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APPLICATION OF EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY TO CHANGE RATES

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS



# DIRECT TESTIMONY OF DIANE HOPINGARDNER RATE REGULATION DIVISION PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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#### I. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

- 2 Q. Please state your name and business address.
- My name is Diane Hopingardner. My business address is 1701 North Congress Avenue, 3 A.
- 4 Austin, Texas.

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- Q. By whom are you employed and in what position? 5
- 6 A. I am employed by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) as a Regulatory
- Accountant in the Rate Regulation Division. 7
- 8 Q. What are your principal responsibilities at the Public Utility Commission?
- A. My responsibilities include testifying as an expert witness on accounting matters in rate 9
- cases and other applications filed with the Commission and participating in the overall 10
- examination, review, and analysis of such applications. 11
- Q. Please describe your professional and educational background. 12
- A. In 2004, I received a Bachelor of Science in Management Studies from the University of 13
- the West Indies. In May 2009, I received a Master of Business Administration (MBA) 14
- degree from St. Edward's University. From February 2010 to April 2013, I was employed 15
- as a Financial Examiner by the Texas State Securities Board. From May 2013 to March 16
- 2014, I was employed as a Financial Analyst by the Texas Bond Review Board. In April 17
- 2014, I began my employment with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. Since that 18
- time, I have analyzed wholesale and retail market design issues in the Electric Reliability 19
- Council of Texas and Midcontinent Independent System Operator markets. In addition, I 20
- have reviewed utility compliance filings and attended a variety of utility-related seminars. 21

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- Have you previously filed testimony in regulatory proceedings before the Public Q. 1 2 **Utility Commission of Texas?** Yes. Attachment DH-7 details the dockets in which I have filed direct testimony on behalf 3 A. of the public interest before the Commission. I have also filed memoranda and otherwise 4 participated in a myriad of other dockets and projects before the Commission. 5 П. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF TESTIMONY 6 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony? 7 The purpose of my testimony is to present Staff's recommendations regarding El Paso 8 Α. Electric Company's (EPE) cost of service for the historical test year ended December 31, 9 2020. As part of my testimony, I have incorporated adjustments recommended by Staff 10 witnesses Emily Sears, Heidi Graham, Anna Givens and Ruth Stark. 11 What is the scope of your review? 12 Q. A. My review included the analysis and examination of the application submitted by EPE 13
- and EPE's responses to Requests for Information (RFIs). 14
- 15 O. If you do not address an issue or position in your testimony, should that be interpreted as supporting EPE's position on that issue? 16
- 17 A. No. The fact that I do not address an issue or position in my testimony should not be construed as agreeing with, endorsing, or consenting to any position taken by EPE. 18
- O. What is the standard that you are using to make your determination concerning the 19 reasonableness of costs requested by EPE in this proceeding? 20
- I am applying standards set forth in the Public Utility Regulatory Act, Tex. Util. Code 21 Α.
- Ann. § 36.051 (PURA) which states: 22 23

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In establishing an electric utility's rates, the regulatory authority shall establish the utility's overall revenues at an amount that will permit the utility a reasonable opportunity to earn a reasonable return on the utility's invested capital used and useful in providing

service to the public in excess of the utility's reasonable and 1 necessary operating expenses. 2 I am also applying 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.231(b), which states in part: 3 Components of cost of service. Except as provided for in (a) 4 subsection (c)(2) of this section, relating to invested capital; 5 rate base, and §23.23(b) of this title (relating to Rate 6 Design), rates are to be based upon an electric utility's cost 7 of rendering service to the public during a historical test 8 year, adjusted for known and measurable changes. The two 9 components of cost of service are allowable expenses and 10 return on invested capital. 11 Allowable expenses. Only those expenses which are (b) 12 reasonable and necessary to provide service to the public 13 shall be included in allowable expenses. In computing an 14 electric utility's allowable expenses, only the electric 15 utility's historical test year expenses as adjusted for known 16 and measurable changes will be considered, except as 17 provided for in any section of these rules dealing with fuel 18 19 expenses. (c) **Return on invested capital**. The return on invested capital 20 is the rate of return times invested capital. 21 **(2)** Invested capital; rate base. The rate of return is 22 applied to the rate base. The rate base, sometimes 23 referred to as invested capital, includes as a major 24 component the original cost of plant, property, and 25 equipment, less accumulated depreciation, used and 26 useful in rendering service to the public. 27 Ο. As a result of your examination of EPE's application and its responses to RFIs, do 28 you propose any adjustments to EPE's requested cost of service? 29 30 Α. Yes, my proposed adjustments are presented on the schedules in Attachment DH-1 to my testimony. The revenue requirement is presented in a series of five schedules described 31 as follows: 32 Schedule I of Attachment DH-1 presents the revenue requirement or cost of service. The 33 following schedules provide details of specific components on Schedule I. 34 Schedule II of Attachment DH-1 details the adjustments to operations and maintenance 35 expense and administrative and general expense. This schedule is organized by Federal 36 Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) account. 37

Schedule III of Attachment DH-1 shows the calculation of invested capital. Schedule IIIA 1 2 of Attachment DH-1 presents Electric Plant in Service by FERC account, the total of which is used in Schedule III. Schedule IIIB of Attachment DH-1 shows the depreciation 3 and amortization expense by plant category. 4 Schedule IV of Attachment DH-1 details the adjustments to taxes other than income taxes. 5 Schedule V of Attachment DH-1 details the Federal Income Tax calculation using Tax 6 Method 1. 7 Q. Please describe the format of each schedule. 8 A. 9 The first column of each schedule presents December 31, 2020 historical test year 10 amounts. The second column reflects the proposed known and measurable changes requested by EPE to derive its requested amounts presented in column three. The fourth 11 12 column presents my recommended adjustments to EPE's calculated cost of service. The final column presents my proposed revenue requirement on a total company basis. 13 Additionally, Schedule V presents my adjusted total company Federal Income Tax 14 recommendation. 15 Ш. SUMMARY OF EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST 16

#### Q. Please explain El Paso Electric Company's request. 17

A. EPE's June 1, 2021 filing presents \$967,939,397 for its total company revenue 18 requirement, which is a \$50,429,252 increase to the test year total cost of service of 19 \$917,510,145.1 20

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> El Paso Electric Company Application, Schedule A-3 at 1 (Jun.1, 2021).

- Q. Does EPE's request include any costs that result from payments to an affiliate and if so, do those costs meet the requirements of affiliate expenses in PURA § 36.058?
- 3 A. Yes. EPE included \$502,105 in affiliate transactions in its December 31, 2020 test year.<sup>2</sup>
- Based upon my review of these costs, they meet the requirements for affiliate expenses in
- 5 PURA § 36.058.

#### 6 IV. SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION

- 7 Q. Please summarize your recommendations.
- Please refer to Attachment DH-1. This attachment presents the summary of my recommended revenue requirement for EPE. Attachment DH-1 shows that I recommend a total revenue requirement amount of \$930,375,452. On a total company basis, this
- 11 represents a decrease of \$42,851,931 from EPE's filing.<sup>3</sup>
- 12 Q. Please explain the adjustments you recommend to EPE's revenue requirement.
- A. I recommend adjustments in several categories. In Section V, I recommend adjustments 13 to the operations and maintenance (O&M) expenses and administrative and general 14 expenses (A&G) related to nonqualified post-retirement benefits, incentive compensation, 15 contributions, and dues. I recommend adjustments to taxes other than income taxes as 16 well as the attendant impacts of all adjustments on cash working capital. I recommend an 17 adjustment to the Texas Gross Margins tax expense and I also recommend the Tax Method 18 19 1 federal income tax expense resulting from adjustments to return. I will discuss each of these categories below. 20

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Application, Schedule G-6.0.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Application, Schedule A.

#### V. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE REVENUE REQUIREMENT

#### A. Non-qualified Retirement Income Plans

#### 3 Q. Please describe EPE's request for Non-qualified Retirement Income Plans.

4 A. EPE states in its Application,

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"The Company has two non-qualified retirement income plans that are non-funded defined benefit plans. The Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan Retirement Plan (SERP) covers certain former employees and directors of the Company. The Excess Benefit Plan, was adopted in 2004, and covers certain active and former employees of the Company."

Deductibility of non-qualified replacement benefits are limited by the Internal Revenue Code. EPE's requested revenue requirement includes \$1,970,713 in nonqualified post-retirement benefits in FERC expense Account 926.<sup>5</sup> An amount of \$937,304 is recorded for the Excess Benefit Plan expense and \$1,033,409 is recorded for the SERP expense.<sup>6</sup> Additionally, EPE included \$89,827 in FERC Account 107, Construction Work in Progress, for which \$82,225 is recorded for the Excess Benefit Plan and \$7,602 is recorded for the SERP.<sup>7</sup> Further, EPE capitalized \$2,041,715 since the end of the prior proceeding's test year to the plant in service component of rate base.<sup>8</sup> These expenses provide supplemental benefits to certain employees whose compensation exceeds the limits provided by tax law for deducting pension-related expense.

#### 21 Q. Please explain your adjustment regarding Non-qualified Retirement Income Plans.

I recommend a reduction to EPE's requested cost of service for non-qualified retirement income plans in the amount of \$1,970,713. I also recommend that EPE remove the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Application, Schedule G-2 at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to Staff's First Request for Information Question Nos. Staff 1-1 through Staff 1-34 at Bates p. 128 (Jul. 19, 2021) (Staff RFI 1-22).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to Staff's Twelfth Request for Information Question Nos. Staff 12-1 through Staff 12-8 at Bates p. 2-3 (Oct. 5, 2021) (Staff RFI 12-1).

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\$89,827 included in Construction Work in Progress from that account prior to any transfers to plant in service. Further, I recommend removal of the capitalized portion of EPE's non-qualified retirement plan expenses that have been added to plant in service since September 2016, which was the end of the prior proceeding's test year. The amount I recommend for removal from plant in service is \$2,041,715, as detailed by FERC account in EPE's response to Staff RFI 12-1. Corresponding adjustments representing the payroll taxes related to the SERP and Excess Benefit Plan in the amount of (\$46,418) have been reflected in the Staff recommended revenue requirement (FERC Account 408).

### Q. Have similar types of payments been removed from cost of service in recent proceedings?

A. Yes. In Docket No. 39896, supplemental executive retirement plan expenses were removed from cost of service. <sup>13</sup> In that proceeding supplemental executive retirement plan expenses were determined to be discretionary costs designed to attract, retain, and reward highly compensated employees whose interests are more closely aligned with those of the shareholders than the customers. <sup>14</sup> Further, such expenses were not found to be reasonable or necessary to provide utility service to the public, not in the public interest, and not includable in cost of service. <sup>15</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to Staff's First Request for Information at Staff 1-22 (Jul. 19, 2021) (Staff RFI 1-22).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to Staff's Twelfth Request for Information Question at Staff 12-1 (Oct. 5, 2021) (Staff RFI 12-1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to Texas Industrial Energy Consumer's Third Request for Information at TIEC 3-2 (Sept. 23, 2021) (TIEC RFI 3-2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Application of Entergy Texas, Inc. For Authority To Change Rates, Reconcile Fuel Costs, And Obtain Deferred Accounting Treatment, Docket No. 39896, Order on Rehearing at Findings of Fact Nos. 141-142 (Nov. 1, 2012).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> *Id*.

