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<b>APPLICATION OF ENTERGY TEXAS,</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION</b>
<b>INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>RATES</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>OF TEXAS</b>

**COMMISSION STAFF’S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE DIRECT TESTIMONY  
LATE**

On July 1, 2022, Entergy Texas, Inc. (ETI) filed its application for approval to change base rates with the Commission. On July 29, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) for the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) filed a SOAH Order adopting a procedural schedule to include a deadline of November 2, 2022 for the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Texas) to file direct testimony. On November 2, 2022, Staff filed a letter in this docket indicating that it would be filing the direct testimony of Ethan Blanchard addressing cost allocation and rate design late but as soon as possible and on November 9, 2022, Staff filed Mr. Blanchard’s direct testimony. Importantly, Mr. Blanchard’s direct testimony provides the "flow-through" impacts to rates of the adjustments proposed by other Staff witnesses and does not include any substantive recommended adjustments. In addition, consistent with longstanding practice, the modeling underlying Mr. Blanchard's testimony will be used in the number running process for the proposal for decision and for the rates ultimately set by the Commission. On October 25, 2022, Staff received a response from ETI relevant to its analysis of ETI’s cost allocation and rate design that caused some delay in the preparation of Mr. Blanchard’s modeling.<sup>1</sup> Further, the preparation of Mr. Blanchard’s modeling and direct testimony was more time-consuming than anticipated at the time that Staff received the additional information. Therefore, Staff respectfully requests that it be given leave to file Mr. Blanchard’s direct testimony late. Staff does not believe that any party will be prejudiced by the lateness, but will confer with the parties if any scheduling changes are necessary as a result of the late filing.

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<sup>1</sup> Response of Entergy Texas, Inc. to Staff’s Ninth Request for Information: Staff 9:1 (Oct. 25, 2022).

Dated: November 9, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was transmitted by electronic mail to the parties of record on November 9, 2022 in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules issued in Docket No. 50664.

/s/ Scott Miles  
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