## **External Relations Update**

November 17, 2008

#### **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

# **Legislative Hearings & Other Capitol Events**

- 10/6/08 Senate Business & Commerce hearing wind siting/K Saathoff testified
- 11/10/08 House Select Committee on Hurricane Ike Storm Devastation to the Texas Gulf Coast /K Saathoff testified
- 11/18/08 Senate Business & Commerce hearing state of the state on energy issues/B Kahn to testify

### **Meetings with Government Officials**

- 9/10/08 K Saathoff briefed Rep. Oliveira's chief of staff on Hurricane Ike preparations in the Rio Grande Valley.
- 10/7/08 B Kahn briefs Democratic chiefs of staff group at the capitol on ERCOT/energy issues
- 10/17/08 B Kahn and Joel Mickey give Met Center control room tour to group including Governor Perry's General Counsel David Cabrales and staff from Sen. Kirk Watson's office.
- 11/5/08 B Kahn meets with Rep. Oliveira to discuss various energy issues
- 11/7/08 J Mickey gives tour to staff from the Office of Public Counsel
- 11/12/08 B Kahn meets with Sen. Van de Putte to discuss various presession issues
- 11/17/08 M Armentrout and B Kahn meet with Chairman Phil King for pre-Legislative session meeting
- \*Upcoming\* 11/25/08 K Saathoff and B Kahn give Met Center control room tour to Sen. Kirk Watson and brief him on energy/ERCOT issues

# **MEDIA RELATIONS**

### **News Releases**

- September 12 Media Advisory Hurricane Resources, FAQs
- September 14 Hurricane Ike: ERCOT Grid Condition, Update 1
- September 15 Hurricane Ike: ERCOT Grid Condition, Update 2
- September 16 ERCOT withdraws fee increase request
- September 24 ERCOT Takes Actions to Confirm Asset Security

### **Upcoming News Releases**

- December: Capacity, Demand and Reserves report winter update
- **December**: Media Advisory re: Annual membership meeting speaker (tentative)
- **December**: Annual Transmission Constraints and Needs report (tentative)
- **December**: Long-Term System Assessment report (tentative)

#### "ERCOT News"

- October 22 ERCOT News ERCOT Board Approves 2009 Congestion Zones, Ancillary Services Methodology Change
- September 17 ERCOT News Topics: Hurricane Ike, 2009 Commercially Significant Constraints, EILS Results

# **OTHER EXTERNAL OUTREACH**

- 10/1/08 B Kahn delivers lunch keynote at Gulf Coast Power Association annual meeting (Austin)
- 10/23/08 B Kahn delivers speech at UT workshop on renewable energy (Austin)
- 11/6/08 M Grable delivers speech at Governor's TexasOne conference (Houston)
- 11/10/08 B Kahn delivers speech at Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association (TREIA) conference (Austin)
- 11/14/08 B Kahn delivers speech at Texas Electricity Professionals Association (TEPA) annual conference (Austin)
- \*Upcoming\* 12/4/08 B Kahn delivers speech at Power Systems
  Engineering Research Center at A&M University (College Station)