

TEXAS LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY UPDATE

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I. Electric Power Developments

A. 2017 Legislative Session

- Siting of Wind Farms (SB 277)
- Rate Cases for ERCOT Electric Utilities (SB 735)
- Advanced Metering in Non-ERCOT Areas (SB 1145)
- Energy Efficiency for State Agencies (SB 59)
- Benefit Programs for Low-Income Customers (SB 1976)
- General Land Office's Electricity Sales Program (SB 736)



I. Electric Power Developments (Cont'd.)

B. Regulatory Enactments

- Legislative Implementations
 - PUC new rule 16 TAC §25.246 implements a portion of HB 1535 from the 84th Legislature.
 - PUC amended 16 TAC §§ 25.101, 25.174, and 25.192 implement mandates from SB 776, SB 933, and HB 1535 of the 84th Legislature.
- The PUC amended §25.181 to require electric utilities residential and commercial energy efficiency cost recovery factor (EECRF) cost caps be increased or decreased by a rate equal to the most recently available calendar year's percentage change in the South urban consumer price index (CPI) determined by the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics.



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- The PUC amended §25.507, relating to ERCOT's Emergency Response Service (ERS). The amendment allows ERS resources to participate in Must-Run-Alternative arrangements to replace the need for Reliability Must-Run generation resources.
- The PUC amended §25.211 to modify the Agreement for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Distributed Generation (Interconnection Agreement).
- The PUC amended §25.474 for the limited purpose of allowing a Retail Electric Provider (REP) or aggregator to use a portable electronic device during customer enrollments via door-to-door sales.



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