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APPLICATION OF AEP TEXAS INC. TO \$ BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE ADJUST ITS ENERGY EFFICIENCY \$ OF COST RECOVERY FACTOR AND \$ ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS RELATED RELIEF \$

AEP TEXAS INC.'S STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF PROTECTIVE ORDER

Certain documents provided in response to Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas' (Staff) First Request for Information to AEP Texas Inc. (AEP Texas), Question No. 1-1 are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 552.110 of the Public Information Act¹ and Section 32.101(c) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act and are subject to treatment as Highly Sensitive materials.

The materials provided in response to Staff's Question No. 1-1 contain non-public commercially sensitive contractual terms and agreements as well as related pricing information that if released, would provide an advantage to a competitor or bidder and could cause substantial competitive harm to AEP Texas.

Counsel for AEP Texas has reviewed the documents sufficiently to state in good faith that the documents are exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act and merit the Highly Sensitive designation given to them.

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¹ Tex. Gov. Code Ann. § 552.001-.353.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on July 25, 2022 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules issued in Project No. 50664.

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