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Honorable Holly Vandrovec
Honorable Robert H. Pemberton
Administrative Law Judges
State Office of Administrative Hearings
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RE: PUC Docket No. 51023; SOAH Docket No. 473-21-0247 - *Application of the City of San Antonio To Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Scenic Loop 138-kV Transmission Line in Bexar County*

Dear Judges Vandrovec and Pemberton:

As you are aware, the weather events of last week dramatically impacted many people, including most parties to this case. These events have limited many parties' ability to file testimony or other documents by the deadlines in the existing procedural schedule. Counsel for CPS Energy twice last week advised the parties that it would agree to extend deadlines as needed and appropriate, and encouraged parties to attend to their more pressing life concerns first.

As a result of those events, many intervenors have filed their direct testimony after the filing deadline of February 17, 2021. Some intervenors have requested an additional extension to this Friday, February 26, 2021, to file their direct testimony. CPS Energy does not oppose this extension. However, these extensions clearly require the current procedural schedule to be modified. CPS Energy will be working with the other parties this week to attempt to obtain a new agreed procedural schedule, and will submit it as quickly as possible. In light of this, CPS Energy will not be filing objections to intervenor testimony by the current deadline of February 26, 2021. However, CPS Energy is not waiving its right to object to any testimony but is reserving the right to file objections to any intervenor testimony by the deadline established under the new procedural schedule adopted by the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) once the parties have had an opportunity to confer and present new deadlines to the ALJs. CPS Energy believes that all parties should be granted a similar reservation of such rights to object to intervenor direct testimony.

CPS Energy is not moving for abatement at this time, as such would require conferring with other parties and, if full agreement was not reached, a time for response allowed by the ALJs. However, given the historic weather events of the past week, the ALJs may appropriately abate the current procedural schedule on their own motion, and CPS Energy would not oppose such.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kirk Rasmussen

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