

II. Projected Revenue Requirements

The Commission approves projected revenue requirements of \$13,213,720 for FY 2001, which consist of the Commission expenses of \$12,875,843 and the Office of Public Utility Counsel expenses of \$337,877.³

III. Nonbypassable Fees

The Commission finds that 232,598,611 projected megawatt hours⁴ (MWh) is a reasonable amount to use in calculating the proposed nonbypassable fee. Dividing this amount by projected revenue requirements results in a proposed nonbypassable fee of \$0.0568091 per MWh. The Commission approves this amount as the nonbypassable fee for FY 2001. Total amounts that shall be paid by the electric utilities based on this rate are calculated in the table below:

<u>UTILITY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Central Power & Light	\$ 1,210,238.95
Entergy Gulf States – TX	\$ 842,629.98
Reliant Energy - HL & P	\$ 3,943,330.55
Southwestern Public Service – TX	\$ 631,815.64
Southwestern Electric Power Company – TX	\$ 425,436.61
Texas – New Mexico Power	\$ 435,923.96
TXU Electric	\$ 5,449,546.72
West Texas Utilities	\$ 274,797.59
Total	\$13,213,720.00

³ These amounts were appropriated by the 76th Texas Legislature. *See* Act of May 27, 1999, 76th Leg. R.S., ch. 1589 (H.B. 1), Art. VIII, § 1, 1999 Tex. Sess. Law Serv. 6141, 6215 (General Appropriations Act 2000-2001 Biennium at VIII-75).

⁴ This total is based on 1999 electric retail sales, as listed in Project No. 22209, *2000 Update Reports of Generating Electric Utilities*.

IV. Fee Remittance

The electric utilities identified in Section III of this Order shall remit the total assessed nonbypassable fee amounts for FY 2001, as set out in Section III, by September 1, 2000. Payments shall be made to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts in accordance with the instructions to be issued by the Administrative Services Division of the Commission. This Order applies only to the fees and revenues for the fiscal year 2001. The Commission is in the process of implementing a rulemaking to address all issues related to the system benefit account, fees, and associated programs for future fiscal years.

V. Cost Recovery

An electric utility required by this Order to remit the nonbypassable fee for FY 2001 may recover the amount assessed against it in this Order by including that amount as part of its annual costs in the annual report required by PURA § 39.257.

Those electric utilities that do not have earnings in their annual report sufficient to cover the entire amount assessed in this Order may petition the Commission for other relief, including approval of the recovery of the assessed amount as a regulatory asset.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS THE 10th DAY OF MAY, 2000.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

PAT WOOD, III, CHAIRMAN

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