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RELIABILITY PLAN FOR THE \$ PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION PERMIAN BASIN UNDER PURA \$39.167 \$ OF TEXAS

CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S RESPONSES TO COMMISSION STAFF QUESTIONS REGARDING ERCOT'S PERMIAN BASIN RELIABILITY PLAN STUDY

CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint Houston") appreciates the opportunity to provide responses to Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas's questions posed in Project No. 55718 regarding the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc.'s ("ERCOT") Permian Basin Reliability Plan Study (the "ERCOT Study"). CenterPoint Houston is presently focusing on addressing the impacts of Hurricane Beryl in its service territory and accelerating preparedness and resiliency efforts for the remaining storm season. Accordingly, it has not yet had the opportunity to carefully consider the ERCOT Study and its implications both for CenterPoint Houston and the ERCOT market as a whole. CenterPoint Houston does not have comments or responses to give at this time, however, it looks forward to participating in the workshop presently scheduled for August 22, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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