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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
STATE OF TEXAS

ORDER GRANTING EXCEPTION

This Order addresses the motion filed by Commission Staff for an exception to 16 Texas Administrative Code § 25.507. This rule allows the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT) to procure emergency response service intended to be deployed during an energy emergency alert. Commission Staff asserts, and the Commission agrees, that ERCOT must be able to deploy emergency response service before an energy emergency alert is declared to effectively maintain the reliability of the ERCOT grid. Requiring ERCOT to withhold use of emergency response service, a key reliability tool, until the onset of an emergency is detrimental to the reliable operation of the ERCOT grid. The Commission finds that the need to use emergency response service prior to an energy emergency alert to maintain a reliable grid is good cause to grant an exception to this requirement in 16 TAC § 25.507.

The Commission grants an exception to the requirement in 16 Texas Administrative Code § 25.507 that emergency response service be deployed during an energy emergency alert. Accordingly, emergency response service may be deployed prior to ERCOT declaring an energy emergency alert.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 4th day of November 2021.

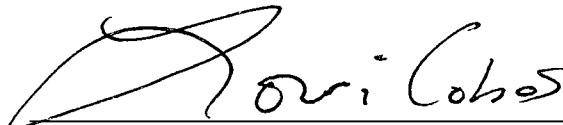
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