TAC §§ 182(d)(3)(A) and 25.245 apply to the recovery of a utility's EECRF proceeding expenses.
- 20. SWEPCO's 2019 rate-case expenses of \$12,989 comply with PURA § 36.061(b)(2) and 16 TAC §§ 25.182(d)(3)(A) and 25.245.
- 21. SWEPCO qualified for and accurately calculated its energy-efficiency performance bonus of \$975,673 for its energy-efficiency achievements in program year 2019 in compliance with the requirements of PURA § 39.905(b)(2) and 16 TAC § 25.182(e).
- 22. The amounts and allocation of SWEPCO's administrative and research and development costs comply with 16 TAC § 25.181(g).

- 23. SWEPCO's energy-efficiency programs adhere to the cost-effectiveness standards contained in 16 TAC § 25.181(d).
- 24. SWEPCO's 2021 energy-efficiency program costs of \$4,367,484 to be recovered through the EECRF are reasonable estimates of the costs necessary to provide energy-efficiency programs in 2021 in compliance with PURA § 39.905 and 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(1).
- 25. SWEPCO's net cost recovery of \$872,549—which consists of the EM&V expenses allocated to SWEPCO for the evaluation of program year 2020; an adjustment for SWEPCO's net over-recovery of program year 2019 energy-efficiency costs with interest; SWEPCO's performance bonus earned in 2019; and SWEPCO's 2019 rate-case expenses incurred in Docket No. 49499—complies with PURA § 39.905 and 16 TAC § 25.182(d).
- 26. The assignments and allocations of SWEPCO's proposed 2021 EECRF rates to each rate class are reasonable and comply with PURA § 39.905(b)(4) and 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(2).
- 27. SWEPCO has adopted measures to foster competition among energy-efficiency service providers in compliance with 16 TAC § 25.181(g)(2).
- 28. SWEPCO's standard offer, market transformation, and self-delivered programs comply with PURA § 39.905(a)(3) and 16 TAC § 25.181(h) through (k).
- 29. SWEPCO's incentive payments, which do not exceed 100% of avoided cost, comply with 16 TAC § 25.181(f).
- 30. The requirement in 16 TAC § 25.181(p) for a targeted low-income energy-efficiency program does not apply to SWEPCO.
- 31. The requirement in PURA § 39.905(a)(4) and 16 TAC § 25.181(r) for outreach to retail electric providers does not apply to SWEPCO.
- 32. SWEPCO's load associated with industrial customers who provided qualifying identification notices was excluded from SWEPCO's calculated demand-reduction goal in accordance with 16 TAC § 25.181(u).
- 33. SWEPCO's proposed 2021 EECRF rates are just and reasonable under PURA § 36.003(a).

- 34. In accordance with PURA § 36.003(b), SWEPCO's proposed 2021 EECRF rates are not unreasonably preferential, prejudicial, or discriminatory and are sufficient, equitable, and consistent in application to each consumer class.
- 35. The requirement in 16 TAC § 25.182(d)(9)(B) to serve notice of the approved rates and the effective date of the approved rates on retail electric providers does not apply to SWEPCO.
- 36. This proceeding meets the requirements for informal disposition in 16 TAC § 22.35.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

In accordance with these findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Commission issues the following orders.

- The Commission approves the agreed EECRF for Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) to the extent provided in this Order.
- 2. The Commission approves SWEPCO's 2021 EECRF in the amount of \$5,240,033, which is composed of the following:
 - (a) SWEPCO's forecasted energy-efficiency costs of \$4,367,484 in program year 2021;
 - (b) EM&V expenses of \$64,446 for the evaluation of program year 2020;
 - (c) an adjustment of \$180,559 for the over-recovery, including interest, of program year 2019 energy-efficiency costs;
 - (d) a performance bonus of \$975,673; and
 - (e) SWEPCO's rate-case expenses incurred in Docket No. 49499 in the amount of \$12,989.
- 3. The Commission approves SWEPCO's EECRF tariff rider schedule attached to the parties' agreement as attachment A.
- 4. The Commission authorizes SWEPCO to apply the EECRF tariff rider approved in this Order beginning on and after January 1, 2021.
- 5. Within ten days of the date of this Order, SWEPCO must provide a clean copy of the EECRF tariff approved by this Order to central records to be marked *Approved* and filed in the Commission's tariff books.

- 6. Entry of this Order does not indicate the Commission's endorsement or approval of any principle or methodology that may underlie the agreement and must not be regarded as precedential as to the appropriateness of any principle or methodology underlying the agreement.
- 7. The Commission denies all other motions and any other requests for general or specific relief that have not been expressly granted.

Signed at Austin, Texas the _____ day of November 2020.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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