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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC	§	OF
FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS REQUEST NO.: PUC-RFI06-01

QUESTION:

Please provide the number of major weather events since CEHE's last rate case.

ANSWER:

The meaning of the term "major weather events" can vary. CenterPoint Houston's response and restoration associated with five such events, including Hurricane Laura, Winter Storm Uri, Hurricane Nicholas, January 2023 Tornado and June 2023 Storm, can be found in CenterPoint Houston's direct testimony as follows:

David Mercado, pages 51-57 (Bates 360-366). Deryl Tumlinson, pages 16-21 (Bates 458-463).

For additional weather information, see CenterPoint Houston's response to PUC RFI 03-03.

SPONSOR:

Deryl Tumlinson / David Mercado

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:

None

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS REQUEST NO.: PUC-RFI06-02

QUESTION:

Please provide in detail the growth that CEHE has experienced since the last rate case. Please provide the following information:

- a. Miles of three phase distribution at the time of the last rate case;
- b. Miles of new three phase distribution added since the last rate case;
- c. Miles of transmission lines (each voltage) at the time of the last rate case;
- d. Miles of new transmission lines (each voltage) added since the last rate case;
- e. Number of substations at the time of the last rate case:
- f. Number of new substations added since the last rate case:
- g. Number of transformer additions or expansions to existing substations due to load growth since the last rate case;
- h. Approximate number of meters installed (single phase and three phase) at the time of the last rate case; and.
- i. Approximate number of meters added (single phase and three phase) since the last rate case.

ANSWER:

a. Approximate miles of three phase distribution:

Department	2019	2023	Added (miles)
Overhead	13,712	14,507	795
MUG	1,385	1,564	179
Total	15,097	16,071	974

- b. See response to part a.
- c. As of December 31, 2018, the Company owned 3,835 circuit miles of overhead and underground transmission lines, including 268 circuit miles operated at 69 kV; 2,231 circuit miles operated at 138 kV; and 1,336 circuit miles operated at 345 kV.
- d. From December 31, 2018 until December 31, 2023, the Company reduced 134 circuit miles operated at 69 kV; added 126 circuit miles operated at 138 kV; and added 109 circuit miles operated at 345 kV.
- e. Per Company witness Martin Narendorf's direct testimony from the last rate case, as of December 31, 2018, there were 397 substations connected to the transmission system.
- f. As of December 31, 2023, the Company has added sixteen (16) substations, including ten (10) customer-owned substations, since December 31, 2018.
- g. From December 31, 2018 through December 31, 2023, CEHE has added 47 new substation power transformers, for a total increase of 3,550 MW of capacity.
- h. Meters installed:

Approximate Number of Meters Installed				
	1-phase meters	3-phase meters		
Jan- 2019	2,380,869	150,575		
Dec- 2023	2,652,325	164,210		
Meters Added	271,456	13,635		

i. See response to part h.

SPONSOR: Deryl Tumlinson / David Mercado

RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS:

None

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on June 3, 2024, this document was filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas in Docket No. 56211, and a true and correct copy of it was served by electronic mail on all parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules issued in Project No. 50664.