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The Commission must eliminate this exception. As long as gas continues to play a role in the Texas power grid, the operators who supply it must do so in a manner that serves Texans instead of their own financial interests.

Sincerely,

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This should not be allowed to happen in this day and age. It is the responsibility of the utilities to ensure the effective delivery of services. They have the resources. They need to invest in their own businesses, not we the people who make zero profit and pay for their services. That's the cost of doing business. It needs to stay on the end of the industry. Protect the people, not the corporations...that is your only job. Do it.

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Mary Edmonson Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:11 PM Rules Coordinator Let's Not Repeat a Tragedy...Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and § 3.107 publ

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Regards, Mary Edmonson 16023 Pebble Bend Dr Houston, TX 77068

Sarah Sisbach Wednesday, October 27, 2021 1:32 AM Rules Coordinator Opposition to Proposed Rule re: winterization

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I was proud of the legislature enacting legislation following last winter's debacle to require power companies (whose profits suggest they could and should have done this all along) to step up and put in place appropriate infrastructure to preclude a repeat. However, the proposed rule is basically caving to the greed of the industry at the expense of all Texans and allowing them to simply file for an exemption and avoid the expense of doing the right thing. Shame on you if this is passed. Please please protect the citizens of Texas by holding true to the original legislation and not passing a rule that lets power providers reap financial reward without making the financial investment to install weatherization infrastructure to meet the increasingly severe weather conditions caused by climate change.

Sarah Sisbach

Linda Demjen **Wednesday**, October 27, 2021 4:58 PM Rules Coordinator Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Linda Demjen 517 Caplin St Houston, TX 77022 From:Mira Wizig < Mira.Wizig.273308629@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:55 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Christine Wordlaw 3004 Allister St Dallas, TX 75229 From:Patricia White <Patricia.White.484490128@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:49 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Patricia White 1318 Hi Cir N Horseshoe Bay, TX 78657

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Sincerely, Dennis S. Goldwood The Woodlands, TX. 77382

Regards, Dennis Goldwood 76 W Sandalbranch Cir Spring, TX 77382 From:Jessica Cain < Jessica.Cain.271778512@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:26 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, jane webb 4745 Ocean Dr Corpus Christi, TX 78412 From:Elizabeth Riebschlaeger <Elizabeth.Riebschlaeger.7195972@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:19 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Providing energy resources like natural gas to produce energy for Texans is a public social responsibility that brings with it accountability of the public and all public officials and private commercial interests involved in its production and delivery to the people under the Law. There is no other option.

This means supplying entities' investing in winterization and guaranteeing dependable delivery of natural gas in all conditions, without fail. (My good citizen mother, a Republican leader in her County and the State taught me that, "Only a fool makes the same mistake twice".) Texas voters do not abide fools in public office.

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If such failures were to be repeated, then all Railroad Commissioners and other responsible officials, including the

Attorney General and yourself as Governor, should resign or face impeachment for failing to see that the above legal requirements established by the Legislature are met.

Neither the Texas Railroad Commission nor you have the authority to ignore your legal obligations under the Law passed by the Legislature, the People's Representatives and Senators. Then there is always the next election. Texans know the truth based on factual reports and, frankly, are fed up.

Regards, Elizabeth Riebschlaeger 1603 E Brazos St Victoria, TX 77901 From:Catherine Herbsleb <Catherine.Herbsleb.359609242@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:19 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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SHARON LUNDGREN <SHARON.LUNDGREN.245538698@p2a.co> Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:10 PM Rules Coordinator Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Craig Wolcott <Craig.Wolcott.214209011@p2a.co> Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:07 PM Rules Coordinator Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Matthew Bole 103 Omaha Ct Waxahachie, TX 75165 From:sherry andresen < sherry.andresen.28094296@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 3:41 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Robin Saywitz 8000 Atlas Pear Dr Bryan, TX 77807 From:Krisan Patterson <Krisan.Patterson.484484206@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 3:38 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, helen hext 10010 Kempwood Dr Houston, TX 77080 From:Yunshan Liu <Yunshan.Liu.484480796@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 3:00 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Frank Blake 1010 Peden St Houston, TX 77006 From:Pollyanna Hopson < Pollyanna.Hopson.484479266@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 2:46 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Pollyanna Hopson 103 Yacht Ct Lakeway, TX 78734 From:Patricia Sealls < Patricia.Sealls.463389908@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 2:43 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Patricia Sealls 117 Wooden Lodge Dr Manchaca, TX 78652 From:Mary Johns < Mary.Johns.74755598@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:59 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Mary Johns 18027 Longcliffe Dr Houston, TX 77084 From: Sent: To: Subject: Jennifer Hilliard <Jennifer.Hilliard.444352774@p2a.co> Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:09 PM Rules Coordinator Require all NATURAL GAS facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Jennifer Hilliard 904 N Sandpiper Ingleside, TX 78362 From:Martha Eberle <Martha.Eberle.463481554@p2a.co>Sent:Wednesday, October 27, 2021 3:50 PMTo:Rules CoordinatorSubject:\*\*\*Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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Regards, Martha Eberle 2525 McGregor Ln Dripping Springs, TX 78620 From: Sent: To: Subject: Stephen Krebs <info@email.actionnetwork.org> Wednesday, October 27, 2021 8:01 AM Rules Coordinator 16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 - Comment on weatherization rule

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Stephen Krebs skrebs@outlook.com

Houston, Texas 77030

From: Sent: To: Subject: Bryan Hurt <info@email.actionnetwork.org> Wednesday, October 27, 2021 2:48 PM Rules Coordinator 16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 - Comment on weatherization rule

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Bryan Hurt bchurt@gmail.com PO Box 1425 Denton, Texas 76202 From: Sent: To: Subject: Richard Maddern Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:21 PM Rules Coordinator Comment on Proposed Critical Infrastructure Rule

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This current rule proposal allows any operator to simply opt out of weatherizing, even if they normally supply gas to electric generators. The Railroad Commission must act to ensure that operators supplying gas to electric generation facilities are weatherized.

The proposed rule also encourages operators who aren't supplying gas to electric generators to be designated as critical infrastructure. If electricity shortages and rolling power outages are required to keep the grid stable, facilities that are unnecessarily designated as critical infrastructure could actually cause more Texans to go without power.

Please strengthen this rule to avoid a repeat of last winter's tragedy, in which hundreds died and millions were left without power.

Sincerely, Richard Maddern 717 Link Dr Kingsland, TX 78639 From: Sent: To: Subject: Catherine Tully <Catherine.Tully.463422414@p2a.co> Wednesday, October 27, 2021 4:10 PM Rules Coordinator Do Your Job: Require all gas facilities to weatherize (16 TAC §3.65 and §3.107 public comments)

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