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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Annual Report Required by 16 Texas Admin. Code § 25.97(f)



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AFFECTED ENTITY: AEP Texas Inc.

General Information

Pursuant to 16 Texas Admin. Code § 25.97(f)(1), not later than May 1 of each year, each affected entity must submit this report for the preceding calendar year. The first report must be submitted not later than May 1, 2020.

Instructions

Answer all questions, fill-in all blanks, and have the report notarized in the affidavit. If you check no in part 1.a, leave parts 1.b-d blank.

Violations resulting from, and incidents, fatalities, or injuries attributable to a violation resulting from, a natural disaster, weather event, or man-made act or force outside of an affected entity's control are not required to be reported.

Affidavit

A representative of the affected entity must swear to and affirm the truthfulness, correctness, and completeness of the information provided by attaching a signed and notarized copy of the Affidavit provided with this form.

Filing Instructions

Submit four copies (an original and three copies) of the completed form and signed and notarized Affidavit to:

Central Records Filing Clerk
Public Utility Commission of Texas
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, Texas 78711-3326
Telephone: (512) 936-7180

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1. This part applies only to an affected entity that owns or operates overhead transmission facilities greater than 60 kilovolts.

a) Does this part 1 apply to you? Yes ☒ No ☐

b) Provide the number of identified occurrences of noncompliance with Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) § 38.004 regarding vertical clearance requirements of the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) for overhead transmission facilities.

Six occurrences have been identified by AEP Texas. All of the occurrences are on the Carver – Maxwell 138 kV line, which is approximately 56 miles in length. The line is located in a remote area of west Texas and the violations do not represent a risk to the public. AEP Texas is confident that the line was designed according to NESC when it was constructed in the late 60s. AEP Texas believes the violations are the result of the greater accuracy of modern survey and design tools. The violations were recently identified as part of the planning process for a rebuild of the line, which is currently anticipated to begin in 2022. None of the occurrences represent a risk to the public requiring immediate remediation per the NESC.

c) Do you have actual knowledge that any portion of your transmission system is not in compliance with PURA § 38.004 regarding vertical clearance requirements of the NESC for overhead transmission facilities?

No, AEP Texas does not have any actual knowledge that any portion of its transmission system is not in compliance with PURA § 38.004 regarding vertical clearance requirements except for what has been noted above in response to 1. b).

d) Do you have actual knowledge of any violations of easement agreements with the United States Army Corps of Engineers relating to PURA § 38.004 regarding vertical clearance requirements of the NESC for overhead transmission facilities?

No, AEP Texas has no actual knowledge of any violations of easement agreements with the United States Army Corps of Engineers relating to PURA § 38.004 regarding vertical clearance requirements of the NESC for overhead transmission facilities.

2. This part applies to an affected entity that owns or operates overhead transmission facilities greater than 60 kilovolts or distribution facilities greater than 1 kilovolt.

- a) Provide the number of fatalities or injuries of individuals other than employees, contractors, or other persons qualified to work in proximity to overhead high voltage lines involving transmission or distribution assets related to noncompliance with the requirements of PURA § 38.004.

During the reporting period, AEP Texas had no fatalities or injuries of individuals other than employees, contractors, or other persons qualified to work in proximity to overhead high voltage lines involving transmission or distribution assets related to noncompliance with the requirements of PURA § 38.004.

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b) Provide a description of corrective actions taken or planned to prevent the reoccurrence of fatalities or injuries described in subpart a), immediately above.

Not applicable. See response to 2. a).

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AFFIDAVIT

I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this report or am relying on people with personal knowledge, that I am competent to testify to them, and that I have the authority to submit this report on behalf of the affected entity. I further swear or affirm that all statements made in this report are true, correct, and complete.

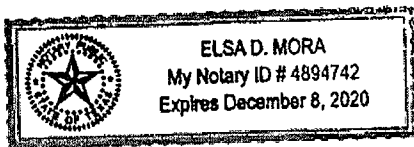
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Signature

Judith E. Talavera
Printed Name

President & COO - Texas
Job Title

AEP Texas Inc.
Name of Affected Entity

Sworn and subscribed before me this 30 day of April, 2020.
Month Year



Elsa Mora
Notary Public in and For the State of Texas

My commission expires on December 8, 2020.