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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC	§	
FOR A FINANCING ORDER FOR	§	OF TEXAS
SYSTEM RESTORATION COSTS	§	
ASSOCIATED WITH MAY 2024	§	
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN	§	
STORMS	§	

ORDER NO. 7 ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On March 28, 2025, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC filed a proposed procedural schedule.

The administrative law judge (ALJ) declines to adopt the procedural schedule proposed by CenterPoint because it proposes deadlines using a contingent statutory deadline. PURA¹ § 36.405(d) states:

An electric utility may file an application for a financing order prior to the expiration of the 150-day period provided for in Subsection (c). The commission shall issue a financing order not later than 90 days after the utility files its request for a financing order; provided, however, that the commission need not issue the financing order until it has determined the amount of system restoration costs eligible for recovery and securitization.²

As of the date of this Order, the Commission has not yet determined the amount of system restoration costs that are eligible for recovery and securitization.³ It will not be possible to finalize the terms of the financing order sought in the present case until the Commission has made a final determination as to the amount of system restoration costs for which the financing order is sought.

Therefore, the ALJ adopts the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for the parties to file a report on the status of this proceeding	April 4, 2025
If settlement has been reached, deadline to file the agreement, a joint motion to admit evidence, and a proposed order	April 9, 2025

¹ Public Utility Regulatory Act, Tex. Util Code §§ 11.001–66.016.

² Emphasis added.

³ Application of CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC for Determination of System Restoration Costs, Docket No. 57271 (pending).

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 1st day of April 2025.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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