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APPLICATION OF SOUTH TEXAS	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TO	§	
AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF	§	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR	§	
THE PROPOSED SAN MIGUEL-TO-	§	OF
CRUCE 345-KV TRANSMISSION LINE	§	
IN ATASCOSA, MCMULLEN, DUVAL	§	
AND JIM HOGG COUNTIES	Ş	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

BFG LAND & CATTLE LTD.'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO HIGHWAY 16 RANCH, LLC

Pursuant to Sections 22.141 and 22.144 of the Commission's Procedural Rules, Intervenor BFG Land & Cattle Ltd. ("BFG Land & Cattle") request that Highway 16 Ranch, LLC provide responses to the following Requests for Information (RFI) and stipulate in writing that all responses can be treated exactly as though they were filed under oath. Highway 16 Ranch, LLC must fully respond to these RFIs within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Requests. If any RFI appears ambiguous, please contact counsel for BFG Land & Cattle to obtain clarification.

Pursuant to P.U.C. PROC. R. § 22.144(c), each response must identify the preparer or person under whose direct supervision the response was prepared, and the sponsoring witnesses, if any. In addition, each request must be answered separately and be preceded with the appropriate question.

Pursuant to P.U.C. PROC. R. § 22.144(i), STEC is under a duty to supplement any response that, in light of newly discovered information, modifies or makes incomplete an answer already supplied to BFG Land & Cattle within five (5) days of the discovery of the new information.

The answers must have sufficient detail to fully present all the relevant facts. BFG Land & Cattle requests that Highway 16 Ranch, LLC provide the answers in the order in which they are listed in this request for information. If responses to all the requests cannot be provided quickly,

BFG Land & Cattle requests that each item of information be provided as it is available or

completed.

Unless written requests for clarification are received by the undersigned, it shall be

presumed that all requests are fully and completely understood.

If the items requested to be produced herein have already been provided in other discovery

answers to any party, it shall not be necessary to duplicate such production. It shall be sufficient

that the answer containing the requested information is clearly identified. Where only a portion of

the requested information has been previously provided, this shall be disclosed and all information

necessary to fully and completely answer this discovery request shall be provided in your answer.

If the requested document is found in the public records of the PUC or other governmental

agency, the answering party shall describe the exact location, file name, and custodian from whom

the specific referenced document can be obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties and counsel of record on July 5, 2023, in accordance with PUC Procedural Rule 22.74 and Orders issued in Docket No. 54936 to date.

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DEFINITIONS

- 1. "You," and "your" refers to Highway 16 Ranch, LLC and any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf, including without limitation, attorneys, agents, advisors, investigators, representatives, employees or other persons.
- 2. "Application" means the application filed by South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. "STEC" to amend its certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) for the proposed San Miguel-to-Cruce Double Circuit 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Atascosa, McMullen, Duval, and Jim Hogg Counties, Texas, Docketed as SOAH Docket No. 473-23-18893, PUC Docket No. 54936.
- 3. Clay and Julie Edwards' "Route B-1" Consists of the following combination of Segments 1-3-4-8-9A-9B-12-17A-17B-23-29-32-40-46-49-52-59-61-70A-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 4. "STEC's "Route O" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-2A-94-97-9B-12-17A-17B-22-24-32-40-46-49-52-59-61-70A-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 5. STEC's "Route Q" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-2A-2B-2C-14-20-31-39-45-51-60-69A-100-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 6. Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s "Route Q Alt. 1" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-3-4-8-9A-9B-12-17A-17B-22-24-32-40-46-49-50-51-60-69A-100-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 7. Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s "Route Q Alt. 2" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-3-4-8-9A-9B-12-17A-17B-22-24-32-38-39-45-51-60-69A-100-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 8. Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s "Route Q Alt. 3" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-3-4-8-9A-9B-12-17A-17B-22-24-28-31-39-45-51-60-69A-100-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 9. Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s "Route R" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-3-4-8-9A-9B-12-17A-17B-22-24-32-40-46-49-52-59-61-70A-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 10. Leo Quintanilla's "Route Z4" consists of the following combination of Segments: 1-2A-94-97-9B-12-17A-17B-23-33-37-40-46-49-52-59-61-70A-70B-76-80-86-91-93.
- 11. "Communication" means any oral, written, or electronic statements, representations, discussions, conversations, speeches, meetings, remarks, questions, answers,

panel discussions, or symposium of which South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. has knowledge, information or belief.

- 12. "Concerning" means, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, referring to, relating to, being connected with, commenting on, responding to, showing, describing, analyzing, reflecting embodying, mentioning, or constituting the subject matter identified in the request.
- 13. "Date" means the exact day, month, and year, if ascertainable or, if not, the best approximation.
- 14. "Describe" or "identify" when used in reference to a document, means you must state, to the fullest extent possible, the following:
 - a. The nature (e.g. letter, handwritten note) of the document;
 - b. The title or heading that appears on the document;
 - c. The date of the document and the date of each addendum, supplement, or other addition or change;
 - d. The identity of the author of the document; any signatory or signatories of the document; and the person on whose behalf or at whose request or direction the document was prepared or delivered; and
 - e. The present location of the document, and the name, address, position or title, and telephone number(s) of the person(s) having custody of the document.
- 15. The terms "document" or "documents" are used in their broadest sense to include, but not be limited to, all written or graphic matter of every kind and description whether printed, produced, or reproduced, by any process whether visually, magnetically, mechanically, electronically, or by hand, whether final or draft, original or reproduction, whether privileged or otherwise excludable from discovery, and whether or not in your actual or constructive possession, custody or control. These shall also be construed to include every copy of a document where the copy contains any commentary or notation of any kinds that does not appear on the original or any other copy.
- 16. The words "link" and segment" reference the individually numbered/lettered portions of the preferred and alternative routes described in the Application.
- Words used in the plural shall also be taken to mean and include the singular. Words used in the singular shall also be taken to mean and include the plural.
- 18. The present tense shall be construed to include the past tense, and the past tense shall be construed to include the present tense.

