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APPLICATION OF AEP TEXAS INC.

§ BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE

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#### AEP TEXAS INC.'S STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF PROTECTIVE ORDER

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Certain documents provided in response to the Office of Public Utility Commission's (OPUC) Second Request for Information to AEP Texas, Inc., Question Nos. 2-4 and 2-11 are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 552.110 of the Public Information Act<sup>1</sup> and are subject to treatment as Confidential and/or Highly Sensitive materials.

The confidential material provided in response to OPUC's Question No. 2-4 contains non-public commercially sensitive information including internal financial analyses, compiled market data, and detailed wage and budget-related data that if released would provide an advantage to a competitor or bidder and could cause substantial competitive harm to AEP Texas.

The highly sensitive material provided in response to OPUC's Question No. 2-11 contains non-public commercially sensitive information including internal financial strategies and analyses that if released would provide an advantage to a competitor or bidder and could cause substantial competitive harm to AEP Texas.

Counsel for AEP Texas has reviewed the materials and responses provided sufficiently to state in good faith that they are exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act and merit the Confidential and/or Highly Sensitive designation given to them.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Tex. Gov. Code Ann. § 552,001-,353,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on May 17, 2024, a true and correct copy of this document was served on all parties of record by electronic service in accordance with the Commission's Second Order Suspending Rules issued on July 16, 2020 in Project No. 50664.

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