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

RATE 41 GROUP'S RESPONSE TO EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Rate 41 Group ("Rate 41") files this response to El Paso Electric Company's ("EPE") First Request for Information ("RFI") to the Rate 41 Group. Rate 41 received EPE's First RFI on November 10, 2021. Pursuant to Order No. 1, Rate 41's response is due within five (5) working days. This response is therefore timely filed. All parties may treat these answers as if they were filed under oath.

Rate 41 reserves the right to object at the time of the hearing to the admissibility of information produced herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby	certify	that a	true	and	correct	copy	of	the	foregoing	g instrument	has	been
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accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.												

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RATE 41 GROUP'S RESPONSE TO EPE'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

EPE-RATE 41 GROUP 1-1:

Refer to Table 1 of the direct testimony of Rate 41 witness James W. Daniel. Please explain and support the basis for the 20% Rate 41 discount (in specificity); the rate class decrease floor of 50%; and reducing the rate decreases at unity cost of several classes by 50%.

Response:

For the basis for the 20% Rate 41 discount, see the answer to the question "Please explain the basis for the 20% base rate discount for the Rate 41 customer class," which appears on page 11, line 17, through page 12, line 17, of the direct testimony of Rate 41 witness James Daniel. The rate class decrease floor of 50%, which also reduces the rate decrease at unity, is what was proposed by EPE. For the basis for the floor of 50%, refer to Section V of the direct testimony of EPE witness Manuel Carrasco.

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