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Public Utility Commission of Texas Assesses \$579,000 in Penalties for Electric Rule Violations

Austin, Texas – The Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) assessed \$579,000 in penalties for violations of electric rules at its open meeting this week.

The Commission has primary oversight and economic regulatory authority over the state’s electricity, water, and telecommunications industries.

The Commission approved settlement agreements in the following two dockets:

- PUC Docket No. [56759](#): A settlement agreement with three power generating companies for violations of ERCOT operating rules. (PURA § 39.151(j); 16 TAC § 25.503(f)(2) and (10); ERCOT Nodal Operating Guide §§ 2.9(2), 2.9.1(8), 5.1(1)(c), and 6.1.3.4(2); and ERCOT Planning Guide §§ 6.2(5)(c) and (7) Related to Voltage Ride Through (VRT)).

The companies agreed to pay a total administrative penalty of \$360,000 and make procedural changes to prevent future violations.

- PUC Docket No. [57493](#): A settlement agreement with a power generating company for violations of ERCOT operating rules. (PURA § 39.151(j), 16 TAC § 25.503(f)(2) and (f)(10), ERCOT Nodal Protocols § 8.5.2.1(1), ERCOT Nodal Operating Guide §§ 2.2.8 and 2.9.1, Related to VRT; and ERCOT Nodal Operating Guide § 6.1.3.4(2) Related to Dynamic Disturbance Recording Data Retention).

The company agreed to pay a total administrative penalty of \$219,000 and make procedural changes to prevent future violations.

Administrative penalty payments are made to the PUC and are ultimately deposited into the state’s general fund. Typically, payments must be made within 30 days of the signed final order.

A recording of this week’s open meeting is available [here](#) on the PUC website. The next PUC open meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2025.



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>.