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APPLICATION OF EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY TO CHANGE RATES	§ § §	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
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**FREEPORT-MCMORAN, INC.'S THIRD REQUESTS
FOR INFORMATION TO EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Freeport-McMoRan, Inc. ("FMI") requests that you answer and provide information in response to the attached questions under oath. FMI further requests that you answer the questions in the order in which they are asked with as much detail so as to fully present all of the relevant facts.

Instructions

Please answer the attached questions on separate pages and copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. Following each answer, please identify the witness or witnesses who will sponsor each of your answers at the hearing in this PUC Docket No. 52195. These questions are continuing in nature and, should there be a change in circumstances that would modify or change any of your answers, then, in such case, please change or modify such answer and submit such changed answer as a supplement to the original answer within five (5) working days of your discovery that such change or modification is appropriate.

In answering these requests for information, you are requested to furnish such information as is available to you, including information which you are able to obtain by due diligence from your present or former attorneys, accountants, investigators, consultants, employees, agents, and persons acting on your behalf. To the extent any information responsive to a general question is also responsive to another more specific question, provide the information in response to the more specific request.

To the extent any question calls for you to provide documents, furnish such documents in native format, with all formulas intact.

If you are unable to answer any request fully and completely after exercising due diligence to make inquiry and to secure information, you are to answer such request as fully and completely as you can and to specify the portions which you are unable to answer in such request. In addition to specifying those portions, you are to state with regard to each portion:

- (1) The fact on which you base the contention that you are unable to answer that portion;
- (2) The knowledge, information, and belief you have concerning that portion; and
- (3) The acts done and inquiries made by you in attempting to answer such request.

The singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.

Masculine, feminine, or neuter pronouns do not exclude the other genders.

The words “document” and “documents” have the broadest meaning that can be ascribed to them pursuant to the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. Among other things, the words “document” and “documents” mean the final form and **all drafts and revisions of any kind** of written or graphic matter, original or reproduced copy, however produced or reproduced, of any kind and of every kind, and all copies there from that are different in any way from the original regardless of whether designated “confidential,” “privileged,” or otherwise restricted. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the words “document” and “documents” also include information stored or maintained on, or which could be reproduced from, any form of physical or electronic storage or storage device including, without limitation, film, microfilm, computer printout, disk or diskette, magnetic tape, cassette, phonographic disc, videotape, compact disk, DVD, or similar means.

The words “and” and “or” shall be construed conjunctively or disjunctively as necessary to bring within each request all documents which might otherwise be construed as outside its scope.

The words “communication” and “communications” include, without limitation of their generality, both written and oral: statements, representations, discussions, conversations, speeches, meetings, remarks, questions, answers, panel discussions and symposia. These words include, without limitation of their generality, both communications and statements that are face-to-face and those that are transmitted by any writing or document or by media of any kind. These words also include any communications and statements that are transmitted electronically or wirelessly, through means such as, but not limited to, email or text messages.

The words “identify” and “identification,” when used with respect to a natural person or persons, mean to state the name, address(es) and telephone number(s) of each such person. If any of the foregoing information is not available, state any other available means of identifying such person.

The words “identify” and “identification,” when used in reference to a person other than a natural person, mean to set forth its:

- (1) full name or title;
- (2) nature or organization, including the state under which the same was organized or incorporated;
- (3) address and telephone number (with area code prefix); and
- (4) principal line of business.

If any of the foregoing information is not available, state any other available means of identifying such person.

The words “identify” and “describe,” when used in reference to a fact, mean to state not only the fact itself, but also:

- (1) its date, time, and place;
- (2) the name, address, and telephone number of each person with knowledge of the fact;
- (3) whether the act is supported by an oral communication, a document, or other event; and
- (4) any other evidence that supports such fact.

The words “identify” and “identification,” when used in reference to a document, mean to state:

- (1) its date;
- (2) its author;
- (3) its addressee;
- (4) the type of document (e.g., letter, memorandum, receipt, invoice, schedule, report, telegram, chart, photograph, etc.); and
- (5) its present location and identity of its custodian. If any document was, but is no longer, in your possession, custody, or control, or is no longer in existence, explain why.

If any of the foregoing information is not available, state any other available means of identifying such document. If a document is one of a series of pages contained in a book, pamphlet, binder, folder, microfilm (or other storage device), include in your identification of such document(s) any available numerical reference (or other aid) to the pages and line or other portion thereof at which

the information referred to can be found. A true and correct copy of any document may be produced and filed with your Answers hereto in lieu of the above information.

