## UPDATE ABOUT COUNCIL DELIBERATION PROCESS FOR RATE REVIEW PROCEEDING

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Now that the Impartial Hearing Examiner ("IHE") has filed the July 15, 2016 IHE Report (the "Report") and parties have filed their exceptions and replies to same, the rate review proceeding moves into the deliberative phase before the Austin City Council ("Council"). As part of this phase, the Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee ("AEUOC" or the "Committee"), which consists of all members of Council, will hold three work sessions. At the conclusion of the third work session, the AEUOC will make a recommendation for a rates ordinance. AE staff ("Staff") will then draft a rates ordinance based on that recommendation. Finally, Council will hold two public hearings to receive public comment on and ultimately to approve the rates ordinance.

According to administrative direction received from the City Council and the City Manager, the current schedule for these meetings is:

- (1) Monday, August 8, 2016, starting at 9:00 AM: AEUOC Meeting. During this meeting, the IHE will present the Report, Staff will respond, and the Committee will ask questions of the IHE and Staff.
- (2) Monday, August 15, 2016, starting at 9:00 AM: AEUOC Meeting. During this meeting, each intervenor will be allotted up to 10 minutes to brief the Committee about the intervenor's position on the Report. The Committee may then ask questions

of the intervenors.

(3) Monday, August 22, 2016, starting at 9:00 AM: AEUOC Meeting. During this

meeting, the AEUOC will receive and review the Electric Utility Commission's

recommendation about the Report. The Committee will then deliberate and will

provide sufficient direction to enable Staff to draft a rate ordinance. It is anticipated

that the IHE, the Independent Consumer Advocate, Staff, and other intervenors will

be available at this Committee meeting to serve as resources for the Committee

during its deliberations.

(4) Thursday, August 25, 2016, starting at 4:00 PM: Council Public Hearing. During this

Council meeting, Staff will lay out the rates ordinance drafted pursuant to the

AEUOC recommendation. In accordance with normal Council rules, Council will

receive general public comment on the proposed ordinance. It is anticipated that at

the conclusion of the public comment period and Council deliberations, Council will

vote on the rates ordinance on first and second reading. Additionally, Council may

direct Staff to revise the rates ordinance.

(5) Monday, August 29, 2016, starting at 1:00 PM: Council Public Hearing. If

necessary, Staff will present the revised rates ordinance. Council will receive

additional public comment, and conduct any additional necessary deliberations. At

the conclusion of the meeting, Council will vote on the rates ordinance on third

reading.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of this pleading has been served on all Parties and the Impartial Hearing Examiner, in accordance with the Procedural Rules, on the 1st day of August, 2016.

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