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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY TO IMPLEMENT A NET FUEL REFUND FOR OVERCOLLECTED FUEL COSTS

CORRECTED SOAH ORDER NO. 61 GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR INTERIM RATES

On November 15, 2024, Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) filed a joint motion for interim rates. The motion states that SPS's ordinary billing practices require it to obtain approval of its refund by November 20, 2024, to issue the refunds for the December 2024 billing cycle. Obtaining a final order of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) by November 20, 2024, is not possible, so the parties have agreed to interim rates so that refunds may be issued to customers in their December 2024 bills.

¹ This order was corrected to reflect the correct SOAH and PUC docket numbers and case style.

Specifically, the parties request approval of the interim rates reflected in SPS

witness Michael E. Mally's testimony, Attachments MEM-3 and MEM-5, pending

final action by the Commission, subject to any refund or surcharge to the extent that

the interim rates differ from the rates approved by in the Commission's final order.

The joint motion for interim relief is GRANTED.² The interim rates

authorized by this order are subject to refund or surcharge, as provided in 16 Texas

Administrative Code § 22.125(e). SPS SHALL file a clean copy of the interim tariff

within 10 days with the Commission's Central Records to be marked Approved and

kept in the Commission's tariff book. The tariff shall provide both the effective date

of the interim refund and a statement that the interim refund is effective until

superseded by a subsequent order in this docket.

Signed November 18, 2024

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Cassandra Quinn

Administrative Law Judge

² See 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.125(c) (authorizing interim relief upon agreement of all parties).

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