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GAS UTILITIES INFORMATION BULLETIN

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

**CASE NO:** OS-23-00015859  
**CAPTION:** Appeal Of Coserv Gas, Ltd. From Ratesetting Actions Of The Municipalities Of Argyle, Bartonville, Carrollton, Corinth, Denton, Double Oak, Fairview, Flower Mound, Forney, Frisco, Highland Village, Lewisville, Little Elm, Lucas, Mckinney, Murphy, Parker, Plano, Providence Village, St Paul, The Colony, And Wylie Texas  
**DATE FILED --** 12/15/2023  
**FILED BY --** John R. Hays Jr.  
**EXAMINER --** Brennan Foley  
**TECHNICAL --**

**CASE NO:** OS-23-00015881  
**CAPTION:** Appeal Of Centerpoint Energy Resources Corp., D/b/a Centerpoint Energy Entex And Centerpoint Energy Texas Gas From The Actions Of The Cities Of Buda And West Columbia.  
**DATE FILED --** 12/20/2023  
**FILED BY --** Mickey Moon  
**EXAMINER --** Brennan Folley  
**TECHNICAL --**

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
HEARINGS DIVISION**

<b>PETITION FOR REVIEW OF</b>	§	
<b>MUNICIPAL ACTIONS OF THE CITY</b>	§	
<b>OF EL PASO’S SHOW CAUSE AND</b>	§	
<b>REFUND ORDERS REGARDING TEXAS</b>	§	
<b>GAS SERVICE COMPANY, A DIVISION</b>	§	<b>OS-23-00014883</b>
<b>OF ONE GAS, INC.’S COLLECTION OF</b>	§	
<b>REVENUES FOR AN INTERIM RATE</b>	§	
<b>ADJUSTMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR</b>	§	
<b>2021</b>	§	

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

*Summary of the Proceeding and Factual Matters Asserted.* On August 16, 2023, Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. (“TGS”), filed with the Commission a petition for review from municipal actions taken by the City of El Paso in July and August 2023 ordering TGS to refund to El Paso customers certain interim rate adjustment (“IRA”) amounts collected by TGS from July 1 to August 30, 2022. In its appeal, as amended on September 28, TGS asks the Commission to reverse this municipal action and issue related findings.

On September 1, 2023, the City of El Paso moved to intervene in this proceeding as an affected municipality.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** a public hearing will be held, at the time and place set out below, to consider all issues of fact and law raised in—or relevant to—TGS’s requested relief.

*Legal Authority and Jurisdiction.* The Commission has jurisdiction over TGS and the matters at issue in this appellate proceeding pursuant to Texas Utilities Code Section 102.001 (Railroad Commission Jurisdiction).

The presiding Administrative Law Judge shall conduct the hearing pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2001 (Administrative Procedure) of the Texas Government Code, and pursuant to Title 16, Part 1 (Railroad Commission of Texas), of the Texas Administrative Code.

*Particular Statutes and Rules Involved.* The statutes and rules applicable to this proceeding may include the following:

1. Title 3 (Gas Regulation) of the Texas Utilities Code, including Chapters 101 (General Provisions and Office of Public Utility Counsel), 102 (Jurisdiction and Powers of Railroad Commission and Other Regulatory Authorities), 103 (Jurisdiction and Powers of Municipality), and/or 104 (Rates and Services);

2. Title 16, Part 1 (Railroad Commission of Texas), of the Texas Administrative Code, including Chapters 1 (Practice and Procedure) and 7 (Gas Services Division); and
3. Chapter 2001 (Administrative Procedure) of the Texas Government Code.

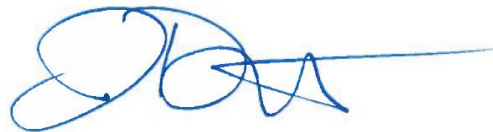
***Time, Place, and Nature of Hearing.*** **IT IS DIRECTED** the hearing on the merits shall commence at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2024, via the Zoom online platform.** The Zoom link will be circulated to the service list via e-mail prior to the start of the hearing. Members of the public may request the link by e-mailing: Sharon.Koren@rrc.texas.gov. If not concluded on the day it commences, the hearing will be continued from day to day, as announced, until concluded. All parties desiring to present sworn testimony, documentary and demonstrative evidence, and argument regarding any issue of law or fact at the hearing shall appear personally or by an attorney.

