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The ALJ adopts the following procedural schedule:

Event	Deadline
Intervention deadline	May 26, 2020 ¹
Deadline for intervenors to file a request for a hearing on the merits or, if no hearing is requested, to file comments	June 1, 2020
Deadline for Commission Staff to request a hearing on the merits; deadline for Commission Staff to file recommendation on final disposition	June 8, 2020
Deadline for Entergy to request a hearing or to respond to intervenor comments and Commission Staff's request for a hearing; or, deadline for parties to file a joint proposed order, including findings of fact, conclusions of law, and ordering paragraphs,	June 15, 2020

Signed at Austin, Texas the 1st day of May 2020.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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¹ Commission Staff requested an intervention deadline of May 25, 2020, however, this date falls on Memorial Day, when the Commission is closed. The deadline moves to the next day the commission is open for business, Tuesday, May 26, 2020.