

AUSTIN ENERGY 2016 RATE REVIEW

AUSTIN ENERGY'S TARIFF PACKAGE UPDATE OF THE 2009 COST OF SERVICE STUDY AND PROPOSAL TO CHANGE BASE ELECTRIC RATES

BEFORE THE CITY OF AUSTIN
IMPARTIAL HEARINGS EXAMINER

Comments on Decisions Made on 3/11/16

Upon receiving versions of the IHE's decisions granting Motion's to Intervene and Statement of Issues, I register the following comments and protests.

1. I responded to the decision granting intervention status in protest. The decision was written in such a way as to confuse me. I was under the impression that this was not an update of newly filed intervenors, but a final list of all intervenors, and that I had been excluded without explanation. I apologize for my misinterpretation and any distractions this has caused the Judge and parties involved.

2. I am protesting the Judge's decision to exclude the prudence of any invested capital that was used and useful prior to the end of the City of Austin's 2009 Fiscal Year.

It is my intention to bring issues that have not been evaluated in past rate cases, including the ones before 2009. High on this list is the give-away of tangible property by Austin Energy to the City of Austin General Fund without compensation to the utility's ratepayers.

I do not believe that these transfers were evaluated for prudence in previous rate cases, and therefore the costs of these give-aways is still relevant.

I ask for reconsideration of this issue, as well as reconsideration for other assets and investments that have not previously been evaluated for prudence in past rate cases.

Sincerely,

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