

AUSTIN ENERGY'S TARIFF PACKAGE: § BEFORE THE CITY OF AUSTIN
UPDATE OF THE 2009 COST OF § IMPARTIAL HEARING EXAMINER
SERVICE STUDY AND PROPOSAL TO §
CHANGE BASE ELECTRIC RATES §

ST. DAVID'S HEALTHCARE PARTNERSHIP L.P., LLP'S MOTION TO INTERVENE

This Motion to Intervene ("Motion") is being filed by St. David's HealthCare Partnership, L.P., LLP (the "Party"). The Party is an Austin Energy customer and is entitled to be an intervenor in this proceeding.

The party believes that the Impartial Hearing Examiner should address the following issues:

- (1) Overall rate differential between Austin Energy rates and other comparable Texas Municipally Owned Utilities' rates;
- (2) Percentage increase of electric rates for commercial users, such as hospitals, compared to the affordability goal of no greater than 2 percent increase in rates per year;
- (3) Consideration of the more than \$80 million annually in uncompensated care that St. David's HealthCare provides to the community, taxes paid by St. David's HealthCare and philanthropic endeavors funded by St. David's HealthCare which are awarded by and through the St. David's Foundation;
- (4) Consideration that St. David's HealthCare hospitals must remain open 365 days a year, 24 hours a day even and especially during natural disasters - with limited ability to shift load to mid- and off-peak periods – and must provide care to all who present at our emergency departments, irrespective of the patients' ability to pay; and

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- (5) As a result of the above factors, consideration of appropriate adjustments to the allocation of costs among customer groups.

This Party is representing other Austin Energy customers (each with its own account number), including the following:

St. David's North Austin Medical Center – (12221 N MoPac Expy NB);
St. David's South Austin Medical Center – (901 W Ben White Blvd EB);
St. David's Hospital – (919 E 32nd St A);
Heart Hospital – (3801 N Lamar Blvd);
St. David's Rehabilitation/Professional Bldg – (1025 E 32nd St);
Park St. David's – (900 E 30th St); and
Bailey Square – (1100 W 33rd St).

All documents related to this proceeding should be emailed to the Party at the following email addresses: charles.girard@hcahealthcare.com and mwhellan@gdhm.com.

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