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PETITION TO APPOINT A \$ PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION TEMPORARY MANAGER FOR STONE \$ HEDGE UTILITY COMPANY, INC. \$ OF TEXAS

ORDER NO. 1 SCHEDULING HEARING AND PREHEARING CONFERENCE, ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE, AND ADDRESSING OTHER PROCEDURAL MATTERS

This Order addresses the September 20, 2022 petition by Commission Staff to appoint a temporary manager for Stone Hedge Utility Company, Inc. Commission Staff requests that Undine Texas, LLC be appointed as temporary manager for the electric utility beginning on December 3, 2022, and ending on December 3, 2023, or when Undine Texas is discharged from these responsibilities by the Commission or a superseding action is taken by an appropriate court, whichever occurs earlier.

I. Notice of Hearing on the Merits

The parties are hereby notified that the hearing on the merits in this matter will be held during the Commission's open meeting currently scheduled to begin at **9:30 a.m. on October 20, 2022**, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, located at the William B. Travis Office Building, 1701 N. Congress, Seventh Floor, Austin, Texas. The parties must be present promptly at 9:30 a.m. for consideration of this docket at the Commissioners' convenience.

By <u>September 26, 2022</u>, Commission Staff must file and serve upon Stone Hedge Utility a notice of hearing that complies with the requirements of Texas Government Code §§ 2001.051–.052.

II. Notice of Prehearing Conference

The parties are hereby notified that a prehearing conference in this matter will be held at **11:00 a.m. on October 19, 2022**, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, located at the William B. Travis Office Building, 1701 N. Congress, Seventh Floor, Austin, Texas.

At the prehearing conference, the administrative law judge (ALJ) will rule on the admissibility of prefiled exhibits and any other matters that may assist in the disposition of this case in a fair and efficient manner.

III. Regarding Distribution and Number of Copies

By September 30, 2022, the parties must electronically file through the Commission's interchange (https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/): (a) a list of the witnesses they plan to call at the hearing; and (b) copies of the exhibits they plan to offer as evidence at the hearing.

In addition, the parties must provide two labeled USB flash drives with the complete set of exhibits they plan to offer into evidence, together with an exhibit list. No hard copies are required.

The ALJ will distribute the copies to the Commissioners and Commission Counsel. Should any confidential exhibits be presented, the above number of copies must also be provided for hearing purposes. Confidential exhibits must meet the requirements of 16 TAC § 22.71(d)(1).

Signed at Austin, Texas the 21st day of September 2022.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

KATIE MOORE MARX ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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