#### B. Contributions and Donations

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#### 2 Q. Please describe EPE's request for contributions and donations.

A. EPE included in its requested test year \$1,312,437 for various expenses related to contributions and donations. <sup>16</sup> The various expenses can be categorized as follows:

5	Educational	\$	277,029
6	Community Service	\$	870,429
7	Economic Development	\$	164,979
8	Total Test Year	\$1	$\overline{,312,437}$ . 17

### Q. Does 16 TAC § 25.231(b)(1)(E) allow companies to include advertising expenses in their revenue requirements?

11 A. Yes. The provisions of 16 TAC § 25.231(b)(1)(E) state:

Advertising, contributions and donations. The actual expenditures for ordinary advertising, contributions, and donations may be allowed as a cost of service provided that the total sum of all such items allowed in the cost of service shall not exceed three-tenths of 1.0% (0.3%) of the gross receipts of the electric utility for services rendered to the public. The following expenses shall be included in the calculation of the three-tenths of 1.0% (0.3%) maximum:

- (i) funds expended advertising methods of conserving energy;
- (ii) funds expended advertising methods by which the consumer can effect a savings in total electric utility bills;
- (iii) funds expended advertising methods to shift usage off of system peak; and
  - (iv) funds expended promoting renewable energy.

#### 25 Q. Please describe your recommended adjustments to contributions and donations.

In response to Staff RFIs 12-9 to Staff 12-11, EPE indicated that it will be withdrawing its request to include charitable contributions in its cost of service. As a result, I recommend an adjustment of (\$1,312,437) from the revenue requirement. In lave included this adjustment in FERC Account 930.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Application, Schedule G-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Application, Schedule G-4.2.

 $<sup>^{18}\,</sup>$  El Paso Electric Company's Response to Staff's Twelfth Request for Information at Staff 12-9, 12-10, and 12-11 (Oct. 5, 2021).

#### C. Payroll Expense

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#### 2 Q. Please describe EPE's request for payroll expense.

A. EPE presents \$86,883,519 as per books salaries and wages expensed during the test year. 19 3 The test year costs were adjusted to reflect annualized expenses based on non-union 4 payroll data as of January 2021, executive salaries as of February 2021 and union payroll 5 as of September 2020.<sup>20</sup> In addition, EPE's test year costs reflect the application of the 6 projected rate year O&M expense ratio to current payroll levels. <sup>21</sup> EPE's payroll expenses 7 also include overtime, payments in lieu of paid time off, and anticipated test year 8 9 bonuses.<sup>22</sup> The resulting requested total annualized salaries and wages expense is \$86,460,825, which is a decrease of \$422,694 to the test year payroll expense.<sup>23</sup> 10

#### 11 Q. Can you explain EPE's retirement incentive program?

In response to Staff's RFIs 1-19 and 1-20, EPE stated that it recently put in place a retirement incentive program whereby retirement-eligible employees are offered a one-time bonus if the employee agrees to retire between September 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021. EPE indicates that eligible employees had until September 9, 2021 to inform EPE if they intend to take advantage of the incentive program. <sup>24</sup>

### 17 Q. What is the impact to the payroll expense given the retirement incentive program described above?

A. EPE has not yet provided information related to the number of employees that took advantage of the retirement incentive program and the impact on the test year payroll

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Application, WP/A-3 Adjustment No. 3 at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Application, Direct Testimony of Cynthia Prieto at 7: 3-9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> *Id.* at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> *Id.* at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Amended Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information at Staff 1-19 and Staff 1-20 (Sep. 9, 2021).

- expense. In Staff's RFIs 15-1 and 15-2, I requested that EPE provide details of the impact of the retirement incentive program on its payroll expense. Staff issued the RFIs on October 12, 2021 and the responses are due directly after the date of this testimony.
- 4 Q. Considering EPE's retirement incentive program identified above, what is your recommendation?
- As additional information is provided by EPE, I will make a determination whether that new information regarding the retirement incentive program affects the test year data and the revenue requirement.

#### D. Long-Term Incentive Compensation

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- 10 Q. Has EPE included costs related to long-term incentive compensation in the requested 11 revenue requirement?
- 12 A. Yes. In response to City of El Paso's RFI 10-16, EPE indicated that the incentive plan
  13 amounts for Palo Verde employees allocated to EPE for company earnings and utility
  14 investments cost containment were \$144,579 and \$356,283, respectively. <sup>25</sup> EPE also
  15 included, in its plant in service component of rate base, its share of Palo Verde capitalized
  16 incentive compensation in the amount of \$203,811, for the year beginning 2016 through
  17 the end of 2018. <sup>26</sup>
- 18 Q. Do you recommend an adjustment to EPE's revenue requirement?
- 19 A. Yes. I recommend an adjustment of (\$500,862) to FERC Account 926 PV to remove the
  20 expensed portion of the plan costs from the revenue requirement. Also, I recommend
  21 removal of EPE's share of the capitalized portion of Palo Verde's incentive compensation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to City of El Paso's Tenth Request for Information at CoEP 10-1 through CoEP 10-20 (Sept. 16, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Response to Staff's Thirteenth Request for Information at Staff 13-1 through Staff 13-3 (Oct. 11. 2021).

expense that have been added to plant in service since 2016. The amount I recommend removed from plant in service is \$203,811.

### Why do you recommend an adjustment to EPE's revenue requirement based on the long-term incentive compensation?

5 A. The amounts allocated to company earnings and utility investment cost containment can
6 be considered financial measures. My recommendation is consistent with long-standing
7 Commission precedent in which financial measure determined to be of more immediate
8 benefit to shareholders and operating measures were determined to be of more immediate
9 benefit to ratepayers.<sup>27</sup> Furthermore, incentives to achieve operational measures were
10 found to be necessary and reasonable to provide utility service, but those incentives to
11 achieve financial measures were not.<sup>28</sup>

#### E. Other Revenue-Related Items

- Q. Do the adjustments proposed by Staff to various components within the revenue requirement affect other components of the revenue requirement?
- 15 A. Yes. Several items within EPE's revenue requirement are interrelated. This means that changes to one area or item will impact one or more additional items.
- 17 Q. Please explain the adjustments in your recommended revenue requirement of this nature.
- 19 **A.** Staff made several adjustments that impact other items. First, Staff's recommended changes to cost of service affect the calculation of the Texas state gross receipts tax. By producing an effective rate which considers the ratio of revenue related tax to the total company revenue, EPE has included in its cost of service an amount and an effective rate

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Application of AEP Texas Central Company for Authority to Change Rates, Docket No. 28840, Final Order at Findings of Fact Nos. 166-170 (Aug. 15, 2005).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> *Id*.

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for the state gross receipts tax.<sup>29</sup> Accordingly, any adjustments that impact the total revenue requirement also impact the state gross receipts tax. I applied EPE's calculated effective rate of .012008<sup>30</sup> to Staff's recommended adjustments to the revenue requirement to reach my recommended Texas state gross receipts tax expense. My calculated adjustment to the state gross receipts tax is a \$514,566 reduction to EPE's requested state gross receipts tax of \$10,705,684.<sup>31</sup> The PUC Assessment tax is an additional impacted item. EPE included in its cost of service an amount and an effective rate for the Texas PUC Assessment Tax by producing an effective rate which considers the ratio of this revenue-related tax to the total company revenue.<sup>32</sup> As discussed above, any adjustments that impact the total revenue requirement also impact the Texas PUC Assessment Tax. I applied EPE's calculated effective rate of .001186<sup>33</sup> to Staff's recommended adjustments to the revenue requirement to reach my recommended Texas PUC Assessment Tax expense. My calculated adjustment to the PUC Assessment Tax expense of \$1,057,293.<sup>34</sup>

#### F. Other Staff Witnesses' Recommended Adjustments

- 17 Q. Were other Staff adjustments included in your recommended revenue requirement 18 that impact EPE's requested cost of service?
- 19 A. Yes. Staff witness Emily Sears recommends that a 7.42% rate of return be used in this proceeding for purposes of determining Staff's recommended revenue requirement.

<sup>31</sup> Application, Schedule G-9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Application, WP/A-3 Adjustment No. 17 at 6.

<sup>30</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Application, WP/A-3 Adjustment No. 17 at 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Application, Schedule G-9.

Please refer to Ms. Sears' testimony for further details of her recommendation. Staff witness Heidi Graham recommends adjustments to depreciation expense. Ms. Graham's recommendation has been reflected in my recommendation of the total company revenue requirement. Please refer to Ms. Graham's testimony for details of her recommendation. Also, Staff witness Ruth Stark recommends adjustments to rate base and the total company revenue requirement. Ms. Stark's recommendation has been reflected in my recommended total company revenue requirement and rate base. Please refer to Ms. Stark's testimony for details of her recommendations.

### 9 Q. Are there any other Staff adjustments included in your recommended revenue 10 requirement that impact EPE's requested cost of service?

A. Yes. I made an adjustment of (\$1,154,276) for rate case expenses based on the recommendation of staff witness Anna Givens regarding recovery of those expenses. I have included the adjustment for rate case expenses in FERC account 928. Please refer to Ms. Given's testimony for details of her recommendation.

#### **G.** Federal Income Taxes

#### 16 Q. What is the reason for your federal income tax expense adjustment?

A. I calculated federal income tax expense using Tax Method 1, which is based on the return calculation. Any adjustments to the invested capital and calculated return therefore impact the federal income tax expense calculation. Staff witness Emily Sears has recommended a decreased rate of return equal to 7.42%. Applying her rate of return to the Staff recommended rate base results in a return amount of \$192,192,741,641. Using Tax Method 1 results in my recommended federal income tax expense of \$26,544,259, which is a decrease of \$4,027,865 to EPE's current federal income tax request.<sup>35</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Application, Schedule A.

#### H. State Income Taxes – Texas Gross Margin Tax

#### Q. What is the reason for your state income tax expense adjustment?

A. EPE included a calculation for the Texas Gross Margin Tax expense as a function of the total company return.<sup>36</sup> Any adjustments to the invested capital and calculated return therefore impact the Texas Gross Margin Tax expense. Staff witness Emily Sears has recommended a decreased rate of return equal to 7.42%. Applying her rate of return to the Staff recommended rate base results in a return amount of \$192,741,641. Using EPE's Texas Gross Margin Tax methodology results in my recommended current Texas Gross Margin Tax expense of \$2,327,492, which is a decrease of \$920,590 to EPE's request of \$3,248,082.<sup>37</sup>

#### I. Working Cash Allowance

Q. Please describe your adjustment to the working cash allowance calculation included in rate base.

My adjustment to cash working capital uses EPE's methodology and changes the total for the inclusion of Staff's disallowances to EPE's request. I included the impacts of Staff's recommended O&M adjustments, taxes other than income taxes adjustments, and the state and federal income tax adjustments. The impacts of Staff's adjustments to cash working capital are shown within Attachment DH-2 and amount to an increase to cash working capital and rate base of \$1,034,319.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Application, Schedule G-7.8 at 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Application, Schedule A.