The words “identify” and “describe,” when used with respect to an oral communication, mean:

- (1) to state the substance of each such oral communication;
- (2) to state the exact words used by each person participating in the oral communication;
- (3) to identify each speaker;
- (4) to identify each person present at the making or reception of such oral communication;
- (5) to specify the date, time, and place of each oral communication;
- (6) to identify each person repeating such oral communication;
- (7) to identify every document which records, memorializes, or relates to all or part of such communication; and
- (8) to identify the mode of such communication (e.g., telephone, face-to-face, etc.).

The words “person” and “persons” as used herein, mean all individuals and entities, and shall be deemed to include natural persons, firms, partnerships, associations, organizations, joint ventures, corporations, and any other entities.

The words “relate,” “related,” “relates,” and “relating,” as used herein, mean involving, relating to, referring to, having any relationship to, pertaining to, evidencing or constituting evidence of, in whole or in part.

All computer readable data should be provided on CD ROMs, DVDs or flash drives for use on PC-compatible machines. FMI will provide a sufficient number of CDs, DVDs or flash drives if requested by you before time for your response.

If you have any question concerning the attached Questions or any of these instructions, please contact Katherine K. Mudge at (512) 615-1233.

Unless the specific question permits a longer time period, answers to this Request for Information should be served on FMI and filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas within twenty (20) working days from your receipt of said request. Service on FMI should be made as follows:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document was served by electronic mail, on all parties of record in this proceeding on September 23, 2021, in accordance with Order No. 2 in this Docket 52195.



Katherine K. Mudge

ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS

1. The words “EPE,” “Company,” “you,” “your,” and “yours” refer to El Paso Electric Company and any and all of its attorneys, employees, consultants, contractors, or representatives.
2. “PUC” or “Commission” means the Public Utility Commission of Texas.
3. “FMI” means EPE’s customer, Freeport-McMoRan, Inc.

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- FMI 3-1** Referring to the Direct Testimony of Manuel Carrasco, if the Federal income tax rate increases prior to EPE's next base rate case, does EPE propose to recover the difference in accumulated deferred Federal income taxes through Schedule No. FTRF within six months of the change in the tax rate?
- FMI 3-2** Referring to EPE's response to FM 2-14, provide workpapers supporting the derivation of each of the three categories of purchased power expense in "live" EXCEL format.
- FMI 3-3** Provide the information equivalent to Schedule FR-4.3 for the test year and calendar years 2018 and 2019 in "live" EXCEL format.
- FMI 3-4** Explain how the information shown in Schedule P-01.03 was derived from the working class cost-of-service study model and provide supporting workpapers in "live" EXCEL format.
- FMI 3-5** Referring to Schedule O-01.05:
- a. Explain the nature of the line items Renewable Resources and Resource Purchases.
 - b. List each specific Renewable Resource and Resource Purchase and for each resource state the identity, capacity, technology, and fuel type.
 - c. Explain why there are no Resource Purchases in the months September and October 2020.
 - d. Explain how the capacity amounts for the Resource Purchases are determined, why the amounts vary by month, and who determines the amounts.
- FMI 3-6** Referring to EPE's response to CEP 4-6, Attachment 2:
- a. Explain how the Dedicated Solar Adjustments per Jurisdiction were used in both the jurisdictional and class cost-of-service studies.
 - b. Explain how the capacity and energy amounts were derived for each dedicated solar project.
 - c. Do the coincident peak amounts reflect the actual or anticipated output of each dedicated solar project at the time of EPE's four summer month system peaks?
 - d. Explain why the adjusted 4CP demands are lower than the unadjusted 4CP demands for each of the Dedicated Solar Adjustments (Excluding Holloman).
 - e. Provide workpapers supporting the weighted monthly capacity factors.

- f. Confirm that the listed solar projects are categorized as Renewable Resources in Schedule O-01.05. If not confirmed, where are these resources categorized?
- g. Explain why the Macho Springs (50 MW), Newman (10 MW), and other solar PPAs are not listed.
- h. State the corresponding test-year kW output coincident with EPE's four summer month system peaks and energy for the Macho Springs, Newman, and other solar PPAs.
- i. Confirm that the Macho Springs, Newman, and other solar PPAs are among the resources categorized as Resource Purchases in Schedule O-01.05. If not confirmed, where are these resources categorized?