Filing Receipt

Filing Date - 2024-06-28 03:15:56 PM

Control Number - 56414

Item Number - 50
APPLICATION OF AEP TEXAS INC. TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE JOSLIN-TO-CARBIDE 138-KV CUT-IN TO CANGREJO SUBSTATION DOUBLE-CIRCUIT TRANSMISSION LINE IN CALHOUN COUNTY

SOAH ORDER NO. 5
GRANTING MOTION TO CANCEL HEARING AND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE, ADMIT EVIDENCE, AND REMAND TO THE COMMISSION

On May 7, 2024, AEP Texas Inc. (AEP Texas or Applicant) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to amend its certificate of convenience and necessity to construct the new Joslin-to-Carbide 138-kilovolt cut-in to Cangrejo substation double-circuit transmission line in Calhoun County. On May 9, 2024, the Commission referred this case to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) and requested the assignment of a SOAH ALJ to conduct a hearing and issue a proposal for decision, if necessary.
Following a prehearing conference held on May 21, 2024, which was attended by AEP Texas and Commission Staff, SOAH ALJs issued an order adopting a procedural schedule and setting the merits hearing for July 11, 2024.\textsuperscript{1} Subsequent SOAH orders granted motions to intervene filed by Joe Brett; Donald Hyatt; Mary Ryan; Hyatt Family Ltd.; Charles Brett; Brett Family Land Partners, LP; Rudolph Robert Willmann, Jr.; and Melanie M. Willmann Voigt (together with AEP Texas and Commission Staff, the "Parties").\textsuperscript{2}

On June 26, 2024, AEP Texas filed, on behalf of all Parties, a motion to cancel the hearing and procedural schedule, admit evidence, and remand this case to the Commission. The motion indicates that the Parties have entered into a Unanimous Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, which was attached to the motion and separately filed the same day, that resolves all issues in this matter. Having considered the motion, the ALJs find it has merit and the motion is GRANTED. Therefore, there following materials are ADMITTED into evidence:

1. AEP Texas’s Application and all attachments to the Application, filed May 7, 2024 (Interchange Item No. 2);
2. Direct Testimony of Brandon K. Cogan, filed May 7, 2024 (Interchange Item No. 3);
3. Direct Testimony of Kathleen Cooney, filed May 7, 2024 (Interchange Item No. 4);
4. Direct Testimony of Lorraine R. Timmerman, filed May 7, 2024 (Interchange Item No. 5);

\textsuperscript{1}SOAH Order No. 2.

\textsuperscript{2}SOAH Order Nos. 3, 4.
The hearing scheduled in this matter for July 11, 2024, is CANCELED and the procedural schedule is no longer applicable. Finally, this case is REMANDED to the Commission.

Signed June 28, 2024

Shelly M. Doggett
Presiding Administrative Law Judge

Holly Vandrovec
Co-Presiding Administrative Law Judge