- J. EPE's Errata No. 2 to the Application
- 2 Q. Please describe your adjustments to the revenue requirements calculation based on
- 3 EPE's Errata No. 2.
- 4 A. I made an adjustment of (\$194,524) to O&M expenses to account for mathematical errors
- in EPE's Errata No. 2 to the Application<sup>38</sup>. These adjustments were made in FERC
- 6 accounts 561 and 904.
- 7 Q. Please describe your recommendation for the working cash allowance calculation
- 8 based on EPE's Errata No. 2
- 9 A. In EPE's Errata No. 2 to the Application, EPE states that there are errors in the reported
- lead-lag study and that the revisions to the cash working capital requirements will be
- submitted with rebuttal testimony. <sup>39</sup> I will provide supplemental testimony as additional
- information is provided by EPE.
- 13 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 14 A. Yes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> El Paso Electric Company's Errata No.2 to its Application at 1. (Oct.1, 2021)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> *Id.* at 2.

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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. STAFF 1-1 THROUGH STAFF 1-48

#### STAFF 1-22:

#### Payroll

Has the Company included any non-qualified pension payments in its request? If so, please provide by FERC account and identify as Company direct or affiliate allocated. Please provide the amounts expensed as well as the amounts capitalized.

#### RESPONSE:

The request includes amounts for El Paso Electric Company's ("Company") nonqualified pension costs in FERC account 926 as well as amounts charged to FERC account 107 that were closed to plant in service during the test year. Amounts recorded by the Company for its Excess Benefit Plan ("Excess") and Supplemental Retirement Plan ("SERP") are shown below. All requested amounts are Company direct costs. There were no affiliate pension costs allocated during the test year.

FERC Account	<u>Excess</u>	<u>SERP</u>	<u>Total</u>
926 - Employee Pensions and Benefits	\$937,304	\$1,033,409	\$1,970,713
107 - Construction Work in Progress	82,225	7,602	89,827

Preparer: Karen Baca Title: Senior Accountant – Technical

Accounting

En Li Manager – Financial Accounting

Sponsor: Cynthia S. Prieto Title: Vice President – Controller

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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S TWELFTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. STAFF 12-1 THROUGH STAFF 12-11

#### **STAFF 12-1**:

#### **Payroll**

Please provide the amount of non-qualified pension payments capitalized to plant in service by FERC account since Docket No 46831 test year end.

#### RESPONSE:

Please see STAFF 12-1, Attachment 1, for the amount of non-qualified pension payments capitalized to plant in service allocated by FERC account since the Docket No. 46831 test year end.

Preparer: Barbara J. Torres Title: Principal Plant Accountant

Sponsor: Larry J. Hancock Title: Manager-Plant Accounting

Cynthia S. Prieto Vice President – Controller

# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY NON-QUALIFIED PENSION PAYMENTS CAPITALIZED TO PIS FOR THE PERIODS OCT 2016 THROUGH DEC 2020

FERC Account	Non-Qualified Pension Payments Capitalized
303 - Misc intangible plant	\$ 122,335
311 - Structures and Improvements	56,597
312 - Boiler plant equipment	55,094
313 - Engines/eng-driven generators	72,372
314 - Turbogenerator units	111,814
315 - Accessory electric equipment	22,713
316 - Misc power plant equipment	7,534
340 - Land and land rights	(149)
341 - Structures and improvements	(132,916)
342 - Fuel holders, producrs, accessr	16,303
343 - Prime movers	173,413
344 - Generators	68,171
345 - Accessory electric equipment	20,855
346 - Misc power plant equipment	135
350 - Land and land rights	70,135
352 - Structures and improvements	(1,683)
353 - Station equipment	64,053
354 - Towers and fixtures	12,006
355 - Poles and fixtures	133,981
356 - Overhead conductors, devices	19,095
359 - Roads and trails	4,504
360 - Land and land rights	7,425
361 - Structures and improvements	34,058
362 - Station equipment	287,498
364 - Poles, towers and fixtures	109,907
365 - Overhead conductors, devices	106,384
366 - Underground conduit	72,699
367 - Undergrod conductors, devices	86,847
368 - Line transformers	184,596
369 - Services	28,034
370 - Meters	35,199
371 - Installs customer premise	6,541
373 - Street lighting, signal system	3,645
389 - Land and land rights	361
390 - Structures and improvements	42,886
391 - Office furniture, equipment	44,989
392 - Transportation equipment	41,764
394 - Tools, shop, garage equipment	8,619
395 - Laboratory equipment	5,075
396 - Power operated equipment	2,001
397 - Communication equipment	31,881
398 - Miscellaneous equipment	4,943
556 - Iviiscenaneous equipment	4, <del>34</del> 5
Total Capitalized since October 2016 and Closed to Rate Base as of December 2020.	\$ 2,041,715
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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S TWELFTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. STAFF 12-1 THROUGH STAFF 12-11

#### **STAFF 12-9 TO STAFF 12-11**:

Staff counsel has agreed to withdraw these questions because EPE is withdrawing its request to include charitable contributions in its cost of service.

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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO TEXAS INDUSTRIAL ENERGY CONSUMERS' THIRD REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. TIEC 3-1 THROUGH TIEC 3-5

#### TIEC 3-2:

Please provide the Test Year employer-paid payroll tax expense, if any, associated with the following costs on a Total Company and Texas jurisdictional basis:

- a. Supplemental Retirement Plan
- b. Excess Benefit Plan

#### RESPONSE:

El Paso Electric Company ("EPE") pays checks to beneficiaries similar to payroll checks (benefit payments). EPE does not distinguish benefit payments between the Supplemental Retirement Plan and Excess Benefit Plan, as such, the payroll tax expense is not reported separately. Test Year employer-paid payroll tax expense on a Total Company and Texas jurisdictional basis, for both plans, is as follows:

Total Company	TX Allocator	TX Amount
\$ 46,418	0.794221	\$ 38,866

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APPLICATION OF EL PASO § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE ELECTRIC COMPANY TO CHANGE § OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

### EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S AMENDED RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION OUESTION NOS. STAFF 1-19 THROUGH STAFF 1-20

#### **STAFF 1-19**:

#### Payroll

Please provide a narrative description of any and all programs that the Company and/or its parent company has instituted which could result in a decrease to the Company's number of employees after the end of the test year.

#### AMENDED RESPONSE:

El Paso Electric Company ("Company") recently implemented a retirement incentive program whereby retirement-eligible employees were offered a one-time cash bonus of up to nine months of base pay if the employee agreed to retire between September 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021. Nothing in this program altered or will alter any of the Company's benefits programs including, but not limited to, the retirement income plan, personal time off plan, or short-term incentive plan. The incentive program was offered to eligible employees on August 9, 2021, and those employees have until September 9, 2021, to inform the Company if they intend to retire in accordance with the terms of the incentive program. Once retiring employees are identified, the Company will determine whether the positions being vacated by retiring employees needs to be replaced or repurposed and will seek to fill vacancies as needed. In addition, a number of positions held by retiring employees will likely be filled with current employees, which will require a similar evaluation of the positions being vacated by those employees.

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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S AMENDED RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. STAFF 1-19 THROUGH STAFF 1-20

#### STAFF 1-20:

#### Payroll

Please quantify the savings which have been achieved or that are expected to be achieved from programs to reduce the number of employees of the Company and/or its parent company.

#### AMENDED RESPONSE:

El Paso Electric Company ("EPE" or "Company") has not engaged in an analysis to determine what if any savings may be achieved or that are expected to be achieved from the retirement incentive program discussed in EPE's amended response to STAFF 1-19. At the current time, EPE has not identified all of the employees that will take advantage of the retirement incentive program, whether the positions of retiring employees will be filled in kind, or whether filling positions of retiring employees will result in filling the vacancy in another separate repurposed position. Additionally, the Company is unable to predict what the level of pay employees hired to fill the newly vacant positions will be. Any savings in payroll expenses that may ultimately occur as a result of the retirement incentive program are not likely to be quantified until after January 2022 and are likely to be offset by the union salary increase effective in September 2021 and non-union salary increases that occur in January each year. That being said, in the short-term, costs would be expected to increase due to the nine-month salary payout to employees opting to retire and any long-term savings would have to overcome this initial outlay.

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#### EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO CITY OF EL PASO'S TENTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. CEP 10-1 THROUGH CEP 10-20

#### CEP 10-16:

**Palo Verde:** Please provide an analysis of each incentive plan for Palo Verde employees showing the amounts included in test year expenses based on a) company earnings, b) utility investment cost containment, c) expense containment, d) customer service, and e) safety.

#### RESPONSE:

- a) Company Earnings \$915,058 (EPE Share \$144,579)
- b) Utility Investment Cost Containment (Capital Budget) \$2,254,959 (EPE Share \$356,283)
- c) Expense Containment (O&M Budget) \$7,195,405 (EPE Share \$1,136,874)
- d) Customer Service (Operational Excellence) \$20,806,383 (EPE Share \$3,287,408)
- e) Safety (Safety/Performance Improvement) \$7,660,653 (EPE Share \$1,210,383)

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(Palo Verde Generating Station)

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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S THIRTEENTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. STAFF 13-1 THROUGH STAFF 13-3

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# EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S THIRTEENTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION QUESTION NOS. STAFF 13-1 THROUGH STAFF 13-3

#### STAFF 13-1:

Please refer to WP-B-1 - Adj 01 Plant in Service, Page 3, Column (d) Incentive Compensation.

- a) Please provide detailed calculations by incentive plan type (ACBP, LTIP, etc.) for the adjustments to plant in service totaling \$10,073,841.
- b) Are the adjustments to plant in service the amounts for the test year only? If more than the test year is included in the proposed adjustments, please provide the amounts included by plan by year. If not included in the calculation of the proposed adjustments, please provide the total financial-based incentive compensation capitalized to plant in service in the same format by plan by year since the end of the test year in Docket No. 46831.
- c) Do the proposed adjustments to plant in service for incentive compensation include any adjustments for capitalized Palo Verde financial-based incentive compensation? If not, please provide the amount of Palo Verde financial-based incentive compensation capitalized to plant in service in the same format by plan type by year since the end of the test year in Docket No. 46831.

#### RESPONSE:

- a) See Staff 13-1, Attachment 1, for the detailed calculations of the capitalized incentive compensation adjustment to plant in service totaling \$10,073,841.
- b) No, Staff 13-1, Attachment 1, reflects the capitalized incentive compensation charged to CWIP, by year, since the second half of 2009.
- No. For years 2016 2018, 20% of the incentives were related to financial performance. The table below shows the total Palo Verde amounts during that time period that were capitalized based on that financial performance. For years 2019 2020, only incentives

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for Vice Presidents and levels above were based on financial performance, none of which were capitalized, as reflected in the table below.

