

JOINT APPLICATION OF AEP TEXAS INC. AND THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE CITY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD TO AMEND THEIR CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE HOWARD TO SOLSTICE 765-KV SINGLE-CIRCUIT TRANSMISSION LINE IN ATASCOSA, BANDERA, BEXAR, CROCKETT, EDWARDS, KERR, KINNEY, MEDINA, PECOS, REAL, SUTTON, TERRELL, UVALDE, AND VAL VERDE COUNTIES

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS (PUC) DOCKET NO. 59336

AEP Texas Inc. (AEP Texas) and the City of San Antonio, acting by and through City Public Service Board (CPS Energy), give notice that they are requesting approval from the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to amend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct the Howard to Solstice 765-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Southwest Texas.

AEP Texas and CPS Energy are jointly proposing to construct a new single-circuit 765-kV transmission line in Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Crockett, Edwards, Kerr, Kinney, Medina, Pecos, Real, Sutton, Terrell, Uvalde, and Val Verde Counties, Texas (Project). The Project will begin in the vicinity of the existing CPS Energy Howard 345-kV Station, which is located in the southwest San Antonio area, approximately two miles north of the intersection of State Highway (SH) 1604 and SH 16 in Bexar County, and which will be expanded for 765-kV operation. The new 765-kV transmission line will extend west-northwest until it reaches the vicinity of the existing AEP Texas Solstice 345-kV Station, which is located approximately 28 miles west of the City of Fort Stockton along Interstate 10 in Pecos County, and which will be expanded for 765-kV operation. The Project includes telecommunication facilities (including necessary fiber repeater huts) that are critical to the reliable operation of the proposed transmission facilities.

On March 2, 2026, AEP Texas and CPS Energy filed an application with the PUC in Docket No. 59336 - *Joint Application of AEP Texas Inc. and the City of San Antonio, acting by and through the City Public Service Board to Amend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity for the Howard to Solstice 765-kV Single-Circuit Transmission Line in Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Crockett, Edwards, Kerr, Kinney, Medina, Pecos, Real, Sutton, Terrell, Uvalde, and Val Verde Counties* (Application).

AEP Texas and CPS Energy have proposed 77 alternative transmission line route options in their Application for the PUC's consideration. The 77 alternative transmission route options reflect various combinations of the 268 route segments (links) identified in the Application. As indicated below, the Commission may approve any combination of the route segments even if the combination is not one of the 77 alternative transmission routes proposed in the Application. The alternative route options for this Project range from approximately 335 miles to 393 miles in length. The estimated cost range for the project is approximately \$2,750 million to \$3,099 million (including costs for station work at CPS Energy's Howard Station and AEP Texas' Solstice Station. AEP Texas and CPS Energy plan to construct the transmission line primarily on lattice

steel towers including guyed and self-supporting lattice structures within a typical right-of-way approximately 200 feet wide.

Persons with questions about the transmission line may contact AEP Texas' Regulatory Case Manager Chad Tomanec at (361) 881-5703 or CPS Energy's Project Manager Antonio DeMendonca at (210) 353-6673. You can also access project information at the following AEP Texas and CPS Energy websites:

- <https://aeptransmission.com/Texas/howard-solstice>
- <https://www.cpsenergy.com/content/corporate/en/about-us/new-infrastructure/howard-solstice-transmission.html>

A detailed routing map may be reviewed at the following locations:

- CPS Energy, 500 McCullough, San Antonio, Texas 78215
- Lytle Public Library, 19325 W FM 2790 S, Lytle, Texas 78052
- Uvalde City Hall, 101 E. Main Street, Uvalde, Texas 78801
- Val Verde County Library, 300 Spring St, Del Rio, Texas 78840
- Fort Stockton Public Library, 500 N Water St, Fort Stockton, Texas 79735

All routes and route segments included in this notice are available for selection and approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Persons who are affected by the proposed transmission line and wish to intervene in the docket or comment on the applicant's Application should mail the original and 10 copies of their requests to intervene or their comments to:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P. O. Box 13326
Austin, Texas 78711-3326

Persons who wish to intervene in the docket must also mail a copy of their request for intervention to all parties in the docket and all persons that have pending motions to intervene, at or before the time the request for intervention is mailed to the PUC.

Persons who are affected by the proposed transmission line and wish to intervene in the docket or comment on the Application may also do so by filing electronically and you will be required to serve the request on other parties by email. Therefore, please include your own email address on the intervention form. Instructions for electronic filing via the "PUC Filer" on the Commission's website can be found here: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>. Instructions for using the PUC Filer are available at https://ftp.puc.texas.gov/public/puct-info/industry/filings/E-Filing_Instructions.pdf. Once you obtain a tracking sheet associated with your filing from the PUC Filer, you may email the tracking sheet and the document you wish to file to: centralrecords@puc.texas.gov. For assistance

with your electronic filing, please contact the Commission's Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange at: <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>.

The only way to fully participate in the PUC's decision on where to locate the transmission line is to intervene in the docket. It is important for an affected person to intervene because the utility is not obligated to keep affected persons informed of the PUC's proceedings and cannot predict which route may or may not be approved by the PUC.

The deadline for intervention in the docket is April 01, 2026, and the PUC should receive a filing from anyone requesting intervention by that date.

The PUC has a brochure titled "Landowners and Transmission Line Cases at the PUC." Copies of the brochure are available from AEP Texas at (361) 881-5703 or CPS Energy at 210-353-6673 or may be downloaded from the PUC's website at www.puc.state.tx.us. To obtain additional information about this docket, you may contact the PUC's Customer Assistance Hotline at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing-and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the PUC's Customer Assistance Hotline at (512) 936-7136 or toll free at (800) 735-2989.

In addition to the intervention deadline, other important deadlines may already exist that affect your participation in this docket. You should review the orders and other filings already made in the docket.

Project Segment Descriptions

In their CCN application for this project, AEP Texas and CPS Energy have presented 77 alternative route options comprised of 268 segments for consideration by the PUC. The following table lists the segment combinations that make up AEP Texas and CPS Energy's 77 alternative route options and the length of each alternative route option in miles. All routes and segments are available for selection and approval by the PUC.