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## Via Hand Delivery

Ms. Laura Zebehazy Wildlife Habitat Assessment Program Wildlife Division Texas Parks and Wildlife Department 4200 Smith School Road Austin, Texas 78744-3291

> RE: Joint Application of the City of San Antonio, Acting By and Through City Public Service Board (CPS Energy) and South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (STEC) to Amend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed Howard Road to San Miguel 345 kV Transmission Line Project in Bexar and Atascosa Counties, Texas

## PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS (PUC) DOCKET NO. 57115

Dear Ms. Zebehazy:

On Friday, October 4, 2024, the City of San Antonio, acting by and through City Public Service Board (CPS Energy), and South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (STEC) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) the above-referenced application to amend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct the Howard Road to San Miguel 345 kV Transmission Line Project in Bexar and Atascosa Counties, Texas.

As you are aware, the Commission's CCN application requires that CPS Energy and STEC provide for review and comment a copy of the project environmental assessment (EA) to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) within seven days after the application is filed. Accordingly, enclosed with this letter is a copy of the EA prepared for the referenced project as well as a complete copy of CPS Energy's and STEC's CCN application filed at the Commission. The CCN application also requires that a copy of this transmittal letter be included with the project application. You will find a copy of this letter included as Attachment 11 to the filed Application.

Under the traditional CCN process, TPWD typically provides the Commission Staff with comments about the application. CPS Energy and STEC would also appreciate receiving a copy of any comments TPWD may choose to provide to Commission Staff. You may send those comments to Antonio DeMendonca (CPS Energy) at 500 McCullough Ave., San Antonio, Texas 78215 or Arthur (Holly) Gifford (STEC) at P.O. Box 119, Nursery, Texas 77976. Of course, CPS Energy and STEC reserve the right to inquire into the basis of any comments or

recommendations TPWD may choose to submit in this case, but I am certain the appropriate arrangements can be made for that inquiry if the necessity arises.

If you have any questions about the EA, please feel free to contact Antonio DeMendonca (CPS Energy) at 210-353-5318, Arthur (Holly) Gifford (STEC) at 361-485-6134 or me at (512) 236-2310.

Sincerely,

Kirk D. Rasmussen

Antonio DeMendonca, CPS Energy Cc:

Arthur (Holly) Gifford, STEC

Russell Hooten, TPWD