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Honorable Holly Vandrovec Honorable Pratibha J. Shenoy Administrative Law Judges State Office of Administrative Hearings 300 W. 15th Street Austin, Texas 78701

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 Shenoy:

Anaqua Springs Homeowners' Association and Steve and Catherine Cichowski filed a Motion to Partially Extend the Procedural Schedule with respect to Route RI Modified. In the motion, these intervenors request that the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) set a deadline for supplemental discovery and cross-rebuttal testimony contingent on the ruling on the appeal of the certified issues by the Public Utility Commission (PUC). Specifically, they seek the opportunity for additional discovery and cross-rebuttal testimony if the PUC rules that the Route R1 modification should be considered in this docket.

While CPS Energy understands why these intervenors wish to preserve their position, the request for a deadline for additional discovery or cross-rebuttal testimony is premature. Such determination can only be made after any such ruling by the PUC, because the scope of such ruling will dictate what, if any, additional discovery or cross-rebuttal testimony would be appropriate or whether such would even be necessary. Therefore, CPS Energy proposes the ALJs deny the request at this time without prejudice. If the PUC were to grant the appeal, the parties can attempt to work cooperatively to agree upon a revised schedule, if necessary. If the parties are unable to reach agreement, then the ALJs can rule upon any request to revise the schedule at that time.

Sincerely,

Kirk D. Rasmussen

