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| Comments |

Conservative Texans for Energy Innovation (CTEI) is a non-profit clean energy education and advocacy organization supported by thousands of Texans seeking to promote energy innovation and clean energy policies grounded in the conservative principle of common sense, market-based solutions that allow fair competition and provide greater access to clean, affordable, and reliable energy.

CTEI supports the goal of Other Binding Document Revision Request (OBDRR) 041 to enable the participation of distributed energy resources in ERCOT’s wholesale market, including the provision of Ancillary Services. We fully expect that ERCOT’s adoption and implementation of OBDRR041 will enable Texas to begin unlocking price-responsive, economic competition on the consumer side of the ERCOT electric grid.

Many Texans have already made a private investment in equipment and devices designed to improve the efficiency, resiliency, and reliability of their homes and small businesses. News reports and market analyses continue to indicate that many more Texans will invest in additional equipment and devices in the near future, especially following the impact of Winter Storm Uri and continued concerns about the reliability of the grid during hot summer months. With the proper use of software and technology to enable aggregations, as well as improvements to ERCOT’s processes like OBDRR041 seeks to implement, these Texans will have the ability to turn their homes into distributed energy resources that can generate, store, and reliably deliver energy and Ancillary Services to the ERCOT System.

This OBDRR is exactly the type of policy change that Texas needs to improve grid reliability and enhance competition in the ERCOT markets – by unlocking the tremendous potential of fast-acting resources in the Distribution System and creating a level playing field for these valuable assets. CTEI recommends ERCOT and other stakeholders work to timely implement OBDRR041 and ensure that these resources provide significant benefits to the grid as a whole on top of the reliability, resiliency, and efficiency that they bring to the homes of customers who have invested in these resources. If successful as expected, OBDRR041 will unlock tremendous value for Texans with solar generation and/or home batteries that will be able to offer their extra capacity and energy in a way that benefits the grid and enables homeowners to monetize value that currently remains stranded and uncompensated.

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