Total PV 2016	Total PV 2017	Total PV		PV	EPE Share 2016	Share		Share	Share
\$464,092	\$500,917	\$324,931	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$73,327	\$79,145	\$51,339	\$0.00	\$0.00

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El Paso Electric Company Information for Capitalized Incentive Compensation Adjustment (Financial Portion) As of December 31, 2020

Financial Portion of Bonus Capitalized to PIS (a)  CMP - Steam Production  CMP - Transmission  CMP - Transmission  CMP - NM Distribution  CWP - To Distribution  CWP - To Distribution  CWP - General  CMP - Intrangible  Grand Total			Dep Rate 0 4.90% 7 4.16% 3 2.02% 6 2.09% 9 2.41% 5) 3.22% 6) 20.00%	2011 2011 Bonus Composition Targets Dep Rate (986) 6,354 41,93% 242,035 242,035 243,315 22,41% 257,848 14,032 1,097,174	AME   2012 Bonus   Composite		site         2014 Bonus         Condense           test         Targets         De           121         3           38,351         4           66,397         1           79,351         2           (47,213)         3           (47,213)         3	014 20: posite 9ME Com p atet 201509 Dep .61% 1,590 3, .16% 34,706 483% 121,538 12: .09% 101,725 2, .09% 284,081 2.	posite 3ME Rate 201512	MIE 201512   Composite   Dep Rate   3.81%   6.485   4.16%   38.985   13.99%   12.99%   2.09%   2.09%   3.73.298   3.22%   54.147   7.96%   859.858		6ME 201706 BONUS Dep Rate 2.16% 8,171 2.19% 3,488 1.27% 50,837 2.05% 55,957 1.70% 148,930 3.03% 211,704 7.98% 5,957 5,96		Composite Dep Rate         Bonus Targets           2.28%         42,983           2.19%         21,370           1.26%         187,407           2.04%         120,690           1.72%         508,857	12ME 201812   20191	2.19% 253,04 1.26% 1,262,78 2.04% 1,674,77 1.72% 4,143,63 4.61% 327,25 7.98% 451,80	Targets Dep Rate 42,468 2,28% 40,277 2,19% 68 227,783 1,26% 70 225,342 2,04% 88 518,998 1,72% 11 702,455 4,61%	2 Total Ris Adjustment @ 20202 \$ 157,832 \$ 157,832 \$ 1,480,572 \$ 1,480,572 \$ 1,029,738 \$ 10,09,3841 1 (d)
Cumulative CIC - Based on 1/2 year convention (b)  CWIP - Steam Production CWIP - Thransmission CWIP - Thransmission CWIP - Th Charbuiton CWIP - The Steam CWIP - It Steam CWIP - Steam CWIP - It Steam CWIP - It Steam CWIP - It Steam CWIP - Steam CWIP - It Steam CWIP - Ste	6ME Dec 2009 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS \$ 258 1,744 8,879 20,863 124 211 \$ 31,278	Dec 2011 Cumulativ Depreciabl CIC in PIS 1 134 1 145,7 2 286,5 2 222 4 438 \$ 482,00	C C De C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	2011 mulative preciable IC in PIS 1,883 26,934 183,889 353,910 747,014 124,107 (2,129) 1,445,208	2012 Cumulative Depreciable CIC In PIS 1 328 30.959 207.533 561.782 1,138.0002 259.489 11,126 \$2.306.611	2013 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS \$ 1.597 51.205 339.218 689.276 1.342.835 281.043 23.284 \$ 2.882.437	2014 Cumulative Depreciable CIC In PIS \$ 1,800 73,491 378,605 714,622 1,468,779 238,432 34,192 \$ 2,909,910	9ME 201509 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS \$ 2,850 472,573 802,160 1,887,266 194,179 50,557 \$ 3,319,904	3ME 201512 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS \$ 3,649 140,736 539,938 687,758 1,834,381 170,242 73,925 \$ 3,820,628	2016 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS * 7,104 172,547 612,032 927,884 2,006,082 2,14,002 146,498 \$ 4,108,651	6ME 201706 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS \$ 12,446 194,956 696,000 1,013,808 2,270,241 25,858 229,473 \$ 4,689,972	3ME 201709 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS \$ 16.532 198.675 721.1509 1.041.788 2.345.208 357.709 244.455 \$ 4.923.872	Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS  \$ 17,574 197,147 768,668 1,111,439 2,523,756 219,563	12ME 201812 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS  46,288 21,494 95,598 1,299,988 3,089,226 21,595,598 (1,998,927 (1,14,115	12ME 201911 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS  \$ 91,477 277,000 1,151,001 1,513,001 2,743,544 200,564 382,007 \$ 7,413,379		Test Year  12ME 202012 Cumulative Depreciable CIC in PIS  136,338 273,168 1,376,880 1,787,441 4,402,136 678,478 498,832 \$ 9,151,154	Depr Exp Adfi for TV Ended 202012 \$ 3,110, 5,986, 17286 68,464 75,177 8 1226 39,647 \$ 209,544*(e)
Dep Expense Adj - Based on 1/2 yr convention (c)  CWIP - Steam Production CWIP - Other Production CWIP - Transmission CWIP - TW Distribution CWIP - TX Distribution CWIP - TX Distribution CWIP - General CWIP - Intangitie Grand Total	6ME Dec 2009 Depr Exp Adj  \$ 4	2010 Dep Exp Adj \$ 1 46 1.33 2.66 6.93 (1 (2 (3 (3 (3 (3 (3 (3 (3 (3 (3 (3	6 \$ 4 1 2 2 6 6 2)	011 Depr Exp Adj 82 1,120 3,913 7,397 18,003 3,996 (428) 34,096	4 ME April 2012 Depr Exp Adj 2012 Depr Exp Adj 2012 Depr Exp Adj 2013 3.630 3.630 3.914 7.827 9.142 5.550 5.500 7742 1.483 \$19.121\$ 3.5426 2.753	2013 Depr Exp Adj \$ 58 2,190 8,208 13,882 28,085 8,406 4,653 \$ 63,381	2014 Depr Exp Adj \$ 85 3,057 6,928 14,936 30,697 7,787 6,836 \$ 70,198	9ME 201509 Depr Exp Adj \$ 72 3,448 6,486 12,574 26,605 4,446 7,584 \$ 61,218	3ME 201612 Depr Exp Adj \$ 33 1,484 2,470 4,482 9,586 1,370 1,475 \$ 20,678	2016 Depr Exp Adj \$ 153 3,801 7,773 19,011 34,443 6,485 11,850 8 83,518	6ME 201706 Depr Exp Adj  \$ 134 2,135 4,420 10,382 19,287 3,816 9,156 \$ 49,350	3ME 201709 Depr Exp Adj  \$ 94 1,077 2,273 6,313 10,084 4,123 4,877 \$ 27,841	3ME 201712 Depr Exp Adj \$ 100 1,079 2,421 5,688 10,852 2,530 4,909 \$ 27,561	12ME 201812 Depr Exp Adj  \$ 1,055 4,832 1,035 4,832 53,135 9,955 24,472 \$ 131,598	12ME 201912 Depr Exp Ad \$ 2,088 \$ 2,088 \$ 5,000 14,6553 30,888 64,391 12,393 12,1265 \$ 18,318	\$ 4.05 31,27 76,40 185,29 337,34 73,93 108,03	5,983 17,346 11 36,464 16 75,717 13 31,278 13 39,647	Total AD Adjustment (200907 - 202012) \$ 7/188 83/280 83/280 201/754 412/088 105/211 242/881 2 1.005/8901(f)

(a) Amounts shown represent the capitalized incentive compensation (CIC) charged to CWIP for each year since the second half of 2009.
(b) Represents the cumulative CIC balance on which the depreciation rate is applied to calculate the annual depexp amount.
(c) Represents the annual depreciation expense calculated on the cumulative CIC amount.
(d) Represents the amount of CIC adjusted out of EPE's requested plant in service in this case. Refer to WP B-1 Adj 01, Plant in Service.
(e) Represents the amount of depreciation expenses adjusted out of EPE's requested depreciation expenses in this case. Refer to WP B-1 Adj 02, Accumulated Depreciation.
(f) Represents the amount of accumulated depreciation related to the CIC adjusted out of EPE's requested accumulated depreciation in this case. Refer to WP B-1 Adj 02, Accumulated Depreciation.

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### EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S THIRTEENTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION OUESTION NOS. STAFF 13-1 THROUGH STAFF 13-3

#### **STAFF 13-3**:

Please provide the amount of all non-qualified pension payments capitalized to plant in service by FERC account since the Docket No. 46831 test year end and included in EPE's requested rate base. Please also provide the amount of any associated accumulated depreciation. If there are no capitalized non-qualified pension payments for the referenced period included in EPE's requested rate base, please provide a detailed calculation and reference to the adjustment where such amounts were removed from the request.

#### RESPONSE:

Please refer to El Paso Electric Company's ("EPE") response to Staff 12-1 for all non-qualified pension payments capitalized to plant in service by FERC account since the Docket No. 46831 test year end and included in EPE's requested rate base. Estimated accumulated depreciation on the non-qualified pension payments capitalized to plant amounted to (\$100,508).

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### EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S ERRATA NO. 2 TO ITS APPLICATION

El Paso Electric Company (EPE) files this Errata No. 2 to its rate filing application in this proceeding in order to correct certain errors it has discovered during the course of this proceeding.

#### I. ERRATA NO. 2

### 1. Manuel Carrasco Direct Testimony and Exhibit MC-8 Excess ADIT Refund by Rate Class

The changes to the Excess Accumulated Deferred Income Tax (EDIT) in the workpaper to Schedule G 7-9(a).03 described below required a change to Mr. Carrasco's Direct Testimony and Exhibit MC-8 Excess ADIT Refund by Rate Class.

#### 2. Daniel S. Dane Direct Testimony, Exhibits, and Workpapers

EPE found errors in the reported results of its lead-lag study. Specifically, the number of days for the payment processing lag is revised from 1.2 days to 0.8 days; the total lag is revised from 45.1 to 44.7; and the revenue lag, inclusive of both retail revenues and wholesale and other revenues is changed from 44.4 to 44.0. Therefore, the testimony and exhibits (DSD-2 through DSD-9) of EPE witness Daniel S. Dane will need to be revised to reflect these changes. The changes to the results of EPE's lead-lag study will also impact EPE's cash working capital requirement. The calculation of the cash working capital requirement will require EPE to update a number of schedules, workpapers, and testimony. Therefore, EPE plans to submit the required revisions to Mr. Dane's testimony when EPE submits its rebuttal testimony.

#### 3. Workpapers for the Direct Testimony of Larry J. Hancock

EPE discovered that the workpapers for the Direct Testimony of Larry J. Hancock were not submitted in the original rate case application filing. The workpapers are included as part of this errata:

• 2019 Study – Unit 1 TX Funding 12-31-19.xls

- 2019 Study Unit 2 TX Funding 12-31-19.xls
- 2019 Study Unit 3 TX Funding 12-31-19.xls

#### 4. Schedule G-15

EPE discovered that the "As Adjusted" column did not include any values so the adjusted total did not tie to line 119 "Adj to COS" in Workpaper A-3.

#### 5. Schedule H-12.03a Unit Data

EPE discovered formula errors in some of the cells in Schedule H-12.03a Unit Data. The cells that have been corrected are highlighted in yellow.

