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COMPLAINT OF	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
TEXAS CONSUMER ASSOCIATION	§	OF TEXAS
AGAINST CENTERPOINT ENERGY	ş	
HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC	ş	

SECOND RESPONSE TO CENTERPOINT ENERGY

FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

1-1. Provide the total number of members of the Texas Consumer Association as of the following dates: 1/1/2020, 1/1/2021, 1/1/2022, 1/1/2023, and 1/1/2024.

Please see confidential filing, TCA Second Response to CenterPoint Energy.

1-2. Describe the process for becoming a member of Texas Consumer Association.

The organization provides the ability to become a member through a variety of methods, including signing up as a supporter or member via the website, requesting membership through an email, signing a petition and agreeing to membership, and signing up in person at events hosted or attended by TCA.

Per a board decision over 25 years ago, the minimum dues required to become a member of the organization was set at \$0. This policy was implemented due to the nature of the organizations' advocacy focused on low-income residential consumers.

Included in this filing is the language approved by the organization and in the current bylaws that reflects the most recent policy on membership. Also attached are the Articles of Incorporation filed with the state of Texas in 1974 that states that TCA membership shall be "composed of all people who are citizens of the state of Texas and who qualify by payment of dues and otherwise as set forth in the by-laws." 1-3. Provide the name and electric service address of each member of the Texas Consumer Association who is a customer of CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC.

Per the TCA response filing made on 11/14/2024, this information will be filed in accordance with Order No. 4 in Docket 57061.

Respectfully submitted, /<u>s/ Sandra Haverlah</u> Sandra Haverlah President, Texas Consumer Association 8127 Mesa Drive, Ste. B206- 266 Austin, TX 78759 (512) 423-0913 sandie@texasconsumer.org 347617

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

TEXAS CONSUMER ASSOCIATION, INC.

We, the undersigned natural persons of the age of twenty-one years or more, at least two of whom are citizens of the State of Texas, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE ONE

The Name of the corporation is Texas Consumer Association, Inc. ANTICLE TWO

The corporation is a non-profit corporation.

ARTICLE THREE

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE FOUR

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are: To protect and advance the cause of those who are damaged by unfair and fraudulent business practices; to educate and enlighten the general public in matters concerning the purchase of goods and services at the marketplace; to maintain a constant vigil against all efforts being made to curtail the rights of consumers in this State; to disseminate information concerning the above purposes; and thereby to secure and promote justice and human welfare.

ARTICLE FIVE

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 1117 West 42nd Street, Austin, Texas, and the name of the initial registered agent at such address is Mr. Charles Scott.

ARTICLE SIX

The number of directors constituting the initial borad of directors of the corporation is three (3), and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Charles Scott	1117 West 42nd Street	Austin, Texas
James G. Boyle	906 Nueces Street	Austin, Texas
John Patton .	8 University Trailer Park	Austin, Texas

ARTICLE SEVEN

The name and address of each incorporator is:

Charles Scott	1117 West 42nd Street	Austin, Texas
James G. Boyle	906 Nueces Street	Austin, Texas
John Patton	8 University Trailer Park	Austin, Texas

ARTICLE EIGHT

The membership of the corporation shall be composed of all people who are citizens of the State of Texas and who qualify by payment of dues and otherwise as set forth in the by-laws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands, this 15th day of <u>August</u>, 1974.

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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TRAVIS I, <u>Mightureon</u>, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that on this <u>15th</u> day of <u>Mugust</u>, 1974, personally appeared before me, Charles Scott, James G. Boyle, and John Patton, who each by me being first duly sworn. severally declared that they are the persons who signed the foregoing document as incorporators, and that the statements therein contained are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office the day and year above written.

NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

BYLAWS OF TEXAS CONSUMER ASSOCIATION APPROVED 12/04/2007

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Texas nonprofit corporation shall be TEXAS CONSUMER ASSOCIATION, NC. ("TCA").

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purposes for which TCA is organized and shall operate are exclusively to benefit social welfare within the meaning of section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the purposes laid out in the Articles of Incorporation filed in the state of Texas August 15, 1974.

ARTICLE III OFFICES AND REGISTERED AGENT

3.01 Principal Office – The principal office shall be located in Texas. The Board of Directors may establish more than one office within Texas as it deems necessary.

3.02 Registered Office – TCA shall continuously maintain a registered office or address within Texas.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERS

4.01 Membership – TCA may have citizens of the state of Texas and locations outside of Texas be members or supporters of the organization.

4.02 Dues – The minimum required dues shall be set at \$0 for membership.

4.03 Member Classifications – There shall be no classes of membership.

ARTICLE V AUTHORITY

5.01 Board of Directors' Authority – The governance of TCA is and shall be entrusted to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall define the policies and monitor their implementation. In addition to the power and authority expressly conferred upon it by these Bylaws, the Board shall take all such actions as necessary for nonprofit organizations under applicable laws.