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APPLICATION OF EL PASO	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ELECTRIC COMPANY TO	§	\mathbf{OF}
CHANGE RATES	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

JOINT REPORT REGARDING STATUS OF SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES:

Pursuant to SOAH Order No. 10, the parties to this case hereby file this their joint report regarding the status of their negotiations towards potential resolution of the application filed by El Paso Electric Company ("EPE") that is the subject of this docket.

EPE, the intervenors, and the staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas continue to work diligently toward a goal of reaching potential settlement of the case, have exchanged multiple cost allocation and rate design proposals, and have participated in multiple video conference calls to discuss these proposals. These parties plan to continue engaging in settlement negotiations moving forward and, therefore, request that the abatement be continued.

The parties propose that they will file another status report by February 9, 2022, and report whether the abatement should be lifted or continued. EPE is authorized to represent that all parties to the case agree with or are unopposed to this status report.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing Joint Report on Status of Settlement Negotiations has been served on all counsel of record on this 2nd day of February, 2022.

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