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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC	§	OF
TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO	§	
REBUILD A 138-KV TRANSMISSION	§	
LINE IN GALVESTON COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S MOTION TO CANCEL THE HEARING ON ROUTE ADEQUACY

On April 30, 2025, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (CenterPoint) filed an application to amend its certificate of convenience and necessity to rebuild a 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Galveston County.

On May 27, 2025, Hijo de Playa, LLC (Hijo de Playa) requested a hearing on route adequacy. On June 6, 2025, the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) administrative law judge (ALJ) filed SOAH Order No. 5, establishing a deadline of June 16, 2025, for a hearing on route adequacy, subject to cancellation by the ALJ if any future developments warrant.²

I. MOTION TO CANCEL THE HEARING ON ROUTE ADEQUACY

As of the date of this filing, two intervenors, Charles D. Litton and Hijo de Playa, have filed a statement of position on route adequacy. Neither of those statement of positions challenge route adequacy.³ In fact, no party in this proceeding has presented any evidence that challenges route adequacy.

Charles D. Litton's statement of position states that he "does not opposed the adequacy of CenterPoint Energy's application at this time." Hijo de Playa's statement of position opposes CenterPoint's proposed transmission line project, but does not challenge the adequacy or the

Opposition of Hijo de Playa, LLC to Certain Dates in Procedural Schedule Submitted by CenterPoint Energy and Request for Route Adequacy Hearing at 2 (May 27, 2025).

² Docket No. 57957, SOAH Order No. 5 at 3 (June 6, 2025).

³ See Position Statement of Hijo De Playa, LLC Opposition to CenterPoint Energy Utility Line Rebuild Project and Request for Route Adequacy Hearing (June 9, 2025); Statement of Position for Charles D. Litton (June 10, 2025).

⁴ Statement of Position for Charles D. Litton at 1 (June 10, 2025).

number of routes that CenterPoint proposes in its application.⁵ Instead, the statement of position raises arguments related to the merits of CenterPoint's application and does not directly challenge route adequacy.

II. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, because no party challenges route adequacy, Commission Staff respectfully requests that the SOAH ALJ issue an order canceling the hearing on route adequacy scheduled for June 16, 2025.

Dated: June 12, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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⁵ See Position Statement of Hijo De Playa, LLC Opposition to CenterPoint Energy Utility Line Rebuild Project and Request for Route Adequacy Hearing (June 9, 2025).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on June 12, 2025 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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