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APPLICATION OF ENTERGY TEXAS,	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
INC. TO ADJUST ITS ENERGY	§	
EFFICIENCY COST RECOVERY	§	OF
FACTOR AND REQUEST TO	§	
ESTABLISH REVISED COST CAPS	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

COMMISSION STAFF’S STATEMENT IN LIEU OF TESTIMONY

On May 3, 2021, Entergy Texas, Inc. (ETI) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to adjust its energy efficiency cost recovery factor (EECRF). ETI seeks to adjust its EECRF for 2022 to recover a total of \$12,080,473 and requests that the Commission approve the adjusted EECRF to be effective with the first billing cycle of January 2022. ETI also requests a good cause exception to establish a higher cost cap for its commercial rate classes than that prescribed in 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.182(d)(7)(C). On May 25, 2021, the Commission referred this case to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). On June 30, 2021, the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) issued Order adopting a procedural schedule for this docket. The procedural schedule established July 28, 2021, as the deadline for Commission Staff to file direct testimony in this proceeding. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

Staff does not intend to file direct testimony in this proceeding. Instead, Commission Staff will file a statement of position, pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.124, no later than three working days before the start of the hearing on the merits, which is currently set for August 16, 2021. Further, Commission Staff reserves the right to participate in the hearing on the merits, including cross-examining witnesses.

Dated: July 28, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record on July 28, 2021 in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules filed in Project No. 50664.

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