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MEMORANDUM

TO: Cities Served by CenterPoint Gas (Cities)
FROM: Jamie Mauldin
Samantha Miller
DATE: October 31, 2023
RE: CenterPoint – Intent to Change Gas Utility Rates

CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION
CITY ACTION REQUIRED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 4

On October 30, 2023, CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas (CenterPoint or Company) filed a Statement of Intent to Change Rates in. In the filing, CenterPoint is seeking a \$37.4 million increase in annual non-gas revenue or a 5.8% increase over current adjusted revenues, excluding gas costs. In addition to requesting a change in rates, the Company is proposing to consolidate the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas Divisions into a new single division, the Texas Division.

In order to represent all cities in the new Texas Division who retain their original jurisdiction, we have created the coalition Cities Served by CenterPoint Gas (Cities). Cities have engaged the services of consultants to review CenterPoint's filing. The consultants will review the filing and identify adjustments that should be made to CenterPoint's request. We are recommending that Cities adopt the resolution authorizing membership of the City into the Cities Served by CenterPoint Gas coalition and suspending the effective date of CenterPoint's proposed rate increase.

The Gas Utility Regulatory Act permits cities to suspend the rate change for 90 days after the date the rate change would otherwise be effective. The resolution allowing suspension of the rate change must be passed before the December 4, 2023, effective date. **Accordingly, we request that each city schedule the draft suspension resolution included with this memorandum for consideration at their next council meeting.**

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We appreciate your continued support.

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