***Written Transcript of the Hearing.*** The record of the hearing will be made by recording device or by stenographic transcription by the court reporter. Any party that desires a copy of the written transcript of the hearing should contact the court reporter at (512) 282-0313. The Commission may assess the cost of the transcript or expedited transcript to one or more parties pursuant to Section 2001.059 (Transcript) of the Texas Government Code.

***Auxiliary Aids or Services for Persons with a Disability.*** Any individual with a disability who needs auxiliary aids and services to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in the hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the hearing by notifying the Commission's Docket Services by mail at P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 or by telephone at (512) 463-6848 or TDD No. (800) 735-2989.

***Contact for Additional Information.*** *Ex parte communications with the Commissioners, Administrative Law Judges, and Technical Examiners are prohibited. Clerical questions, such as questions regarding the number of copies of filings, the service list, or reviewing the record, may be directed to Docket Services at (512) 463-6848 or [docketservices@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:docketservices@rrc.texas.gov).*

**Signed on December 19, 2023.**



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**JOHN B. DODSON**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

**SECTION 3: STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

None currently.

**SECTION 4: NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None currently.

**SECTION 5: ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

None currently.

**6: MISCELLANEOUS**

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

1. Gas Utilities Information Bulletins available at <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/>.
2. Rate Review Handbook available at <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/>
3. Gas Utilities Annual Statistics available at <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/>.
4. Gas Storage Statistics available at <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/>
5. Six MCF Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Texas Cities available at <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/>

**B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

1. The Public Utility Commission of Texas has published that the interest rate to be applied customer deposits in calendar year 2024 is 4.86%. All gas utilities should use 1.36% for the calendar year 2023 and 0.06% for calendar year 2022. This information can be found at: <https://ftp.puc.texas.gov/public/puct-info/industry/electric/reports/HRates/HistRates.pdf>

**C. Contact Information**

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**D. Audit Forms**

1. Gas Utility Tax and Annual Forms available at: <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/>
2. Gas Utility Annual Reports available on Neubus at: [https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=\\_esd&\\_action=\\_keysearch&profile=13](https://rrcsearch3.neubus.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, 9<sup>th</sup> 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: <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/>
2. Interim Rate Adjustment Applications (GRIP) and Customer Notice available at: <https://rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/>

**F. Gas Utility Docket Information**

1. Orders and Proposals for Decision are published on the Commission's website at: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/> and RRC CASES at <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/rrc-cases/>.
2. Gas Utility Dockets are also available on Neubus at: [https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=\\_esd&\\_action=\\_keysearch&profile=14](https://rrcsearch3.neubus.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-Martin, Alexis Larraga, Marisol Gomez or Malachi Chavelas-Miranda at (512) 463-7167.
2. Natural Gas Tariffs and Rate Schedules available at: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/natural-gas-tariffs-rate-schedules/>

**H. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariff Filings**

1. Questions pertaining to the filing of common carrier pipeline tariffs should be directed Janet Sims-Martin at (512) 463-6779
2. Common Carrier Pipeline Tariffs available at: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/common-carrier-pipeline-tariffs/>.

**I. Propane Distribution Systems**

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



**J. Curtailment Plan (§7.455)**

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 David Bauman at (512) 463-7359 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) 463-7164.
2. Informal Gas Purchasing, Selling, Transportation or Gathering Practice Complaints should be submitted online at <https://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: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/gas-services-forms/> .

**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: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/non-submetered-master-meter-disconnections/>

**N. Texas Utilities Codes**

1. Available through the State of Texas website at: <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/>

**O. Texas Administrative Codes**

1. Available at the State of Texas website at: [https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](https://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: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/general-counsel/rules/proposed-rules/>

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

1. PFDs available at: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/forms/proposed-form-amendments/>

**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 Office of General Counsel 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 this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the Office of General Counsel at 512-463-7149.