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SECTION 1
NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED

DOCKET NO. -- 10279
CAPTION -- Inquiry into the Failure of Layton Energy, Inc. to Comply with Safety Standards.
DATE FILED -- 06/05/2013
FILED BY -- Commission's Own Motion
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO. -- 10280
CAPTION -- Inquiry into the Failure of CenterPoint Energy Entex to Comply with Safety Standards.
DATE FILED -- 06/05/2013
FILED BY -- Commission's Own Motion
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO. -- 10281
CAPTION -- Application filed by Tristate ETX, LLC to report the acquisition of natural gas midstream pipeline assets from Shoreline Gas, LLC.
DATE FILED -- 06/11/2013
FILED BY --
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL -- Erin Cromleigh

DOCKET NO. -- 10282
CAPTION -- Appeal of Hughes Natural Gas, Inc. from the actions of the City of Magnolia to reimburse the City rate case expenses associated with Railroad Commission Docket 10190.
DATE FILED -- 06/13/2013
FILED BY -- Alton J. Hall, Jr.
EXAMINER -- Eugene Montes
TECHNICAL -- Rose Ruiz

DOCKET NO. -- 10283
CAPTION -- Inquiry into the Failure of The Dow Chemical Company to Comply with Safety Standards.
DATE FILED -- 06/18/2013
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 2013

SECTION 3

STATUS OF PENDING CASES

None at this time.

SECTION 4

NOTICES OF DISMISSAL

None at this time.

SECTION 5
ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION

GUD No. 10132

Rate Case Expense Issues Severed from GUD No. 10000

GUD No. 10235

Statement of Intent filed by West Texas Gas, Inc. to Increase Rates in the Unincorporated Areas of Texas

GUD No. 10246

Application filed by Texas Gas Service Company, a division of ONEOK, Inc.'s 2011 Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the North Texas Service Area.

GUD No. 10256

Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2012 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment Program for the Environs of the Houston Division and the Cities of Cut and Shoot, Galena Park, Jacinto City, New Waverly, Panorama Village, Roman Forest, South Houston, Southside Place, West University Place and Willis, which have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Commission pursuant to GURA Section 103.003.

GUD No. 10257

Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2012 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment Program for the Environs of the South Texas Division and the Cities of Beeville, Eagle Lake, Floresville, Goliad, Hallettsville, Kenedy, New Braunfels, Nordheim, Pleasanton, San Diego, Schertz, Seguin, Selma, Sinton, and Weimer, which have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Commission pursuant to GURA Section 103.003.

GUD No. 10270

Application filed by Texas Gas Service Company, a division of ONEOK, Inc.'s 2012 Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program Rate Adjustment for the Unincorporated Areas of the El Paso Service Area.

SECTION 6
MISCELLANEOUS

WILLIAM O. GEISE, GAS SERVICES DIVISION DIRECTOR

1. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

A. Publications

1. Texas Utilities Code Titles 3 and 4. Now available at the State of Texas' website at:

<http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>

Special Rules of Practice and Procedure and Substantive Rules. Now available thru the Commission's Website at:

[http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7)

2.
 - a. Annual Report for Fiscal Year – Now available via the Commission’s website at:
<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/data/gasservices/annualrpt/index.php>
3. Six MCF Monthly Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Twenty-five Texas Cities - Now available via the Commission’s website at:
<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/data/gasservices/sixmcf/index.php>

B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits

We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2013 is 0.12%. All gas utilities should use 0.12% for the calendar year 2012 and .19% for calendar year 2011.

2. UTILITY AUDIT SECTION

A. Maintains headquarters and three district offices as follows:

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building 1701 North Congress, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78701	Telephone (512) 463-7022 Fax (512) 475-3180
Ed Abrahamson, Director, Utility Audit Section Pearl Rodriguez, Program Specialist Irma Brower, Accounting Technician II	
Fort Worth - City Hall 13th Street Annex, 401 W. 13 th St Suite B	Telephone (817) 882-8966 Fax (817) 882-8951
Josh Settle, Auditor Yolandra Davis, Senior Auditor	
Austin District- P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967	
Stephen Cooper, Advising Auditor	Telephone (512) 463-7119
Houston District- 1706 Seamist Drive. Suite 501 Houston, TX 77008-3135	Telephone (713) 869-8425 Fax (713) 869-3219
Margie Stoney, Project Auditor Larry Alcorn, Auditor Dale Francis, Senior Auditor Konata Uzoma, Senior Auditor Vonetta Jackson, Auditor	

B. Gas Utility Tax, Annual Reports and Audit Reports

1. Questions relating to gas utility tax, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
2. Questions relating to annual reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
3. Inquiries relating to audit reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.

C. Available Information

Copies of gas utility annual reports (2000 to present), as well as information relating to any of the above, A through C, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Division, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the

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Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of seven to ten business days for completion of requests. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022, or Fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

3. MARKET OVERSIGHT

A. Maintains the following office to assist you:

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building
1701 North Congress, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711
Mark Evarts, Director

Telephone (512) 463-7164

B. **Gas Utilities Information Bulletin**

Published on the Commission's web site at:

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/forms/newsletters/gasutilitybulletins/index.php>

C. **Proposals For Decision**

Published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/meetings/dockets/index.php>

D. **Tariff Filings**

Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Kathy Arroyo, Claudia Godoy, Yolanda Lovelace, or Ranissa Stewart at (512) 463-7167.

E. **Curtailments**

Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made during hours other than those specified above and holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.

F. **Compliance Filings**

Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Mark Evarts at (512) 463-7167.

G. **Complaints and Inquiries**

All complaints and inquiries relating to the gas utility industry should be directed to the Market Oversight Section at (512) 463-7164.

H. **Pending RRC Rules and Regulations:**

4. **HEARINGS AND LEGAL ANALYSIS**

A. **Miscellaneous**

Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.

B. **Status of Pending Cases**

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 Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.