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

COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF THE PROPOSED NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION

On March 6, 2024, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (CenterPoint Houston) filed an application for authority to change rates. On March 7, 2024, Commission Counsel filed an Order of Referral, referring this docket to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH).

On March 7, 2024, the SOAH administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 1, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to provide a recommendation on the sufficiency of the notice of the Application by March 14, 2024. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. RECOMMENDATION ON THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE PROPOSED NOTICE

On March 6, 2024, CenterPoint Houston filed proposed notice in its application. Staff has reviewed CenterPoint Houston's method of notice and the proposed notice, attached to the application. Staff recommends that the proposed notice meets the requirements of 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.51. Therefore, Staff recommends that the proposed notice be found sufficient.

II. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Staff recommends that CenterPoint Houston's proposed notice be found sufficient. Staff respectfully requests entry of an order consistent with this pleading. Date: March 14, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document will be provided to all parties of record on March 14, 2024 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, filed in Project No. 50664.

/s/ David Berlin David Berlin