- 19. "Each" shall be construed to include the word "every" and "every" shall be construed to include the word "each."
 - 20. The term "including" means "including, but not limited to."

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. As to any request for information to which you are unable to respond to in whole or in part for any reason, please state the grounds for your inability to respond. When you believe that a complete answer to a particular request for information or part thereof is not possible, please answer each request for information to the extent possible and furnish a statement explaining: (a) the reason for your inability to respond further; and (b) whatever information or knowledge you have concerning the non-responsive portion.
- 2. For each document or other requested information that you assert is privileged, please comply with the requirements of Rule 193.3 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure and P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.144.
- 3. For every document that no longer exists or cannot be located; identify the document; state how and when the document passed out of existence, or when it could no longer be located; and state the reason(s) for the disappearance; identify each person having knowledge about the disposition or loss of the document; and identify each document evidencing the existence or nonexistence of each document that cannot be located.
- 4. It is requested that all documents that might impact the subject matter of the Application be preserved and that any ongoing process of document destruction involving such documents cease.
- 5. Furnish all requested documents available to you and known by you, or in your possession, custody, or control or that of your agents and attorneys.
- 6. In those instances where you choose to answer a request for information by referring to a specific document or record, it is requested that the specification be in sufficient detail to permit the requestor to located and identify the record(s) and/or document(s) from which the answer is to be ascertained, as readily as can you.
- 7. In those instances when requested information or documents are stored only on software, computer based information, or other data compilations, you should either produce the raw data along with all codes and programs for translating it into usable form, or produce the

- information or documents in a finished usable form that includes all necessary glossaries, keys and indices for interpretation of the material.
- 8. Please respond to each request for information and indicate clearly the request for information to which each response is responsive. When requests for information contain subparts, indicate in your answer the subpart to which each particular part of your response is in response.
- 9. You are under a duty to supplement your responses to these requests for information that are incomplete or incorrect when made. Furthermore, you are under a duty to timely supplement and/or amend your responses if you receive, obtain, or generate information within the scope of any request for information between the time of the original responses and the conclusion of this proceeding.

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BFG Land & Cattle 1-1. Are you directly impacted by any of the Segments in STEC's Proposed Alternative "Route Q"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-2. If your answer to RFI 1-1 is "yes," please explain the details of the direct impact or impacts of STEC's Proposed Alternative "Route Q" on you.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-3. Are you directly impacted by any of the Segments in Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s Proposed Alternatives "Route Q Alt. 1", "Route Q Alt. 2", or "Route Q Alt. 3"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-4. If your answer to RFI 1-3 is "yes," please explain the details of the direct impact or impacts of Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s Proposed Alternatives "Route Q Alt. 1", "Route Q Alt. 2", or "Route Q Alt. 3" on you.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-5. Are you directly impacted by any of the Segments in STEC's Proposed Alternative "Route O"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-6. If your answer to RFI 1-5 is "yes," please explain the details of the direct impact or impacts of STEC's Proposed Alternative "Route O" on you.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-7. Would you support or "not oppose" STEC's Proposed Alternative "Route O"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-8. If you cannot agree to support or "not oppose" STEC's Proposed Alternative "Route O," please explain why.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-9. Are you directly impacted by any of the Segments in Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s Proposed Alternative "Route R"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-10. If your answer to RFI 1-9 is "yes," please explain the details of the direct impact or impacts of Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s Proposed Alternative "Route R" on you.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-11. Would you support or "not oppose" Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s Proposed Alternative "Route R"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-12. If you cannot agree to support or "not oppose" Crestonio Properties, L.P.'s Proposed Alternative "Route R," please explain why.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-13. Are you directly impacted by any of the Segments in Clay and Julie Edwards' Proposed Alternative Proposed Alternative "Route B-1"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle Ltd.'s First Request for Information to Highway 16 Ranch, LLC SOAH Docket No. 473-23-18893 PUC Docket No. 54936 Page 9 **BFG Land & Cattle 1-14.** If your answer to RFI 1-13 is "yes," please explain the details of the direct impact or impacts of Clay and Julie Edwards' Proposed Alternative "Route B-1" on you.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-15. Would you support or "not oppose" Clay and Julie Edwards' Proposed Alternative "Route B-1"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-16. If you cannot agree to support or "not oppose" Clay and Julie Edwards' Proposed Alternative "Route B-1," please explain why.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-17. Are you directly impacted by any of the Segments in Leo Quintanilla's Proposed Alternative "Route Z4"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-18. If your answer to RFI 1-17 is "yes," please explain the details of the direct impact or impacts of Leo Quintanilla's Proposed Alternative "Route Z4" on you.

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-19. Would you support or "not oppose" Leo Quintanilla's Proposed Alternative "Route Z4"?

Response:

BFG Land & Cattle 1-20. If you cannot agree to support or "not oppose" Leo Quintanilla's Proposed Alternative "Route Z4," please explain why.
Response: