

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**OVERSIGHT AND SAFETY DIVISION**

**GAS UTILITIES  
INFORMATION BULLETIN**

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**SECTION 1****NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED**

**DOCKET NO.** -- **10678**  
**CAPTION** -- Rate Case Expenses Severed From GUD No. 10669, Statement of Intent of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas, to Increase Rates in the South Texas Division.  
**DATE FILED** -- 01/03/2018  
**FILED BY** -- Commission's Own Motion  
**EXAMINER** -- John Dodson  
**TECHNICAL** -- Rose Ruiz

**DOCKET NO.** -- **10679**  
**CAPTION** -- Statement of Intent to Increase Gas Utility Rates Within the Unincorporated Areas Served by SiEnergy, LP in Central and South Texas.  
**DATE FILED** -- 01/05/2018  
**FILED BY** -- Ann M. Coffin  
**EXAMINER** -- John Dodson  
**TECHNICAL** -- James Currier

**DOCKET NO.** -- **10680**  
**CAPTION** -- Appeal filed by Centerpoint Energy Entex from the Actions of the Cities of Mathis and Yorktown for the Incorporated Areas of the South Texas Division.  
**DATE FILED** -- 01/09/2018  
**FILED BY** -- Sam Chang  
**EXAMINER** -- John Dodson  
**TECHNICAL** -- Rose Ruiz

**DOCKET NO.** -- **10681**  
**CAPTION** -- Application filed by ETC Texas Pipeline, Ltd. (ETC TX) to Report Acquired Assets from ETC Field Services LLC.  
**DATE FILED** -- 01/15/2018  
**FILED BY** -- Claire Jimenez  
**EXAMINER** -- Sarah Montoya-Foglesong  
**TECHNICAL** --

**SECTION 2****APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

[Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2017](#)

**SECTION 3****STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

None at this time.

**SECTION 4****NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None at this time.

**SECTION 5****ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

None at this time.

**SECTION 6****MISCELLANEOUS**

**Kari French, OVERSIGHT AND SAFETY DIRECTOR**

**1. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR****A. Publications**

1. Texas Utilities Code Titles 3 and 4. Now available at the State of Texas' website at:

<http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>

Special Rules of Practice and Procedure and Substantive Rules. Now available via the Commission's website at:

[http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7)

2. Annual Report for Fiscal Year – Now available via the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utility-annual-statistical-reports/>

3. Six MCF Monthly Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Twenty-five Texas Cities - Now available via the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/six-mcf-report/>

**B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission of Texas that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2018 is 0.91%. All gas utilities should use 0.42% for the calendar year 2017 and 0.11% for calendar year 2016.

<https://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf>

**2. UTILITY AUDIT SECTION****A. Maintains headquarters and three district offices as follows:**

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**B. Gas Utility Tax, Annual Reports and Audit Reports**

1. Questions relating to gas utility tax, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
2. Questions relating to annual reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
3. Inquiries relating to audit reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/forms/>

**C. Available Information**

Gas Utility Annual Reports - Now available via Commission's website at:

[https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=\\_esd&\\_action=\\_keysearch&profile=13](https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?_module=_esd&_action=_keysearch&profile=13)

Information relating to any of the above, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Department, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of seven to ten business days for completion of requests. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022, or Fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

**3. MARKET OVERSIGHT**

- A.** Maintains the following office to assist you:

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**B. Gas Utilities Information Bulletin**

Published on the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utilities-information-bulletins/>

**C. Proposals For Decision**

Published on the Commission's web site at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/>

- D. Tariff Filings**  
Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Claudia Godoy, Andrea Matamoros, Virgie Frausto, or Sheila Mendoza at (512) 463-7167.
- E. Curtailments**  
Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7167 or by email at [naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov). Curtailment reports made Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made during hours other than those specified above and holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.
- F. Compliance Filings**  
Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Christina Poole at (512) 463-7167 or by email at [GUD\\_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GUD_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov).
- G. Complaints and Inquiries**  
All complaints and inquiries relating to the gas utility industry should be directed to the Market Oversight Section at (512) 463-7164 or by email at [GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov).
- H. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations:**  
<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/general-counsel/rules/>

#### **4. HEARINGS AND LEGAL ANALYSIS**

- A. Miscellaneous**  
Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the General Counsel Division at (512) 463-7149.
- B. Status of Pending Cases**  
The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the General Counsel Division at (512) 463-7149.