

Qualifications of Ali Al-Jabir

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

2 A. Ali Al-Jabir. My business address is 5151 Flynn Parkway, Suite 412 C/D, Corpus
3 Christi, Texas, 78411.

4 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION AND BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED?**

5 A. I am a consultant in the field of public utility regulation with the firm of Brubaker &
6 Associates, Inc. ("BAI").

7 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.**

8 A. I am a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin ("UT-Austin"). I hold the
9 degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Economics, both from UT-Austin. I
10 have also completed course work at Harvard University. I received my B.A. degree
11 with highest honors, and I am a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society.

12 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR EXPERIENCE.**

13 A. I joined BAI in January 1997. My work consists of preparing economic studies and
14 economic policy analyses related to investor-owned, cooperative, and municipal
15 utilities. Prior to joining BAI, I was employed at the Public Utility Commission of
16 Texas ("Texas Commission") since 1991, where I held various positions including
17 Policy Advisor to the Chairman. As Policy Advisor, I advised the Chairman on policy
18 decisions in numerous rate and rulemaking proceedings. In 1995, I advised the Texas
19 Legislature on the development of the statutory framework for wholesale competition
20 in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT"), and I was involved in
21 subsequent rulemakings at the Texas Commission to implement wholesale open
22 access transmission service in the region.

1 During my tenure at the Texas Commission and in my present capacity, I have
2 reviewed and analyzed several electric utility base rate and fuel filings in Texas. I
3 have also worked on utility rate, fuel, and merger proceedings and rulemakings in
4 Virginia, Missouri, Colorado, Indiana, Alberta, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, South
5 Carolina, Michigan, Nova Scotia and Rhode Island. In addition to my work in such
6 proceedings, I have drafted policy papers and comments regarding electric industry
7 restructuring and competitive policy issues in Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia,
8 and Delaware, as well as before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. I have
9 been an invited speaker at several electric utility industry conferences, and I have
10 presented seminars on utility regulation and industry restructuring. I have also advised
11 clients on electricity procurement in competitive retail power markets.

12 BAI and its predecessor firms have been active in utility rate and economic
13 consulting since 1937. The firm provides consulting services in the field of public
14 utility regulation to many clients, including large industrial and institutional
15 customers, some competitive retail power providers and utilities and, on occasion,
16 state regulatory agencies. In addition, we have prepared depreciation and feasibility
17 studies relating to utility service. We assist in the negotiation of contracts and the
18 solicitation and procurement of competitive energy supplies for large energy users,
19 provide economic policy analysis on industry restructuring issues, and present
20 seminars on utility regulation. In general, we are engaged in regulatory consulting,
21 economic analysis, energy procurement, and contract negotiation.

22 In addition to our main office in St. Louis, the firm also has branch offices in
23 Corpus Christi, Texas and Phoenix, Arizona.

- 1 Q. **HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY IN CONTESTED UTILITY**
2 **PROCEEDINGS?**
- 3 A. Yes, I have filed written testimony in the following dockets:
- 4 1. Texas Docket No. 10035 – Application of West Texas Utilities Company to
5 Reconcile Fuel Costs and for Authority to Change Fixed Fuel Factors;
 - 6 2. Texas Docket No. 10200 – Application of the Texas - New Mexico Power
7 Company for Authority to Change Rates;
 - 8 3. Texas Docket No. 10325 – Application of the Central Texas Electric
9 Cooperative, Inc. for Authority to Change Rates;
 - 10 4. Texas Docket No. 10600 – Application of the Brazos River Authority for
11 Approval of Rates;
 - 12 5. Texas Docket No. 10881 – Application of the New Era Electric Cooperative,
13 Inc. for Authority to Change Rates;
 - 14 6. Texas Docket No. 11244 – Petition of the Medina Electric Cooperative, Inc. to
15 Reduce its Fixed Fuel Factor and the Application of the South Texas Electric
16 Cooperative, Inc. for Authority to Refund an Over-Recovery of Fuel Cost
17 Revenues and to Reduce its Fixed Fuel Factor;
 - 18 7. Texas Docket No. 11271 – Application of Bowie-Cass Electric Cooperative, Inc.
19 for Authority to Change Rates;
 - 20 8. Texas Docket No. 11567 – Application of Kaufman County Electric
21 Cooperative, Inc. for Authority to Change Rates;
 - 22 9. Texas Docket No. 18607 – Application of West Texas Utilities Company for
23 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
 - 24 10. Texas Docket No. 20290 – Application of Central Power & Light Company for
25 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
 - 26 11. Virginia Case No. PUE980814 – In the matter of considering an electricity retail
27 access pilot program: American Electric Power – Virginia;
 - 28 12. Texas Docket No. 21111 – Application of Entergy Gulf States Inc. for Authority
29 to Reconcile Fuel Costs and to Recover a Surcharge for Under-Recovered Fuel
30 Costs;
 - 31 13. Virginia Case No. PUE990717 – Application of Virginia Electric and Power
32 Company to Revise Its Fuel Factor Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 56-249.6;