### 6. Schedule P-2 Allocation of Revenue Deductions to Proposed Rate Classes and Schedule P-4 Separation of Expenses

EPE identified an error in Schedules P-2 and P-4. Namely, that the subtotal "Total Power Production Expense" should include Steam Power and Nuclear Power expense. Schedules P-2 and P-4 have been corrected and are included with this errata.

#### 7. Schedule P-7 Allocation Factors

During discovery, an error in Schedule P-7 was identified. The values in the columns for the General Service and Large Power Service classes were switched. A corrected version is included with this errata. The Cost of Service allocations to the General Service and Large Power Service classes were not impacted by the errors in Schedule P-7.

### 8. Schedule Q-8.8 Schedule No. FTRF Update (Federal Tax Refund Factor Update)

The changes to the EDIT in the workpaper to Schedule G 7-9(a).03 described below required a change to the rates in Schedule Q-8.8 Schedule No. FTRF Update.

#### 9. Schedule G Workpaper 7-9(a).03

EPE identified an error in Schedule G Workpaper 7-9(a).03, specifically in the tab labeled "WP1a Excess TCJA for Rider." During the preparation of this work paper, the amortization of the EDIT on lines 17 and 18 related to the NOL Carryforwards for Federal and New Mexico were not included in the amortization of the protected EDIT. A corrected version of tab "WP1a Excess TCJA for Rider" of WP G-7.9(a).03 is included with this errata and includes the updated annual rider amount of (\$73,806) on a Total Company basis. The corrected cells are highlighted in yellow.

#### 10. Summary List of Errata Documents

Attachment Number	Document				
1	Direct Testimony of Manuel Carrasco	Bates – 1674			
2	Exhibit MC-8 to the Direct Testimony of Manuel Carrasco	Bates – 1709 - 1711			
3	Workpaper to the Direct Testimony of Larry Hancock: 2019 Study – Unit 1 TX Funding 12-31-19.xls	WP/LJH Testimony/1			
4	Workpaper to the Direct Testimony of Larry Hancock: 2019 Study – Unit 2 TX Funding 12-31-19.xls	WP/LJH Testimony/2			
5	Workpaper to the Direct Testimony of Larry Hancock: 2019 Study – Unit 3 TX Funding 12-31-19.xls	WP/LJH Testimony/3			
6	Schedule G-15 – Errata	Bates – 2750 - 2761			
7	Schedule-H-12.03a – Errata	Bates – 3170 - 3189			
8	Schedule P-2 Allocation of Revenue Deductions to Proposed Rate Classes – Errata	Bates – 4163 - 4167			
9	Schedule P-4 Separation of Expenses – Errata	Bates – 4172 - 4182			
10	Schedule P-7 Allocation Factors – Errata	Bates – 4195 - 4196			
11	Schedule Q-8.8 Schedule No. FTRF Update - Errata	Bates – 4428			
12	Schedule G Workpaper 7-9(a).03 – Errata	Bates – 5773			

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of this document was served by electronic mail on October 1, 2021.

Laura Bradshaw Kennedy

# Attachment No. 6

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EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY
2021 TEXAS RATE CASE FILING
SCHEDULE G-15 MONTHLY 0 SM EXPENSE
SPONSOR: JENNIFER I. BORDEN / CWITHIAS PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIEFOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
No. Acct.	Description	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
	Steam Power Generation Expense									
	Operations Expense									
1 500000 2 501000	Operation Supervision & Engineering Fuel	\$ 152,667 \$ 4,490,979	185,724 \$ 2,381,718	192,291 \$ 2,308,767	199,058 \$ 2,020,664	198,281 \$ 5,174,366	202,271 \$ 5,095,492	241,527 \$ 5,922,351	204,074 \$ 5,888,505	210,318 6,551,147
3 502000	Steam Expenses	262,209	213,762	239,775	235,592	262,818	250,921	316,167	239,379	312,392
4 505000 5 506000	Electric Expenses Miscellaneous Steam Power Expenses	289,618 321,982	249,155 230,726	328,689 248,301	384,396 216,207	448,503 279,757	492,641 448,389	544,109 273,101	492,252 260,414	551,421 247,768
6 507000	Rents	53,145	43,628	43,216	44,976	46,276	52,161	43,322	59,269	43,216
7 509000	Allowances		0 _		0			0	4,168	13,287
8	Total Operations Expense	5,570,600	3,304,713	3,361,039	3,100,893	6,410,001	6,541,875	7,340,577	7,148,061	7,929,549
	Maintenance Expense									
9 510000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	199,521	201,803	189,726	186,666	186,564	211,667	254,721	181,272	196,304
10 511000	Maintenance of Structures	112,032	52,853	54,735	100,903	61,098	129,992	83,268	118,464	155,952
11 512000 12 513000	Maintenance of Boiler Plant Maintenance of Electric Plant	748,396 726,825	1,638,602 2,339,687	919,924 1,499,833	616,148 3,500,101	719,720 525,971	442,742 1,459,093	775,734 587,644	662,864 1,269,764	372,050 360,365
13 514000	Maintenance of Miscellaneous Steam Plant	194,466	251,836	414,309	(94,690)	121,935	208,753	221,923	188,002	167,282
14	Total Maintenance Expense	1,981,240	4,484,781	3,078,527	4,309,128	1,615,288	2,452,247	1,923,290	2,420,366	1,251,953
15	Total Steam Power Generation Expense	7,551,840	7,789,494	6,439,566	7,410,021	8,025,289	8,994,122	9,263,867	9,568,427	9,181,502
	Nuclear Power Generation Expense									
	Operations Expense									
16 517000	Operation Supervision & Engineering	1,121,000	703,600	1,137,190	961,000	1,140,795	646,497	1,006,000	1,089,730	1,056,475
17 518000	Nuclear Fuel Expense	3,848,952	3,263,155	3,775,352	1,806,993	3,542,376	3,771,918	3,882,848	3,906,310	3,839,035
18 519000 19 520000	Coolants & Water Steam Expenses	633,572 364,000	547,733 215,781	617,192 615,874	525,000 591,000	650,857 518,400	559,916 182,207	689,000 324,000	694,460 353,703	597,736 275,406
20 523000	Electric Expenses	624,000	302,235	627,161	554,000	524,055	535,434	588,000	385,506	562,608
21 524000	Miscellaneous Nuclear Power Expenses (A)	1,649,331	1,780,668	1,791,275	1,327,349	1,392,915	1,611,472	1,492,877	1,141,947	1,675,408
22 525000	Rents	0	0	0 _	0	<u> </u>	0 _	0	00_	0
23	Total Operations Expense	8,240,855	6,813,172	8,564,044	5,765,342	7,769,398	7,307,444	7,982,725	7,571,656	8,006,668
	Maintenance Expense									
24 528000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	99,000	167,080	359,323	1,024,000	58,351	(41,252)	102,000	36,114	68,189
25 529000	Maintenance of Structures	(19,000)	129,204	102,624	147,000	44,622	136,081	(40,000)	176,315	182,229
26 530000	Maintenance of Reactor Plant Equipment	456,000	544,773	(50,174)	2,727,000	(462,612)	(352,868)	352,000	709,629	(111,338)
27 531000 28 532000	Maintenance of Electric Plant Maintenance of Miscellaneous Nuclear Plant	211,000 69,000	310,559 82,067	654,975 185,675	572,000 137,000	612,712 188,611	431,100 111,271	196,000 57,000	422,951 149,326	397,625 219,336
29	Total Maintenance Expense	816,000	1,233,683	1,252,423	4,607,000	441,684	284,332	667,000	1,494,335	756,041
30	Total Nuclear Power Generation Expense	9,056,855	8,046,855	9,816,467	10,372,342	8,211,082	7,591,776	8,649,725	9,065,991	8,762,709

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EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY
2021 TEXAS RATE CASE FILING
SCHEDULE G-15. MONTHLY 05M EXPENSE
SPONSOR: LENNIFER I. BORDEN / CWITHA S. PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)	(k)	(1)	(m)	(n)	(o) Payroll	(p) Other	(q) Per Book	(r) Non-Payroll	(s) Payroll	(t) As Adjusted
No. Acct.	Description	October	November	<u>December</u>	Total	Expense	Expense	Total	Adjustments	Adjustment (B)	Total
	Steam Power Generation Expense	-									
	Operations Expense	_									
1 500000 2 501000 3 502000 4 505000 5 506000 6 507000 7 509000	Operation Supervision & Engineering Fuel Steam Expenses Electric Expenses Miscellaneous Steam Power Expenses Rents Allowances	\$ 189,437 \$ 3,937,806 206,713 328,897 400,562 130,183 10,096	177,007 \$ 7,358,292 272,627 388,061 318,895 51,733 0	219,586 \$ 8,327,679 269,323 441,738 612,578 44,073 0	2,372,241 \$ 59,457,766 3,081,678 4,939,480 3,858,680 655,198 27,551	2,357,025 \$ 0 2,471,330 1,124,027 1,029,932 0 0	15,216 \$ 59,457,766 610,348 3,815,453 2,828,748 655,198 27,551	2,372,241 \$ 59,457,766 3,081,678 4,939,480 3,858,680 655,198 27,551	(0) \$ (1,927,307) 0 0 (82,700) 0 0	(11,707) \$ 0 (12,275) (5,583) (5,116) 0	2,360,534 57,530,459 3,069,403 4,933,897 3,770,864 655,198 27,551
8	Total Operations Expense	5,203,694	8,566,615	9,914,977	74,392,594	6,982,314	67,410,280	74,392,594	(2,010,007)	(34,681)	72,347,906
	Maintenance Expense	<u>=</u>									
9 510000 10 511000 11 512000 12 513000 13 514000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering Maintenance of Structures Maintenance of Boiler Plant Maintenance of Electric Plant Maintenance of Miscellaneous Steam Plant	170,547 66,935 473,830 698,211 223,442	176,942 121,263 818,993 1,399,744 232,250	147,915 62,408 609,463 7,114 285,746	2,303,648 1,119,903 8,798,466 14,374,352 2,415,254	2,287,088 362,014 1,501,580 2,011,663 371,341	16,560 757,889 7,296,886 12,362,689 2,043,913	2,303,648 1,119,903 8,798,466 14,374,352 2,415,254	0 0 (109) (62,375) (334)	(11,360) (1,798) (7,458) 4,689 (1,844)	2,292,288 1,118,105 8,790,899 14,316,666 2,413,076
14	Total Maintenance Expense	1,632,965	2,749,192	1,112,646	29,011,623	6,533,686	22,477,937	29,011,623	(62,818)	(17,771)	28,931,034
15	Total Steam Power Generation Expense	6,836,659	11,315,807	11,027,623	103,404,217	13,516,000	89,888,217	103,404,217	(2,072,825)	(52,452)	101,278,940
	Nuclear Power Generation Expense  Operations Expense										
16 517000 17 518000 18 519000 19 520000 20 523000 21 524000 22 525000	Operation Supervision & Engineering Nuclear Fuel Expense Coolants & Water Steam Expenses Electric Expenses Miscellaneous Nuclear Power Expenses (A) Rents	905,855 2,993,921 571,000 565,000 568,000 1,415,524	1,225,527 2,421,769 444,794 443,119 454,551 1,279,148	989,054 4,205,917 1,055,597 447,418 543,005 26,178,002 0	11,982,723 41,258,546 7,586,857 4,895,908 6,268,555 42,735,916 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 189,579 0	11,982,723 41,258,546 7,586,857 4,895,908 6,268,555 42,546,337 0	11,982,723 41,258,546 7,586,857 4,895,908 6,268,555 42,735,916 0	0 0 0 0 0 (1,769,839)	0 0 0 0 0 (942)	11,982,723 41,258,546 7,586,857 4,895,908 6,268,555 40,965,135
23	Total Operations Expense	7,019,300	6,268,908	33,418,993	114,728,505	189,579	114,538,926	114,728,505	(1,769,839)	(942)	112,957,724
	Maintenance Expense	-									
24 528000 25 529000 26 530000 27 531000 28 532000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering Maintenance of Structures Maintenance of Reactor Plant Equipment Maintenance of Electric Plant Maintenance of Miscellaneous Nuclear Plant	489,000 151,000 2,695,000 481,000 159,000	149,392 127,362 (311,269) 658,028 247,334	(69,584) 139,562 317,493 961,872 201,855	2,441,613 1,276,999 6,513,634 5,909,822 1,807,475	0 0 0 0	2,441,613 1,276,999 6,513,634 5,909,822 1,807,475	2,441,613 1,276,999 6,513,634 5,909,822 1,807,475	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	2,441,613 1,276,999 6,513,634 5,909,822 1,807,475
29	Total Maintenance Expense	3,975,000	870,847	1,551,198	17,949,543	0 _	17,949,543	17,949,543	0	0	17,949,543
30	Total Nuclear Power Generation Expense	10,994,300	7,139,755	34,970,191	132,678,048	189,579	132,488,469	132,678,048	(1,769,839)	(942)	130,907,267

