Public Utility Commission of Texas

(6)

September 9, 1980

George M. Cowden

H. M. Rollins

Garrett Morris

To All Parties of Record:

Re: Docket No. 3250 -- Application of Texas Electric Service Company for a Rate Increase

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find copies of my Examiner's Report in Docket No. 3250. This docket will be presented to the Commission at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 30, 1980. Exceptions, if any, must be filed with the Commission and served on all parties on or before Friday, September 19. Replies thereto must be similarly filed on or before Friday, September 26. Since all parties indicated their desire to present oral argument at the hearing, I have taken the liberty of scheduling this docket for oral argument on September 30.

As you will notice in the Report, I have recommended adoption of the Staff's price elasticity adjustments. The effects of these adjustments are spread through my cost of service and cost allocations. However, the precise use of the Staff's price elasticity adjustments is not correct since those adjustments are based upon the Staff's recommended cost of service and not mine.

To correct this problem, by means of this letter I am requesting the company to rerun its computer models using my cost of service and cost allocations using the appropriate methodologies set forth in the Report. It would be helpful to the Commissioners to know the exact cost of service, revenue deficiency, and relative rates of return of the customer classes. This data should be filed, with copies to all parties, on September 19, if possible.

If any party has any questions regarding the Report or the precedures to be followed herein, please call on me.

Sincerely,

Mark H. Zeppa

Hearings Examiner

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