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## **VIA ONLINE SUBMISSION**

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Re: PUC Docket No. 52195; SOAH Docket No. 473-21-2606, Application of El Paso

Electric Company to Change Rates

To the Office of Policy and Docket Management:

On August 26, 2022, the Office of Policy and Docket Management ("OPDM") of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUCT" or "Commission") filed a Memo and Proposed Order in the above-styled proceeding. The Memo established a deadline of September 6, 2022 for the parties to provide corrections or exceptions to the proposed Order. Therefore, this response is timely filed.

As reflected in the settlement agreement filed by the parties, the proposed Order acknowledges in Finding of Fact No. 50 that the Rate 41 Group joined the agreement contingent on obtaining approval from each of its members' respective boards. This letter is to advise OPDM, the Commission, and the parties that the Rate 41 members obtained all necessary approvals during board meetings held throughout the month of August 2022. Accordingly, Rate 41 respectfully recommends adding the following sentence to Finding of Fact No. 50 as reflected below to the extent the Commission may think necessary or appropriate:

50. The Rate 41 group joined the agreement contingent on obtaining approvals from each of its members. The Rate 41 group reserved the right to withdraw from the agreement before a final order was issued by the Commission if all necessary board approvals were not obtained. On September 6, 2022, counsel for the Rate 41 group made a filing with the Commission confirming that all necessary board approvals were obtained during the month of August 2022.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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