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RELIABILITY PLAN FOR THE PERMIAN BASIN REGION UNDER PURA § 39.167

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SECOND ORDER APPROVING THE RELIABILITY PLAN FOR THE PERMIAN BASIN REGION

Section 39.167 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA)¹ required the Commission to direct ERCOT to develop a reliability plan under PURA § 39.166 for the Permian Basin region. ERCOT filed the Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study on July 25, 2024 (Permian Basin Reliability Plan) with an addendum on September 11, 2024 (Reliability Plan Addendum).² On October 7, 2024, the Commission issued the Order Approving the Reliability Plan for the Permian Basin Region, but reserved a decision on which voltage level should be approved for the transmission import paths until no later than May 1, 2025.³

The Commission approves the three 765-kilovolt (kV) import paths identified in Table 7.5 of the Permian Basin Reliability Plan. The Commission's prior authorization to prepare certificate of convenience and necessity applications for the 345-kV import paths identified in Table 1 of the Reliability Plan Addendum expires the date of this Order.

¹ Tex. Util. Code §§ 11.001-66.1016.

² ERCOT Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study Report (Jul. 25, 2024); ERCOT Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study – Addendum (Sept. 11, 2024).

³ Order Approving the Reliability Plan for the Permian Basin Region at 4 (October 7, 2024).

Signed at Austin, Texas the _____ day of _____ 2025.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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