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- 1. Disband and eliminate all electric service providers and return distribution to the grid operators and generators.
- 2. Return to a regulated utility format.
- 3. Acknowledge the scheme put in place by Enron, Lay and Bush is a failure.
- 4. The profits related to (1) above should have been going to the grid and future development of power generators.
- 5. Returning to a regulated environment would assure planning for future needs in Texas without being subject to the whims of grid operators and power generators. The grid operators today are making a fortune and not maintaining the grid. An example is Centerpoint where there are constant and numerous outings in ever minor weather event.
- 6. The current system of retail electric providers is a business that does not need to exist and only created to benefit large commercial users. The average retail consumer is faced with having to decipher complicated and unnecessary pricing schemes and that these border on blatant price fixing.
- 7. The P.U.C. worries about capacity. Pricing schemes in 6 above penalize a user fort using less than a certain amount of KW. The difference is beyond comprehension. For example, if one uses 1500 KW versus 999 KW, they get a \$100 bill credit. So conservation of electricity production is defeated.
- 8. Also, electricity is electricity. Why is there a difference in cost? Just more gimmicks to feed a made up business. In La Grange Tx, one calls the city and asks for service. There are no 30 page contracts and the cost is constant 1t around \$0.10/KWhr. Yet in Houston, customers have to wade through not only complicated pricing schemes but also 30 pages of forms that are totally unnecessary.
- 9. Then one needs to ask the question how does someone in the 80's and 90's even start to deal with this mess? They don't.
- 10. Time to return to regulated utilities and distribution and take it back from the private sector to the public sector and tell the lobbyists to take a hike. The current system is broken and situations like the freeze whose effects are now being felt via higher natural gas prices, higher electric costs and higher property insurance would never have occurred and going as far back as the 70's never experienced because of weather.
- 11. Run this state for the voter and not industry lobbyists!

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