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APPLICATION OF EL PASO ELECTRIC	§	BEFORE THE
COMPANY FOR AN ECONOMIC	§	
DEVELOPMENT RATE RIDER FOR A	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
NEW DATA CENTER TO BE LOCATED	§	
IN EL PASO TEXAS	§	OF TEXAS

VINTON STEEL, LLC’S
MOTION TO INTERVENE

NOW COMES, Vinton Steel, LLC (“Vinton Steel”) and files this Motion to Intervene in the above-referenced proceeding pursuant to the Public Utility Regulatory Act¹ and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures §§ 22.102, 22.103(b), and 22.104, and in support thereof would respectfully show as follows:

I.
IDENTITY OF INTERVENOR

The name and address of Movant is as follows:

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II.
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

The names, mailing address, telephone number and email addresses of Vinton Steel’s authorized representatives are as follows:

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Vinton Steel requests that the Public Utility Commission of Texas (the “Commission”) and all parties to this proceeding serve copies of all correspondence, pleadings, briefs, discovery,

¹ TEX. UTIL. CODE ANN. §§ 11.001 et seq. (“PURA”).

discovery responses, and other documents upon Vinton Steel's representatives at the address shown above.

III. BASIS FOR INTERVENTION

On August 1, 2024, El Paso Electric Company ("EPE") filed an application for an economic development rate rider for a new data center to be located in El Paso, Texas. Vinton Steel is an industrial user of electricity taking power from the EPE system and may be directly impacted by any determinations the Commission may make regarding EPE's application. Therefore, Vinton Steel has standing to intervene pursuant to P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.103(b) on the basis that it has a justiciable interest which may be adversely affected by the outcome of this proceeding. In recognition of its justiciable interest, Vinton Steel hereby requests leave to intervene as a party to this docket.

IV. TIMELINESS OF INTERVENTION

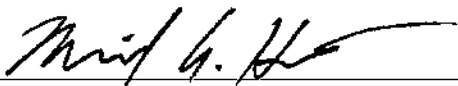
In Order No. 4, the Intervention Deadline was set as "30 days from publication or service of a copy of the application to the City of El Paso, whichever is later." According to the Proof of Notice filed by EPE in this docket on September 27, 2024, "EPE published the notice on September 12, 2024, in the El Paso Times and El Diario de El Paso." Thirty days from the date of publication – September 12, 2024 – is Saturday, October 12, 2024. Pursuant to the Commission's Procedural Rules (16 TAC §22.4(a)), when a designated period such as the 30 days from publication concludes on a day the commission is not open for business, the designated period shall run until the end of the next day on which the Commission is open for business. In this case, the next day the Commission is open for business after Saturday, October 12, 2024 is Monday, October 14, 2024. This intervention therefore, is timely filed.

V.
CONCLUSION AND PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Vinton Steel respectfully requests that this Motion to Intervene be granted, that Vinton Steel be granted full party status and be allowed to participate fully in the above-referenced proceeding and that it be granted such other and further relief as to which it may show itself justly entitled.

Respectfully Submitted,

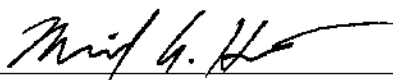
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 11th day of October, 2024 a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document is being served via electronic mail, facsimile, U.S. mail and/or hand delivery to all parties of record.


Miguel A. Huerta