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EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY
2021 TEXAS RATE CASE FILING
SCHEDULE G-15: MONTHLY O&M EXPENSE
SPONSOR: JENNIFER I. BORDEN / CYNTHIA S. PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELDOY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
Line FERC No. Acct.	Description	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
	Other Power Generation Expenses									
	Operations Expense									
31 546000 32 547000 33 548000	Operation Supervision & Engineering Fuel Generation Expenses	79,418 1,466,537 45,025	55,554 1,623,886 61,695	70,572 742,528 61,809	67,993 903,433 91,298	71,877 1,920,692 79,962	69,702 2,293,617 112,710	86,875 2,747,929 135,120	65,026 2,217,448 125,156	76,432 1,330,748 77,105
34 549000 35 550000	Misc. Other Power Generation Expenses Rents	89,412 3,242	51,593 3,242	106,554 108,524	37,031 10,746	97,797 11,934	90,006 (3,015)	78,329 34,174	57,700 6,146	102,692 (28,312)
36	Total Operations Expense	1,683,634	1,795,970	1,089,987	1,110,501	2,182,262	2,563,020	3,082,427	2,471,476	1,558,665
	Maintenance Expense									
37 551000 38 552000 39 553000 40 554000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering Maintenance of Structures Maintenance of Generating & Electric Plant Maintenance of Miscellaneous Other Power	19,422 7,218 269,465 55,003	21,761 16,187 449,033 66,943	38,719 18,846 351,468 100,654	14,350 36,692 481,382 205,463	14,756 11,621 489,548 83,238	12,638 6,656 309,936 50,574	14,052 41,664 210,879 62,168	11,828 44,698 406,811 67,372	21,028 26,500 554,033 62,474
41	Total Maintenance Expense	351,108	553,924	509,687	737,887	599,163	379,804	328,763	530,709	664,035
42	Total Other Power Generation Expense	2,034,742	2,349,894	1,599,674	1,848,388	2,781,425	2,942,824	3,411,190	3,002,185	2,222,700
	Other Power Supply Expense									
43 555000 44 556000 45 556000 46 557000	Purchased Power System Control & Load Dispatching System Control & Load Dispatching - PV Other Expenses	2,916,181 0 93,000 0	3,352,135 0 86,265 0	3,498,269 0 65,049 60,000	4,139,999 2,007 94,000 0	4,213,097 1,913 90,823 0	5,534,284 866 84,163 0	9,232,105 4,216 93,000 0	27,285,033 1,010 46,888 0	8,320,375 866 62,652 0
47	Total Other Power Supply Expense	3,009,181	3,438,400	3,623,318	4,236,006	4,305,833	5,619,313	9,329,321	27,332,931	8,383,893
48	Total Power Production Expense	21,652,618	21,624,643	21,479,025	23,866,757	23,323,629	25,148,035	30,654,103	48,969,534	28,550,804

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EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY
2021 TEXAS RATE CASE FILING
SCHEDULE G-15: MONTHLY O&M EXPENSE
SPONSOR: JENNIFER I, BORDEN / CYNTHIA S, PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A, ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)	(k)	(1)	(m)	(n)	(o) Payroll	(p) Other	(q) Per Book	(r) Non-Payroll	(s) Payroll	(t) As Adjusted
No. Acct.	Description	October	November	December	Total	Expense	Expense	Total	Adjustments	Adjustment (B)	Total
	Other Power Generation Expenses										
	Operations Expense										
31 546000 32 547000	Operation Supervision & Engineering	78,448	160,691 979.834	221,717	1,104,305 18.814.840	1,011,712	92,593	1,104,305 18.814.840	0	(5,025)	1,099,280
32 547000	Fuel Generation Expenses	1,123,964 49.735	979,834 36.116	1,464,224 40.173	915.904	U	18,814,840 915,904	915.904	(620,399)	0	18,194,441 915.904
34 549000	Misc. Other Power Generation Expenses	78,669	4,095	30,139	824,017	714,124	109,893	824,017	(37,258)	(2,365)	784,394
35 550000	Rents	38,159	901	5,198	190,939	0	190,939	190,939	0	0	190,939
36	Total Operations Expense	1,368,975	1,181,637	1,761,451	21,850,005	1,725,836	20,124,169	21,850,005	(657,657)	(7,390)	21,184,958
	Maintenance Expense										
37 551000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	17,259	13,990	14,631	214,434	186,421	28,013	214,434	(180,185)	179,259	213,508
38 552000	Maintenance of Structures	66,461	(33, 280)	14,755	258,018	68,141	189,877	258,018	) o	(338)	257,680
39 553000	Maintenance of Generating & Electric Plant	921,400	954,093	1,559,209	6,957,257	1,276,517	5,680,740	6,957,257	0	(6,340)	6,950,917
40 554000	Maintenance of Miscellaneous Other Power	93,770	119,228	31,413	998,300	134,541	863,759	998,300	0	(668)	997,632
41	Total Maintenance Expense	1,098,890	1,054,031	1,620,008	8,428,009	1,665,619	6,762,390	8,428,009	(180, 185)	171,913	8,419,737
42	Total Other Power Generation Expense	2,467,865	2,235,668	3,381,459	30,278,014	3,391,455	26,886,559	30,278,014	(837,842)	164,523	29,604,695
	Other Power Supply Expense										
43 555000	Purchased Power	5,089,233	3,837,523	4,819,626	82,237,860	0	82,237,860	82,237,860	169,988	0	82,407,848
44 556000	System Control & Load Dispatching	866	866	866	13,476	0	13,476	13,476	(2,935)	0	10,541
45 556000	System Control & Load Dispatching - PV	94,000	81,261	53,479	944,580	0	944,580	944,580	0	0	944,580
46 557000	Other Expenses	318,642	0	0	378,642	0	378,642	378,642	0	0	378,642
47	Total Other Power Supply Expense	5,502,741	3,919,650	4,873,971	83,574,558	0	83,574,558	83,574,558	167,053	0	83,741,611
48	Total Power Production Expense	25,801,565	24,610,880	54,253,244	349,934,837	17,097,034	332,837,803	349,934,837	(4,513,453)	111,129	345,532,513

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EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY
2021 TEXAS RATE CASE FILING
SCHEDULE G-15: MONTHLY O&M EXPENSE
SPONSOR: JENNIFER I. BORDEN / CYNTHIA S. PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
Line FERC No. Acct.	Description	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
	Transmission Expense									
	Operations Expense									
49 560000	Operation Supervision & Engineering	134,342	160,149	151,664	147,115	170,090	163,978	223,830	178,513	202,386
50 561100	Load Dispatch - Reliability	8,362	11,985	11,446	11,940	12,145	12,100	9,932	7,374	9,641
51 561200	Load Dispatch - Monitor & Oper Trans Sys	64,499	67,666	74,082	76,928	95,250	74,403	90,843	76,918	80,553
52 561300	Load Dispatch - Trans Service & Sched	72,514	84,803	83,683	90,328	101,928	90,769	99,823	87,067	90,026
53 561400	Scheduling, Sys Control & Dispatch Ser	52,105	59,021	53,904	54,710	41,791	57,539	64,242	47,620	61,536
54 561500	Reliability, Planning & Standards Development	51,567	50,544	50,399	55,065	56,831	52,432	69,173	39,634	45,845
55 561600	Transmission Service Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56 561700	Generation Interconnection Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
57 561800	Reliability, Plan & Standards Develop Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
58 562000	Station Expenses	(2,103)	6,925	19,466	8,947	6,829	10,125	9,052	26,709	3,628
59 563000	Overhead Line Expenses	2,984	34,157	138,900	(3,163)	13,721	9,056	7,682	20,490	(451)
60 565000	Transmission of Electricity by Others	515,500	514,863	534,586	523,575	543,182	598,620	630,180	664,515	553,713
61 566000	Miscellaneous Transmission Expenses	568,247	480,085	541,160	584,395	424,754	1,335,507	1,230,540	722,169	993,506
62 567000	Rents	11,442	15,277	9,507	9,366	16,174	4,994	8,911	5,592	5,679
63	Total Operations Expense	1,479,459	1,485,475	1,668,797	1,559,206	1,482,695	2,409,523	2,444,208	1,876,601	2,046,062
	Maintenance Expense									
64 568000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	1,090	99	1,897	1,305	1,577	1,656	1,199	1,260	1,382
65 569000	Maintenance of Structures	42	(6,315)	0	0	96	1,240	154	384	663
66 569100	Maintenance of Computer Hardware	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
67 569200	Maintenance of Computer Software	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
68 569300	Maintenance of Communication Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
69 569400	Maintenance of Misc. Regional Trans Plant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 570000	Maintenance of Station Equipment	7,298	15,239	11,400	33,405	8,369	114,788	3,624	44,586	10,417
71 571000	Maintenance of Overhead Lines	64,184	125,739	149,600	131,001	98,503	191,299	128,399	178,947	102,022
72 573000	Maintenance of Misc. Transmission Plant	426	1,262	806	725	524	1,478	391	544	1,377
73	Total Maintenance Expense	73,040	136,024	163,703	166,436	109,069	310,461	133,767	225,721	115,861
74	Total Transmission Expense	1,552,499	1,621,499	1,832,500	1,725,642	1,591,764	2,719,984	2,577,975	2,102,322	2,161,923

