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Re: RFP 22-4

Docket No. R-36227

In re: Assessment of Louisiana's current electric utility infrastructure for resilience and hardening for future storm events

Dear Kathryn:

Please allow me to offer this proposal in response to the Louisiana Public Service Commission RFP referred to above, to assist the Commission and Staff in the assessment of Louisiana's current electric utility infrastructure for resilience and hardening for future storm events. The following is my proposal.

## **A) PROJECTED SCOPE OF REPRESENTATION**

It is projected that I will be assisting Commission Staff ( Legal, Utilities and/or Auditing Divisions) and an engineering consultant in the following efforts: drafting, review, and potential follow-up to data requests issued to jurisdictional electric utilities; analysis of information/data received from jurisdictional electric utilities regarding each utility's respective maintenance plan(s) concerning transmission; drafting requests for information/comment to stakeholders; reviewing and analyzing comments filed by all parties; participating in Technical conference(s); participating in sight visits, if necessary; participating in meetings with stakeholders, utilities, and Commissioners as necessary; reviewing and providing comments on technical analysis prepared by engineering consultant; assisting in the defense of any proposed recommendations and rules; ensuring that any rules and regulations issued by the Commission conform with the national regulatory standard for regulated utilities; and, attending B&E sessions as needed.

## **B) SUMMARY PROJECTED PLAN OF ACTION**

I propose that the appropriate efforts in response to the anticipated scope of representation reflected above and in the original RFP would include, but certainly not be limited to, the following: Preparation and analysis of requests for comment, data or information and responses; Preparation for and participation in a Technical Conference(s); Research and analysis of all factual and policy issues associated with the scope of work, including but not limited to respective utility maintenance plans regarding transmission; Review and analysis of comments of parties; Review and analysis of reports of technical engineering consultants ; Site inspections if appropriate; Preparation for and participation in appropriate Business and Executive sessions; Assistance to Staff in preparation of Recommendation,

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Rules and Regulations; Meetings with Staff, Consultants, Intervenor, Stakeholders, Commissioners and others; Legal and Policy research; and, other activities or efforts reasonably anticipated or projected by the original scope of work.

## **C) PERIOD OF REPRESENTATION**

It is understood and agreed that the time period estimated in the RFP to complete the Scope of Representation is approximately 12 months, that this is an estimate only, and that the Commission makes no representation as to the accuracy thereof.

## **D) EXPERIENCE AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

It is respectfully submitted that I both meet and surpass the minimum requirements to represent the Louisiana Public Service Commission in the proposed matter. I have significant experience in the presentation, adjudication and mediation of cases involving relevant subject matter, legal issues and procedure. I am familiar with the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Commission, and it's corresponding processes, including rulemaking. I hold a Master of Laws in Judicial Process from the University of Virginia; a Juris Doctorate from Tulane University School of Law; and, a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Pennsylvania. I previously served as a staff attorney and Assistant Attorney General with the Office of Attorney General for the State of Louisiana, and practiced civil litigation with the law firm of Christovich and Kearney. From 1982 to 1991 I served as Judge on the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal in New Orleans. During that time I was selected by my fellow judges to serve on the Louisiana Judicial Council and was appointed to present judicial matters to the legislature and governor's office, helping to formulate legislation to make the administration of justice in Louisiana more efficient. Finally, my experience includes counsel regarding and analysis of energy sector issues relevant to the substance and intent of the RFP in question. My professional resume is attached hereto.

## **E) CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

I am unaware of any current or past employment which could result in a conflict of interest regarding this RFP/Docket. I do not currently represent any clients before this Commission.

## **F) ESTIMATE OF FEES AND EXPENSES**

It is proposed that all invoices submitted for payment of fees and costs will be issued in strict compliance with the guidelines of the Commission, and will be submitted pursuant to the direction of the November 10, 2014 General Order of the Commission. It is projected that the anticipated scope of representation and plan of action set forth above will necessitate a maximum total of legal fees not to exceed \$118,000.00 at an hourly rate of \$295.00 per hour. It is further projected that expenses to be incurred in connection with the proposed work will not exceed the total amount of \$1900.00.

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Accordingly, my total proposed budget for the legal representation set forth above, inclusive of legal fees and expenses, is as follows: \$119,900.00. I truly look forward to the opportunity to be of service to the Commission, and invite you to contact me should you need any additional information.

Respectfully Submitted, .



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