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COMES NOW Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT), the Independent Organization of the ERCOT Region, and respectfully requests Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) approval of Jorge Bermudez as an Unaffiliated Director of the ERCOT Board of Directors (Board). On May 19, 2010, pursuant to the direction of the ERCOT Board, ERCOT issued its notice of Special Meeting of ERCOT's Corporate Membership for July 18, 2010 (Special Meeting) for the election of Mr. Bermudez as an Unaffiliated Director. Pursuant to the ERCOT Amended and Restated Bylaws (Bylaws), Mr. Bermudez received the requisite amount of segment votes by ballot on June 16, 2010, in lieu of the Special Meeting, to be elected as an Unaffiliated Director for a term beginning on July 1, 2010. Mr. Bermudez will serve on the ERCOT Board, beginning July 1, 2010, pending the Commission's approval.

I. Statement of Jurisdiction and Authority

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Section 39.151 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA)¹.

II. Identification of Applicant

The name and address of the Applicant is Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., 7620 Metro Center Drive, Austin, Texas 78744.

The name, address, telephone, and facsimile numbers of Applicant's authorized representatives are as follows:

¹ Tex. Util. Code Ann. §39.151.

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III. Background

Pursuant to ERCOT's Bylaws, the Nominating Committee of the ERCOT Board consists of all of the voting Directors of the Board other than the ERCOT Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and is charged with the selection of Unaffiliated Directors of the ERCOT Board. At the direction of the Nominating Committee, ERCOT began its search for an Unaffiliated Director in October 2009. After a competitive process, ERCOT retained Russell Reynolds Associates, Inc. (Russell Reynolds), a nationally-recognized, executive search firm to assist in the search for a qualified candidate. As further detailed in the ERCOT Bylaws, Unaffiliated Directors must have significant professional credentials and independence from any Market Participant to prevent potential conflicts of interest.

Russell Reynolds embarked upon the candidate identification and screening process and reviewed candidates based on direct knowledge and third-party references, evaluating experience and functional expertise. Russell Reynolds' recommendations were prepared and presented to the Nominating Committee. After determining that Mr. Bermudez met ERCOT's qualification requirements, the Nominating Committee unanimously selected Mr. Bermudez as an Unaffiliated Director to serve on the ERCOT Board for a term beginning July 1, 2010, subject to approval by ERCOT's Corporate Members and the Commission. A brief profile of Mr. Bermudez's professional credentials is attached hereto as *Attachment A*.

ERCOT's Corporate Members subsequently elected Mr. Bermudez to an Unaffiliated Director seat on the ERCOT Board through the Segment voting by ballot process on June 16, 2010, in lieu of the Special Meeting originally scheduled for June 18, 2010. Corporate Membership voting for the Unaffiliated Director was conducted pursuant to the Bylaws procedures requiring approval by a majority of Member Segments (i.e., at least four out of seven Member Segments).

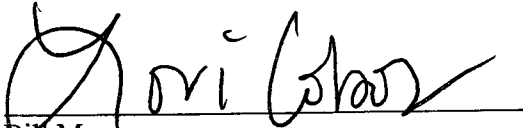
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In order to promote compliance with requirements in the ERCOT Bylaws for Unaffiliated Directors, ERCOT will require that Mr. Bermudez sign ERCOT's standard Ethics Agreement for Directors and Segment Alternates.

IV. Prayer

ERCOT respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving Mr. Bermudez as an Unaffiliated Director for the ERCOT Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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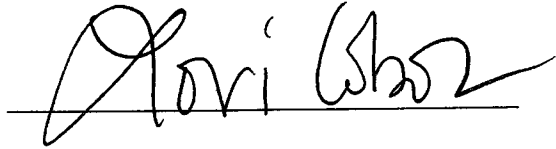
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document was served on all parties of record in this proceeding on June 22, 2010 in the following manner: by facsimile, email, or first class U.S. mail.



JORGE A. BERMUDEZ

College Station, TX

EDUCATION

1975 MS TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
College Station, TX

Agricultural Economics

1975 BS TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
College Station, TX

Agricultural Economics

EXPERIENCE

2008 to present BYEBROOK GROUP
College Station, TX

Research and advisory firm in the financial services industry.

Chief Executive Officer

2008 to present THE HOUSTON BRANCH OF THE FEDERAL
RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS

Each Federal Reserve Bank has a board of directors, whose members work closely with their Reserve Bank president to provide grassroots economic information and input on management and monetary policy decisions. These boards are drawn from the general public and the banking community and oversee the activities of the organization. They also appoint the presidents of the Reserve Banks, subject to the approval of the Board of Governors. Reserve Bank boards consist of nine members: six serving as representatives of nonbanking enterprises and the public (nonbankers) and three as representatives of banking. The Federal Reserve branch offices have five- or seven-member boards that provide vital information concerning regional economies.

Board Director

1975 to 2008 CITIGROUP, INC.

2007 to 2008 *Chief Risk Officer*

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| 2004 to 2007 | <i>Chief Executive Officer and President,
Citigroup Commercial Business Group –
North America and Texas</i> |
| 2002 to 2004 | <i>Chief Executive Officer,
Citigroup Latin America</i> |
| 2000 to 2002 | <i>Head of e-Business,
Citibank Corporate Banking Internet</i> |
| 1998 to 2000 | <i>Executive Vice President and Head of
Global Cash Management and Trade</i> |
| 1996 to 1998 | <i>Head of South America Division</i> |
| 1990 to 1996 | <i>Head of Global Asset Redeployment and
Equity Investments</i> |
| 1988 to 1990 | <i>Head of Credit Policy, NA and Head of Risk
Citibank International Banking Operations</i> |
| 1986 to 1988 | <i>Head of Risk – Corporate Banking, NA
New York, NY</i> |
| 1984 to 1986 | <i>Corporate Bank Head - Venezuela</i> |
| 1981 to 1984 | <i>Unit Head – Institutional Recovery Management</i> |
- Responsible for a number of major corporate restructurings in the US.
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| 1975 to 1981 | <i>Various positions
Citibank National Banking Group
New York / Houston</i> |
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CURRENT BOARD POSITIONS

The Houston Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas;
The Council of the Americas, New York
The Community Foundation of the Brazos Valley, Texas

PREVIOUS BOARD POSITIONS

Citibank, NA; Citicorp USA 2005 - 2008;
MasterCard International, LAC 2002 – 2004;
Chairman of the New York Clearing House Steering Committee 2001 – 2002;

RUSSELL REYNOLDS ASSOCIATES

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Asociación De Bancos Argentinos (Argentina) 1994 – 1996;

FEMSA Group (Mexico) 1988 – 1993;

Norfield Childrens Center (Conn.) 1989 – 1993;

Siembra Group (Argentina) 1993 – 1997.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS / AWARDS

Serves Texas A&M University on the International Board, College of Agriculture Development Council, Mays Business School Development Council, and the Board of the Association of Former Students.

Recipient of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Outstanding Alumnus Award and the Tyrus R.Timm Honor Registry.