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EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY
2021 TEXAS RATE CASE FILING
SCHEDULE G-15: MONTHLY O&M EXPENSE
SPONSOR: JENNIFER I. BORDEN / CYNTHIA S. PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELDOY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)	(k)	(1)	(m)	(n)	(o) Payroll	(p) Other	(q) Per Book	(r) Non-Payroll	(s) Payroll	(t) As Adjusted
No. Acct.	Description	October	November	December	Total	Expense	Expense	Total	Adjustments	Adjustment (B)	Total
	Transmission Expense										
	Operations Expense										
49 560000	Operation Supervision & Engineering	214,791	205, 279	217,072	2,169,209	2,271,460	(102,251)	2,169,209	0	(11,282)	2,157,927
50 561100	Load Dispatch - Reliability	10,844	11,469	10,909	128,147	128,147	0	128,147	0	(637)	127,570
51 561200	Load Dispatch - Monitor & Oper Trans Sys	76,582	79,246	75, 133	932,103	795,994	0	932,103	0	(3,954)	927,904
52 561300	Load Dispatch - Trans Service & Sched	113,451	91,215	86,609	1,092,216	983,860	0	1,092,216	0	(4,887)	1,087,296
53 561400	Scheduling, Sys Control & Dispatch Ser	58,913	52,194	49, 283	652,858	651,242	0	652,858	0	(3,235)	649,917
54 561500	Reliability, Planning & Standards Development	82,329	60,003	64,816	678,638	600,545	0	678,638	0	(2,983)	675,581
55 561600	Transmission Service Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56 561700	Generation Interconnection Studies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
57 561800	Reliability, Plan & Standards Develop Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
58 562000	Station Expenses	35,393	3,180	9,345	137,496	34,628	102,868	137,496	0	(172)	137,324
59 563000	Overhead Line Expenses	4,406	6,380	6,377	240,539	162,888	77,651	240,539	0	(809)	239,730
60 565000	Transmission of Electricity by Others	537,202	563,801	548,929	6,728,666	0	6,728,666	6,728,666	0	0	6,728,666
61 566000	Miscellaneous Transmission Expenses	779,476	730,925	551,615	8,942,379	4,460,967	4,481,412	8,942,379	128,885	(22,157)	9,049,107
62 567000	Rents	10,100	7,590	13,311	117,943	0	117,943	117,943	0	0	117,943
63	Total Operations Expense	1,923,487	1,811,282	1,633,399	21,820,194	10,089,731	11,406,289	21,820,194	128,885	(50,115)	21,898,965
	Maintenance Expense										
64 568000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	1,319	1,015	1,717	15,516	0	15,516	15,516	0	0	15,516
65 569000	Maintenance of Structures	1,766	158	107	(1,705)	0	(1,705)	(1,705)	0	0	(1,705)
66 569100	Maintenance of Computer Hardware	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
67 569200	Maintenance of Computer Software	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
68 569300	Maintenance of Communication Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
69 569400	Maintenance of Misc. Regional Trans Plant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 570000	Maintenance of Station Equipment	24,086	9,553	35,098	317,863	796	317,067	317,863	0	(4)	317,859
71 571000	Maintenance of Overhead Lines	109,907	85,543	160,098	1,525,242	727,958	797,284	1,525,242	0	(3,616)	1,521,626
72 573000	Maintenance of Misc. Transmission Plant	1,070	6,485	24,638	39,726	8,139	31,587	39,726	0	(40)	39,686
73	Total Maintenance Expense	138,148	102,754	221,658	1,896,642	736,893	1,159,749	1,896,642	0	(3,660)	1,892,982
74	Total Transmission Expense	2,061,635	1,914,036	1,855,057	23,716,836	10,826,624	12,566,038	23,716,836	128,885	(53,775)	23,791,947

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PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELDOY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	<b>(j)</b>
Line No.	FERC Acct.	Description	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
		Distribution Expense	-								
		Operations Expense	-								
	80000	Operation Supervision & Engineering	78,900	80,885	92,339	89,949	87,475	83,723	163,416	82,979	100,796
	81000	Load Dispatching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	82000	Station Expenses	215,796	110,601	87,577	69,458	73,000	129,858	142,830	172,003	120,527
	83000	Overhead Line Expenses	108,268	83,744	85,725	65,027	59,734	54,238	155,440	68,744	45,716
	84000	Underground Line Expenses	85,430	35,904	85,089	61,655	90,330	31,657	100,768	131,116	32,324
	85000	Street Lighting & Signal System Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	86000	Meter Expenses	144,010	156,224	153,314	175,132	183,345	194,972	201,722	182,941	182,206
	87000	Customer Installations Expenses	33,163	41,054	44,700	44,498	42,769	44,948	51,724	49,149	44,348
	00088	Miscellaneous Distribution Expenses	756,932	618,228	662,534	627,963	667,205	756,758	891,905	684,576	657,752
84 5	89000	Rents	47,475	46,117	9,793	22,206	27,434	17,607	27,415	24,233	10,657
85		Total Operations Expense	1,469,974	1,172,757	1,221,071	1,155,888	1,231,292	1,313,761	1,735,220	1,395,741	1,194,326
		Maintenance Expense	<b>=</b>								
86 5	90000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	4,678	5,999	4,216	5,451	5,943	(1,165)	0	4,118	7,333
87 5	91000	Maintenance of Structures	420	156	104	405	658	308	816	430	12
88 5	92000	Maintenance of Station Equipment	106,802	118,405	124,992	130,496	153,950	248,263	186,089	164,999	159,000
89 5	93000	Maintenance of Overhead Lines	348,385	767,335	489,047	562,775	474,650	483,678	502,278	775,738	538,262
	94000	Maintenance of Underground Lines	439,561	(326,290)	57,671	116,759	64,587	100,426	(7,674)	180,655	58,544
91 5	95000	Maintenance of Line Transformers	0	301	0	0	0	0	2,746	0	0
92 5	96000	Maint. of Street Lighting & Signal System	25,563	26,017	20,312	23,309	15,618	29,014	18,826	33,351	24,568
93 5	97000	Maintenance of Meters	8,761	14,869	20,892	14,955	12,231	19,802	20,404	30,509	25,541
94 5	98000	Maintenance of Misc. Distribution Plant	79,229	37,080	31,193	70,084	31,684	66,063	59,822	65,447	34,034
95		Total Maintenance Expense	1,013,399	643,872	748,427	924,234	759,321	946,389	783,307	1,255,247	847,294
96		Total Distribution Expense	2,483,373	1,816,629	1,969,498	2,080,122	1,990,613	2,260,150	2,518,527	2,650,988	2,041,620

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PREPARER: MYRNA A, ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)	(k)	(1)	(m)	(n)	(o) Payroll	(p) Other	(q) Per Book	(r) Non-Payroll	(s) Payroll	(t) As Adjusted
No. Acct.	Description	October	November	December	Total	Expense	Expense	Total	Adjustments	Adjustment (B)	Total
	Distribution Expense										
	Distribution Expense										
	Operations Expense										
75 580000	Operation Supervision & Engineering	89,078	80,738	77,888	1,108,166	999,009	109,157	1,108,166	0	(4,962)	1,103,204
76 581000	Load Dispatching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
77 582000	Station Expenses	57,377	98,858	156,390	1,434,275	851,863	582,412	1,434,275	0	(4,231)	1,430,044
78 583000	Overhead Line Expenses	59,831	51,294	55,791	893,552	701,564	191,988	893,552	0	(3,485)	890,067
79 584000	Underground Line Expenses	62,760	81,860	39,067	837,960	45,107	792,853	837,960	0	(224)	837,736
80 585000	Street Lighting & Signal System Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0
81 586000	Meter Expenses	196,384	184,568	170,084	2,124,902	1,801,510	323,392	2,124,902	(1,885)	(8,948)	2,114,069
82 587000	Customer Installations Expenses	51,039	47,878	52,047	547,317	490,801	56,516	547,317	0	(2,438)	544,879
83 588000	Miscellaneous Distribution Expenses	666,776	743,080	1,006,611	8,740,320	5,333,030	3,407,290	8,740,320	(77,018)	(26,489)	8,636,813
84 589000	Rents	26,649	23,378	58,170	341,134		341,134	341,134			341,134
85	Total Operations Expense	1,209,894	1,311,654	1,616,048	16,027,626	10,222,884	5,804,742	16,027,626	(78,903)	(50,777)	15,897,946
	Maintenance Expense										
86 590000	Maintenance Supervision & Engineering	6,185	5,691	5,424	53,873	51,066	2,807	53,873	0	(254)	53,619
87 591000	Maintenance of Structures	593	22	104	4,028	1,225	2,803	4,028	0	(6)	4,022
88 592000	Maintenance of Station Equipment	248,646	167,569	69,978	1,879,189	1,277,018	602,171	1,879,189	0	(6,343)	1,872,846
89 593000	Maintenance of Overhead Lines	601,001	432,581	373,991	6,349,721	2,300,434	4,049,287	6,349,721	0	(11,426)	6,338,295
90 594000	Maintenance of Underground Lines	86,574	79,148	24,376	874,337	397,698	476,639	874,337	0	(1,975)	872,362
91 595000	Maintenance of Line Transformers	0	0	5,624	8,671	1,571	7,100	8,671	0	(8)	8,663
92 596000	Maint. of Street Lighting & Signal System	27,496	26,371	17,752	288,197	177,756	110,441	288,197	0	(883)	287,314
93 597000	Maintenance of Meters	25,877	17,092	22,211	233,144	200,988	32,156	233,144	0	(998)	232,146
94 598000	Maintenance of Misc. Distribution Plant	34,752	90,176	63,464	663,028	46,859	616,169	663,028		(233)	662,795
95	Total Maintenance Expense	1,031,124	818,650	582,924	10,354,188	4,454,615	5,899,573	10,354,188	0	(22,126)	10,332,062
96	Total Distribution Expense	2,241,018	2,130,304	2,198,972	26,381,814	14,677,499	11,704,315	26,381,814	(78,903)	(72,903)	26,230,008