- 1 14. Texas Docket No. 22344 – Generic Issues Associated with Applications for
2 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201
3 and Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule § 25.344;
- 4 15. Texas Docket No. 22350 – Application of TXU Electric Company for Approval
5 of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and
6 Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Phase III);
- 7 16. Texas Docket No. 22352 – Application of Central Power and Light Company for
8 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201
9 and Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 10 17. Texas Docket No. 22353 – Application of Southwestern Electric Power
11 Company for Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA
12 Section 39.201 and Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final
13 Phase);
- 14 18. Texas Docket No. 22354 – Application of West Texas Utilities Company for
15 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201
16 and Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 17 19. Texas Docket No. 22356 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Approval
18 of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and
19 Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344;
- 20 20. Texas Docket No. 22349 – Application of Texas-New Mexico Power Company
21 for Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section
22 39.201 and Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 23 21. Virginia Case No. PUE000584 – Application of Virginia Electric and Power
24 Company for Approval of a Functional Separation Plan under the Virginia
25 Electric Utility Restructuring Act;
- 26 22. Texas Docket No. 24468 – Staff’s Petition to Determine Readiness for Retail
27 Competition in the Portions of Texas Within the Southwest Power Pool;
- 28 23. Texas Docket No. 24469 – Staff’s Petition to Determine Readiness for Retail
29 Competition in the Portions of Texas Within the Southeastern Electric Reliability
30 Council;
- 31 24. Virginia Case No. PUE-2002-00377 – Application of Virginia Electric and
32 Power Company to Revise Its Fuel Factor Pursuant to Section 56-249.6 of the
33 Code of Virginia;
- 34 25. Texas Docket No. 27035 – Application of Central Power and Light Company for
35 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;

- 1 26. Texas Docket No. 28818 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for
2 Certification of an Independent Organization for the Entergy Settlement Area in
3 Texas;
- 4 27. Virginia Case No. PUE-2000-00550 -- Appalachian Power Company d/b/a
5 American Electric Power: Regional Transmission Entities;
- 6 28. Texas Docket No. 29408 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for the
7 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
- 8 29. Texas Docket No. 29801 – Application of Southwestern Public Service
9 Company for: (1) Reconciliation of its Fuel Costs for 2002 and 2003; (2) A
10 Finding of Special Circumstances; and (3) Related Relief;
- 11 30. Texas Docket No. 30143 -- Petition of El Paso Electric Company to Reconcile
12 Fuel Costs;
- 13 31. Texas Docket No. 31540 – Proceeding to Consider Protocols to Implement a
14 Nodal Market in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas Pursuant to PUC
15 Substantive Rule 25.501;
- 16 32. Texas Docket No. 32795 – Staff’s Petition to Initiate a Generic Proceeding to
17 Re-Allocate Stranded Costs Pursuant to PURA Section 39.253(f);
- 18 33. Texas Docket No. 33309 – Application of AEP Texas Central Company for
19 Authority to Change Rates;
- 20 34. Texas Docket No. 33310 – Application of AEP Texas North Company for
21 Authority to Change Rates;
- 22 35. Michigan Case No. U-15245 – In the Matter of the Application of Consumers
23 Energy Company for Authority to Increase its Rates for the Generation and
24 Distribution of Electricity and for Other Rate Relief;
- 25 36. Texas Docket No. 34800 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Authority
26 to Change Rates and to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
- 27 37. Texas Docket No. 35717 – Application of Oncor Electric Delivery Company
28 LLC for Authority to Change Rates;
- 29 38. RIPUC Docket No. 4065 – Application of the Narragansett Electric Company
30 d/b/a National Grid for Approval of a Change in Electric Base Distribution Rates
31 Pursuant to R.I.G.L. Sections 39-3-10 and 39-3-11;
- 32 39. RIPUC Docket No. 4323 – Application of the Narragansett Electric Company
33 d/b/a National Grid for Approval of a Change in Electric and Gas Base
34 Distribution Rates Pursuant to R.I.G.L. Sections 39-3-10 and 39-1-3-11;

- 1 40. Oregon Docket No. UE 283 -- In the Matter of Portland General Electric
2 Company's Request for a General Rate Revision;
- 3 41. Washington Docket No. UE-141368 – In the Matter of the Petition of Puget
4 Sound Energy to Update Methodologies Used to Allocate Electric Cost of
5 Service and for Electric Rate Design Purposes;
- 6 42. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket No. EL15-82-000 -- Illinois
7 Industrial Energy Consumers, Complainant, v. Midcontinent Independent
8 System Operator, Inc., Respondent; and
- 9 43. RIPUC Docket No. 4568 – In Re: Review of the Narragansett Electric Company
10 d/b/a National Grid's Rate Design Pursuant to R.I. General Laws Section 39-
11 26.6-24.