

**RULE NO: R161-15.01**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE**

**POSTING DATE: January 6, 2015**

The Director of the Department of Austin Energy proposes to adopt the following rule after February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Comments on the proposed rule are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Daniel McReynolds; 4411-B Meinardus Dr. Austin, TX 78704, office 211, (512) 505-7868. To be considered, comments must be submitted before February 7<sup>th</sup> 2015, the 32nd day after the date this notice is posted. A summary of the written comments received will be included in the notice of rule adoption that must be posted for the rule to become effective.

An affordability impact statement regarding the proposed rule has been obtained and is available for inspection or copying at the address noted in the preceding paragraph.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED RULE**

A rule proposed in this notice may not become effective before the effective date established by a separate notice of rule adoption. A notice of rule adoption may not be posted before February 7<sup>th</sup> 2015 (the 32nd day after the date of this notice) or not after April 6, 2015 (the 90th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before April 6, 2015, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule.

**TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE**

A copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following locations. Copies may be purchased at the locations at a cost of ten cents per page:

Department of Austin Energy, located at 4411-B Meinardus Dr. Austin, TX 78704, office 211, (512) 505-7868.

**BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE**

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#### **AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE**

The authority and procedure for adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is provided in Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The authority to regulate construction requirements is established in Title 15, Utility Regulations and Section 15-9 of the City Code, and Ordinance No. 20140908-003 governing the fees, fines, and other charges authorized to be charged by the City.

**CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule R161-15.01, the City Attorney certifies the City Attorney has reviewed the rule and finds that adoption of the rule is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

**REVIEW AND APPROVED**

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Larry Weis, Director  
Electric Utility Department

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Karen M. Kennard  
City Attorney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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