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PREPARER: MYRNA A, ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
Line FERC No. Acct.	Description	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
	Customer Accounts Expense									
97 901000 98 902000 99 903000 100 904000 101 905000	Supervision Meter Reading Expenses Customer Records & Collection Expenses Uncollectible Accounts Misc. Customer Accounts Expenses	1,397 197,800 1,170,231 163,000 8,784	0 184,779 1,139,518 79,000 14,330	0 185,463 1,153,513 158,848 15,366	0 203,126 1,209,679 127,890 10,931	0 204,902 1,319,048 250,000 3,689	0 208,210 1,276,010 200,200 19,745	0 251,680 1,333,164 411,000 9,700	190,304 1,180,647 484,200 6,741	0 224,096 1,268,134 288,069 (6,354)
102	Total Customer Accounts Expense	1,541,212	1,417,627	1,513,190	1,551,626	1,777,639	1,704,165	2,005,544	1,861,892	1,773,945
	Customer Svcs. & Info. Expense									
103 908000 104 909000	Customer Assistance Expenses Infor. & Instr. Advertising Expenses	0 10,648	0 10,631	0 10,508	0 20,533	0 745	0 11,540	0 20,518	0 744	0 10,631
105	Total Customer Svcs. & Info. Expense	10,648	10,631	10,508	20,533	745	11,540	20,518	744	10,631
106 912000	Demonstrating & Selling Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELDOY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Line FERC	(a)  Description	(k) October	(l) November	(m)December	(n) Total	(o) Payroll Expense	(p) Other Expense	(q) Per Book Total	(r) Non-Payroll Adjustments	(s) Payroll Adjustment (B)	(t) As Adjusted Total
	Customer Accounts Expense										
97 901000 98 902000 99 903000 100 904000 101 905000	Supervision Meter Reading Expenses Customer Records & Collection Expenses Uncollectible Accounts Misc. Customer Accounts Expenses	0 211,119 1,284,052 36,427 4,680	25 219,392 1,119,231 543,400 10,844	0 220,284 1,113,074 107,223 11,154	1,422 2,501,155 14,566,301 2,849,257 109,610	0 1,833,744 6,948,541 0 0	1,422 667,411 7,617,760 2,849,257 109,610	1,422 2,501,155 14,566,301 2,849,257 109,610	0 0 (131,276) (814,170) 0	0 (9,108) (34,513) 0 0	1,422 2,492,047 14,400,512 2,229,477 109,610
102	Total Customer Accounts Expense	1,536,278	1,892,892	1,451,735	20,027,745	8,782,285	11,245,460	20,027,745	(945,446)	(43,621)	19,233,068
	Customer Svcs. & Info. Expense										
103 908000 104 909000	Customer Assistance Expenses Infor. & Instr. Advertising Expenses	0 11,447	0 10,631	0 10,629	0 129,205	0	0 129,205	0 129,205	0 (645)	0	0 128,560
105	Total Customer Svcs. & Info. Expense	11,447	10,631	10,629	129,205	0	129,205	129,205	(645)	0	128,560
106 912000	Demonstrating & Selling Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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SCHEDULE G-16. MONTHLY O&M EXPENSE
SPONSOR: JENNIFER I. BORDEN / CYNTHIA S. PRIETO
PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	(a)		(b)		(c)	(d)	(e)		(f)		(g)	(h)	()	j)		(j)
Line FERC No. Acct.	: Description		January	Feb	ruary	March	April		May		June	July	Aug	gust		September
	Administrative & General Expense	_														
	Operation	_														
107 920000	Administrative & General Salaries		2,320,109	2	235,399	2,414,026	2,810,9	91	2,828,898		2,152,977	3,512,437	2,8	890, 197		2,733,202
108 921000	Office Supplies & Expenses		343,814		393,870	371,886	315,6	32	577,778		624,397	364,850	4	432,317		374,812
109 923000	Outside Services Employed		1,288,740	- 1	254,833	1,301,454	1,272,7	47	1,666,663		1,121,392	1,333,151	1,3	391,892		868,175
110 924000	Property Insurance		364,838		393,006	360,967	239,8	58	446,291		434,998	438,465	4	437,300		435,030
111 924000	Property Insurance - PV (A)		115,348		111,153	(1,892,301)	104,3	52	112,757		110,803	114,711	1	113,053		132,186
112 925000	Injuries & Damages		422,288		281,823	386,091	317,1	56	280,911		199,409	349,859	- 2	250,640		390,142
113 925000	Injuries & Damages - PV (A)		98,000		47,640	73,508	72,0	100	70,611		(35,472)	106,000	(1	118,713)		72,076
114 926000	Employee Pensions & Benefits		738,741		748,409	2,895,791	1,996,9	93	1,402,393		1,862,033	1,938,922	- 2	200,325		2,099,858
115 926000	Employee Pensions & Benefits - PV (A)		544,000		456,460	517,445	511,0	100	470,833		(98,095)	521,000	1	168,529		(85,878)
116 928000	Regulatory Commission Expenses		1,359,285		794,745	971,991	1,097,2	56	831,054		478,501	1,251,382	9	940,773		835,799
117 928000	Regulatory Commission Expenses - PV (A)		210,000		206,704	245,967	225,0	100	238,940		265,665	231,000	1	142,193		215,261
118 930100	General Advertising Expenses		18,128		2,003	265,721	30,5	19	73,394		103,937	137,838		160,912		217,811
119 930200	Miscellaneous General Expenses		248,627		186,089	195,978	402,6	78	242,933		259,950	466,365	3	396, 166		38,081
120 930200	Miscellaneous General Expenses - PV (A)		914,083		803,206	1,039,676	1,060,4	108	849,669		3,066,775	848,894	8	857,836		865,718
121 931000	Rents		34,848		32,931	34,316	33,0	21	41,633		27,889	 36,717		31,283	_	27,410
122	Total Operation		9,020,849		7,948,271	9,182,516	10,489,	<u>611</u>	10,134,758		10,575,159	 11,651,591	8	294,703	_	9,219,683
123 935000	Maintenance of General Plant		736,486		777,002	717,356	838,0	74	860,548		796,515	 749,005		949,778	_	978,171
124	Total Administrative & General Expense		9,757,335	8	725,273	9,899,872	11,327,6	85	10,995,306	1	1,371,674	 12,400,596	9,2	244,481	_	10,197,854
125	Total Operation & Maintenance Expense	\$	36,997,685 \$	35	216.302 \$	36,704,593 \$	40.572.3	65 \$	39,679,696	\$ 4	3.215.548	\$ 50.177.263 \$	64.8	829.961	\$	44.736.777

<sup>(</sup>A) As explained in the direct testimony of Cynthia S. Prieto, in compliance with the FERC audit report in Docket No. PA19-3-000, in Docember 2020, the Company reclassified portions of the billings from Arizona Public Service Company recorded as administrative and general expenses (A&G) into Account 524000, Miscellaneous Nuclear Power Expenses for the operation and maintenance (O&M) of the Palo Verde Generation Station. This reclassification represents a shift from A&G into O&M accounts not an increase in costs incurred during the test year ended December 31, 2020.

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PREPARER: MYRNA A. ORTIZ / MELODY BOISSELIER
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

====	(a)	(k)	(1)	(m)	(n)	(0)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(s)	(t)
Line FERC	Description	October	November	December	Total	Payroll Expense	Other Expense	Per Book Total	Non-Payroll Adjustments	Payroll Adjustment (B)	As Adjusted Total
No. Acct.	Description	October	November	December	I Otal	Expense	Expense	Total	Adjustments	Adjustment (B)	I Otal
	Administrative & General Expense	<u></u>									
	Operation	<u></u>									
107 920000	Administrative & General Salaries	2,536,879	2,668,374	2,836,144	31,939,633	31,939,633	0	31,939,633	(8,619)	(166,333)	31,764,681
108 921000	Office Supplies & Expenses	426,602	501,399	746,006	5,473,363	0	5,473,363	5,473,363	(694,120)	0	4,779,243
109 923000	Outside Services Employed	1,704,788	1, 206, 923	1,505,763	15,916,521	0	15,916,521	15,916,521	(15,522)	0	15,900,999
110 924000	Property Insurance	435,019	438,721	427,783	4,852,276	0	4,852,276	4,852,276	477,475	0	5,329,751
111 924000	Property Insurance - PV (A)	114,711	(297,856)	1,161,083	0	Ō	0	0	Ö	0	0
112 925000	Injuries & Damages	270,548	283,877	211,468	3,644,212	0	3,644,212	3,644,212	(324,935)	0	3,319,277
113 925000	Injuries & Damages - PV (A)	72,000	82,946	(540,596)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
114 926000	Employee Pensions & Benefits	1,216,588	1,620,270	1,612,039	18,332,362	0	18,332,362	18,332,362	(546,594)	(6,782,701)	11,003,067
115 926000	Employee Pensions & Benefits - PV (A)	489,000	163,807	(3,658,101)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
116 928000	Regulatory Commission Expenses	1,374,772	1,219,551	2,063,656	13,218,765	0	13,218,765	13,218,765	(603,441)	0	12,615,324
117 928000	Regulatory Commission Expenses - PV (A)	234,000	190,586	(2,405,316)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
118 930100	General Advertising Expenses	89,974	10,650	582,255	1,693,142	0	1,693,142	1,693,142	(155,311)	0	1,537,831
119 930200	Miscellaneous General Expenses	505,948	58,572	14,438	3,015,825	0	3,015,825	3,015,825	1,142,254	0	4,158,079
120 930200	Miscellaneous General Expenses - PV (A)	1,033,264	750,389	(11,662,450)	427,468	0	427,468	427,468	0	0	427,468
121 931000	Rents	37,521	32,175	36,490	406,234	0	406,234	406,234	0	0	406,234
122	Total Operation	10,541,614	8,930,384	(7,069,338)	98,919,801	31,939,633	66,980,168	98,919,801	(728,813)	(6,949,034)	91,241,954
123 935000	Maintenance of General Plant	737,561	891,386	488,941	9,520,823	230,131	9,290,692	9,520,823	0	(1,143)	9,519,680
124	Total Administrative & General Expense	11,279,175	9,821,770	(6,580,397)	108,440,624	32,169,764	76,270,860	108,440,624	(728,813)	(6,950,177)	100,761,634
125	Total Operation & Maintenance Expense	\$ 42,931,118 \$	40,380,513 \$	53,189,240 \$	528,631,061 \$	83,553,206 \$	444,753,682 \$	528,631,061 \$	(6,138,375)	(7,009,347) \$	515,677,730

(A) As explained in the direct testimony of Cynthia S. Prieto, in compliance with the FERC audit report in Docket No. PA19-3-000, in December 2020, the Company reclassified portions of the billings from Arizona Public Service Company recorded as administrative and general expenses (A&O) into Account 524000, Miscellaneous Nuclear Power Expenses for the operation and maintenance (O&M) of the Palo Verde Generation 3tation. This reclassification represents a shift from A&G into O&M accounts not an increase in costs incurred during the test year ended December 31, 2020.

#### **ATTACHMENT DH-7**

#### LIST OF PREVIOUS TESTIMONY FOR

### Diane Hopingardner

#### 1. **Docket No. 51100**

Application of the City of Lubbock, By and Through Lubbock Power & Light, for Authority to Establish Initial Wholesale Transmission Rates and Tariffs.

#### 2. Docket No. 50584

Joint Report and Application of Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC; AxInfra US, LP; Hotspur Holdco 1 LLC; Hotspur Holdco 2, LLC; and 730 Hotspur, LLC, For Regulatory Approvals Under PURA §§ 14.101, 39.262, and 39.915.

# 3. <u>Docket No. 51611</u>

Application of Sharyland Utilities, LLC for Authority to Change Rates.

# 4. Docket No 51802

Application of Southwestern Public Service Company for Authority to Change Rates

#### 5. Docket No. 51671

Application of AEP Texas Inc. for the Final Reconciliation of Advanced Metering Costs

## 6. Docket No. 51997

Application of Entergy Texas, Inc. for Determination of System Restoration Costs