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**Patty Ducayet** State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Project No. 57236 - Texas Backup Power Package Program

To the Public Utility Commission and the Backup Power Package Advisory Committee:

I am the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, employed by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC). My office is independent within HHSC, and I do not represent the state agency. I represent the interests of people who live in nursing facilities and assisted living facilities.

In addition to March 28, 2025 comments submitted by a representative of my office, I recommend that PUCT allow eligible facilities to request and receive grant funding for the cost of a transfer switch, and electrical costs necessary for installation of the switch, for purposes of using a mobile generator at the facility site.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 512-438-4356 or patricia.ducayet@hhs.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

Patty Ducayet