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APPLICATION OF DENTON	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC FOR	§	
INTERIM UPDATE OF WHOLESALE	§	OF TEXAS
TRANSMISSION RATES	8	

ORDER NO. 1 ESTABLISHING DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES

This Order addresses the January 10, 2024 application of Denton Municipal Electric for an interim update of its wholesale transmission rates. Denton seeks an interim revision to its previously approved transmission cost of service (TCOS) and wholesale transmission rates as required under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.192(h).

With the application, Denton filed the direct testimony Antonio Puente, Jr. and Jill A. Schuepbach, along with the interim TCOS filing package, schedules, and workpapers.

Denton's application compares the actual September 30, 2023 transmission net plant balances with the net plant balances established for the calculation of the interim rate approved in Docket No. 52715.¹ The difference between these two balances provides the basis for the change in transmission invested capital for Denton in this application.

Denton's requested decrease in rate base in this filing is \$984,150. The corresponding total annual wholesale transmission revenue requirement is \$25,720,605, with a wholesale transmission revenue increase of \$257,678. Based on this change in its revenue requirement, Denton also requests that the Commission approve an interim wholesale transmission rate of \$0.334693 per kilowatt.

Denton states that it will provide written notice in the form attached to the application as attachment 1 to all parties listed in the last complete review of Denton's TCOS, Docket No. 52715, and all distribution service providers listed in the last docket in which the Commission set the annual transmission service charges for the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., Docket No. 54507.²

Application of Denton Municipal Electric to Change Rates for Wholesale Transmission Service, Docket No. 52715, Order (Oct. 12, 2023).

² Commission Staff's Petition to Set 2023 Wholesale Transmission Service Charges for the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., Docket No. 54507, Order (May 11, 2023).

Under 16 TAC § 25.192(h)(4)(C), an application for interim update of transmission rates must be approved administratively within 60 days of the filing of the application provided that qualifying factors are met.

The following procedural schedule applies to this proceeding:

Deadline to intervene; deadline for intervenors to file	January 31, 2024
comments on the merits or request for hearing	
Deadline to file a motion to find the application materially	January 31, 2024
deficient	
Deadline for applicant's response to a motion to find the	February 7, 2024
application materially deficient	
Deadline for Commission Staff to request a hearing or to	February 14, 2024
file a recommendation on final disposition	,
Deadline for the applicant to request a hearing or respond	February 21, 2024
to intervenor comments and Commission Staff's	
recommendation on final disposition; or if no disputed	
issues exist, deadline for parties to file a joint motion to	
admit evidence and proposed findings of fact, including	
findings that address 16 TAC § 25.192(h), corresponding	
conclusions of law, and ordering paragraphs	
60-day administrative deadline	March 11, 2024 ³

Unless otherwise specified, an original and ten copies of documents relating to this proceeding must be filed with the Commission's filing clerk in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.71. In light of the Commission's Second Order entered in Docket No. 50664, this requirement will be considered satisfied if pleadings are filed with the Commission through the Interchange on the Commission's website until the Governor's disaster declaration is terminated.⁴

A copy of each document filed with the Commission must also be served on all parties as required by 16 TAC § 22.74. All filings can be accessed on the PUC Interchange webpage at, https://interchange.puc.texas.gov.

All parties are required to provide their current addresses, **e-mail addresses**, telephone and fax numbers, if available, to all other parties and to the Commission by filing and serving all parties

³ The 60-day deadline falls on Sunday, March 10, 2024. Under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.4(a), the deadline moves to the next day the Commission is open for business, which is Monday, March 11, 2024.

⁴ Issues Related the State of Disaster for Coronavirus Disease 2019, Docket No. 50664, Second Order Suspending Rules (Jul. 16, 2020).

with such information. Each party must provide the Commission and all parties with updated address, **e-mail address**, telephone, and fax information if such information changes. The **e-mail addresses**, telephone and fax numbers will be included on the service list for the convenience of the parties. Parties are responsible for updating their own service lists to reflect changed information and the addition of any other parties.

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 12th day of January 2024.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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