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APPLICATION OF EL PASO	§	THE STATE OFFICE
ELECTRIC COMPANY TO ADJUST	§	OF
ITS ENERGY EFFICIENCY COST	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
RECOVERY FACTOR	§	

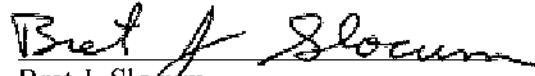
**STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE PROTECTIVE ORDER DESIGNATING
CONFIDENTIAL AND HIGHLY SENSITIVE PROTECTED MATERIALS**

The undersigned attorney for El Paso Electric Company (EPE) submits this statement under Section 4 of the Protective Order in this case regarding responses, or portions of responses, to the Staff 1st Request for Information, Questions 1-1 and 1-2. The material provided in this response is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Sections 552.101 and 552.110 of the Public Information Act as confidential or highly sensitive protected information. Attachments 1, 2, and 4 to EPE's response to Staff 1-1 and Attachment 1 to Staff 1-2 are Confidential or Highly Sensitive because they contain proprietary and competitively sensitive pricing information and negotiated terms for EPE's vendors whose public release would harm EPE and its vendors. Therefore, the material provided in this response is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Sections 552.101 and 552.110 of the Public Information Act. The undersigned counsel for EPE has reviewed the information described above sufficiently to state in good faith that the information is exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act and merits the confidential or highly sensitive materials designation given to it.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of this document was served by email on all parties of record in this proceeding on May 29, 2024.


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