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APPLICATION OF EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY TO CHANGE RATES

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE PROTECTIVE ORDER

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The undersigned attorney for El Paso Electric Company ("EPE") submits this statement under the section 4 of the Protective Order entered in this case. Materials provided in CEP 16-1, Attachment 1 and CEP 16-2, Attachment 1 in City of El Paso's 16th set of discovery are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to section 552.110 of the Public Information Act.¹

Information is confidential if it is commercial or financial information for which it is demonstrated that disclosure would cause substantial competitive harm to the person from whom the information was obtained. The information contained in CEP 16-1, Attachment 1 contains EPE employee salary and incentive pay information. The information contained in CEP 16-2, Attachment 1 contains EPE employee salary information. EPE's employee salaries and incentive pay amounts are financial information the disclosure of which would cause substantial competitive harm to EPE and therefore such information should be designated as confidential.

The undersigned counsel for EPE has reviewed the information described above sufficiently to state in good faith that the information is exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act and merits the highly sensitive protected materials designation given to it.

Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 552.110.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of this document was served by email on all parties of record on November 4, 2021.

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