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**SECTION 1: NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED**

**DOCKET NO.:** 10925  
**CAPTION** Appeal of CenterPoint Energy Corp., D/B/A CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas from the Actions of the Cities of the Beaumont/East Texas Division

**DATE FILED --** 12/13/2019  
**FILED BY --** Sam Chang  
**EXAMINER --** Dee Marlo Chico  
**TECHNICAL --** Rose Ruiz

**DOCKET NO.:** 10926  
**CAPTION** Appeal of CenterPoint Energy Corp., D/B/A CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas from the Actions of the Cities of Bloomburg, Fruitvale, Grand Saline, Rose Hill Acres and Van

**DATE FILED --** 12/18/2019  
**FILED BY --** Sam Chang  
**EXAMINER --** Dee Marlo Chico  
**TECHNICAL --** James Currier

**DOCKET NO.:** 10927  
**CAPTION** Appeal of CenterPoint Energy Corp., D/B/A CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas from the Actions of the Cities of Jefferson, Rusk, Tatum, Waskom, Linden, and Winfield.

**DATE FILED --** 12/19/2019  
**FILED BY --** Sam Chang  
**EXAMINER --** Dee Marlo Chico  
**TECHNICAL --** James Currier

**DOCKET NO.:** 10928  
**CAPTION** Statement of Intent of Texas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. (TGS), to Increase Gas Utility Rates in the Central Texas Service Area (NTSA) and Gulf Coast Service Area (GCSA)

**DATE FILED --** 12/20/2019  
**FILED BY --** Kate Norman  
**EXAMINER --** Dee Marlo Chico  
**TECHNICAL --** Rose Ruiz

**DOCKET NO.:** 10929  
**CAPTION** Inquiry into the Failure of Church & Swan Properties to Comply with Safety Standards.

**DATE FILED --** 12/30/2019  
**FILED BY --** Commission's Own Motion  
**EXAMINER --**  
**TECHNICAL --**

**DOCKET NO.:** 10930  
**CAPTION** Inquiry into the Failure of Shoreham Pipeline Company to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED --** 12/30/2019  
**FILED BY --** Commission's Own Motion  
**EXAMINER --**  
**TECHNICAL --**

**DOCKET NO.:** 10931  
**CAPTION** Inquiry into the Failure of Torrent Oil LLC to Comply with Safety Standards.  
**DATE FILED --** 12/30/2019  
**FILED BY --** Commission's Own Motion  
**EXAMINER --**  
**TECHNICAL --**

**SECTION 2: APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

[Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2019](#)

None currently.

**SECTION 3: STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

None currently.

**SECTION 4: NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None currently.

**SECTION 5: ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

None currently.

**SECTION 6: MISCELLANEOUS**

**A. Gas Services Department Publications and Statistics**

1. Gas Utilities Information Bulletins available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utilities-information-bulletins/>.
2. Rate Review Handbook available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/media/41964/rate-review-handbook-2017.pdf>.
3. Gas Utilities Annual Statistics available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/2017-gas-utility-annual-statistical-reports/>.
4. Gas Storage Statistics available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-storage-statistics/>.
5. Six MCF Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Texas Cities available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/publications-statistics/six-mcf-report/>.

**B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

1. We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission of Texas that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2018 is 0.91%. All gas utilities should use 0.42% for the calendar year 2017 and 0.11% for calendar year 2016. This information can be found at: <https://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf>

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#### **D. Audit Forms**

1. Gas Utility Tax and Annual Forms available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/gas-services/forms/>.
2. Copies of Gas Utility Annual Reports available on Neibus at: <https://rrcsearch3.neibus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?module=esd&action=keysearch&profile=13>.
3. Information relating to any of the above, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Department, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of ten business days for completion of requests.
4. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022 or fax your request to 512-475-3180.

#### **E. Market Oversight Section Forms**

1. Annual Earnings and Monitoring Report available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/6085/annualearningsmonitoringreport.pdf>
2. Interim Cost Recovery and Rate Adjustment Report available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/6084/newinfrastructure.pdf>.

#### **F. Gas Utility Docket Information**

1. Orders and Proposals for Decision published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/>
2. Gas Utility Dockets available on Neibus at <https://rrcsearch3.neibus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?module=esd&action=keysearch&profile=14>.

#### **G. Natural Gas Tariff Filings**

1. Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Andrea Maxwell, Janet Sims, Sheila Mendoza or Virgie Frausto at (512) 463-7167.
2. Natural Gas Tariffs and Rate Schedules available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/natural-gas-tariffs-and-rate-schedules/>.

#### **H. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariff Filings**

1. Questions pertaining to the filing of common carrier pipeline tariffs should be directed to Sheila Mendoza at 512-463-7023.
2. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariffs available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/common-carrier-pipeline-tariffs/>.

#### **I. Propane Distribution Systems**

1. Propane distribution price cap information is available at: <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/propane-distribution-systems/>.

**J. Curtailment Plan (Gas Utility Docket 489)**

1. Curtailment questions should be referred to 512-463-7167 or by email at [naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov).
2. Curtailment reports made during normal business hours, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to 512-463-7167.
3. Curtailment reports made after hours or during holidays, should be made to 512-463-6788.

**K. Compliance Filings**

1. Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Christina Poole at 512-463-7167 or by email at [GUD\\_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GUD_Compliance@rrc.texas.gov).

**L. Complaints and Inquiries**

1. Residential and Commercial Propane and Natural Gas Complaints should be made at [GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GasComplaints@rrc.texas.gov) or by phone at 512-463-7167.
2. Informal Gas Purchasing, Selling, Transportation or Gathering Practice Complaints should be submitted online at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/complaint-filing/informal-gas-transportation-purchase-complaint-preliminary-information-online-form/> or at 512-463-7167.
3. Informal Complaint Preliminary Information form available at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/5671/informal-complaint-preliminary-information.pdf>.

**M. Non-Submetered Master Meter Disconnections**

1. Municipalities wishing to opt in receiving notice from utilities when non-submetered master metered multifamily property is subject to disconnection of service due to non-payment can do so at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/non-submetered-master-meter-disconnections/>.

**N. Texas Utilities Codes**

1. Available through the State of Texas website at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>.

**O. Texas Administrative Codes**

1. Available at the State of Texas website at:  
[http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7).

**P. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations**

1. Pending rules and regulations available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/general-counsel/rules/>.

**Q. Proposed Form Amendments (PFD):**

1. PFDs available at <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/about-us/resource-center/forms/proposed-form-changes/>.

**R. Hearings and Legal Analysis**

1. Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the General Counsel Division at 512-463-7149.

**S. Status of Pending Cases**

1. The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the General Counsel Division at 512-463-7149.