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Public Utility Commission of Texas to Host Workshop in Houston on Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Response

Austin, Texas – The Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) will host a workshop in Houston, Texas on electric utilities’ preparation for, and response to recent severe storms, including the May 2024 derecho and Hurricane Beryl. All five PUC Commissioners will attend and hear comments from the public and invited experts.

“The Commission is coming to Houston so we can hear directly from the people who experienced these devastating storms first-hand,” PUC Chairman Thomas Gleeson said. “Their experiences and perspectives will be critical to us as we assess what went wrong during recent storms and what needs improvement to ensure the electric infrastructure can weather these disasters.”

The workshop is open to the public, and Texans affected by recent storms are invited to attend and share their experience. Registration is not required.

WHEN: Saturday, Oct. 5, 2024 at 9 a.m. CT

WHERE: Harris County Department of Education Ronald Reagan Building
5th Floor Conference Center
6300 Irvington Blvd,
Houston, Texas, 77022

Additional information about the workshop will be provided in the coming weeks on the PUC’s website [homepage](#) and social media channels ([X](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#)).

The PUC is also accepting public comments about utility preparedness and response to the recent storms through a [public form](#) available on the PUC homepage.

In July, the PUC opened an investigation into the emergency preparedness and extreme weather response of utilities in the Greater Houston region. All public documents associated with the ongoing investigation can be found [here](#).



About the Public Utility Commission of Texas

Our mission is to serve Texans by regulating the state's electric, telecommunication, and water and sewer utilities, implementing respective legislation, and offering customer assistance in resolving consumer complaints. Since its founding in 1975, the Commission has a long and proud history of service to Texas, protecting customers, fostering competition, and promoting high quality infrastructure. To learn more, please visit <https://www.puc.texas.gov>.