

**RULES for EUC Hearings Regarding Possible Amendments
to City Council Competitive Matters Resolution**

Revised and approved by the Electric Utility Commission on February 22, 2010

Rules for First Hearing in March (Presentations by Public)

1. **7 Minute Presentation Eligibility Requirements.** Anyone who has submitted a presentation, whether in writing or as a power point, by noon on the Friday before the hearing, may have 7 minutes to present that presentation. The presentation will have been loaded onto the computer or distributed in advance to the EUC Commissioners, so no changes may be made to the presentation once it is submitted. No assignment of time is allowed among persons making 7 minute presentations as each person should present his or her own submitted presentation. 7 minute presentations will be the first ones heard at the hearing.
2. **3 Minute Presentations.** If a person does not qualify to give a 7 minute presentation, then that person has only 3 minutes, provided that minutes may be assigned among persons signing up for 3 minute presentations. Up to four persons who are present at the hearing may assign their time to one speaker. To be eligible to give a 3 minute presentation, a person must sign in before the last speaker addressing the Commission has finished. A person with a 7 minute presentation may not also sign up for a 3 minute presentation. If a person making a 3 minute presentation has a specific comment (see item 3 below), they may submit it in writing by the end of the hearing in order for it to be posted with the other materials per item 4.
3. **Requirements for Written Comments.** Speakers or other individuals who submit written comments should provide the following: specific references to the provisions of the resolution that they believe should be deleted or their proposed alternative language for the resolution and/or a list of specific information categories that are currently considered confidential, along with a rationale for how release of such information would be useful to the public. The Commission OR A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE COMMISSION shall determine which comments meeting these requirements shall be submitted to staff for response.
4. **Internet Access to Presentations/Questions.** All properly submitted presentations and written comments will be posted on the www.austinenergy.com website.
5. **Time Limits.** For all speakers, the first bell will ring 30 seconds before time is up to allow for wrap up. No extensions of time will be allowed after second bell rings. No exceptions.

Rules for Second Hearing (likely to be held in April or May):

1. The public will again be invited to make 3 minute verbal comments per normal rules of public comments.
2. If numerous presentations or comments are submitted in the first hearing, it is possible the second hearing will be held 60 or more days following the first hearing (instead of 30 days) in order to give staff sufficient time to prepare responses.
3. Staff responses will be posted on the www.austinenergy.com website by noon on the Friday before the hearing.
4. The Commission will post supplemental rules regarding the amount of time a person may submit follow up comments during subsequent hearings once it is known how many commentators there are and the number of comments received.