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Re: Recent weather-related power failures

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Dear Governor Abbott;

I would first like to thank you for your quality leadership of the great state of Texas. You have done a wonderful job.

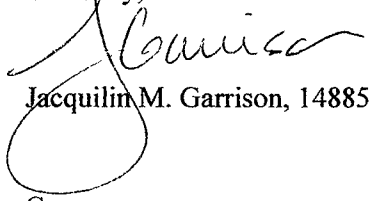
According to information found online, The Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) falls under the jurisdiction of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT). The PUCT's mission is to protect customers, foster competition and promote high quality infrastructure. With regard to this past week's weather phenomenon, it is generally felt that PUCT has failed the public. They did not protect the public, nor have they established quality infrastructure. One of the primary responsibilities of ERCOT is to maintain system reliability. That, too was an obvious failure.

Because the buck stops with you, I am asking that you not only investigate the failures Texans dealt with the past few days, but also take steps to ensure our power grid is in fact, reliable. This may be a "once-a-century" occurrence, but that is no excuse for the physical and financial stresses to which Texans were exposed. We put a man on the moon over 50 years ago and there is no reason why, as smart as Texans are, we cannot keep ourselves with power.

Because it is their jobs to look after us and represent us in Austin, I am also sending this letter to other elected officials, as well as to the 2 companies in question.

Thank you for your time. Texas is counting on you.

Sincerely,



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