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# January 29, 2021 VIA HAND-DELIVERY FILED Katherine Collier, Executive Secretary JAN 29 2021 Mississippi Public Service Commission

**MISS. PUBLIC SERVICE** COMMISSION

Notice of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy RE: Mississippi Gas of the Filing of a Revised Gas Facility Extension Policy to Become Effective April 1, 2021

Dear Katherine:

Enclosed for filing with the Mississippi Public Service Commission are an original and twelve (12) copies of CenterPoint's Notice of Filing of Revised Gas Facility Extension Policy regarding the above-referenced matter.

Please stamp the extra copy of the Notice "Filed" and return via my runner.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

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#### BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION COMMISSION

## RE: NOTICE OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP. D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY MISSISSIPPI GAS OF THE FILING OF ROUTINE CHANGES TO ITS GAS FACILITY EXTENSION POLICY TO BECOME EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2021

# DOCKET NO. 27 - UN-25

### **RP 9 DESIGNATION:** CenterPoint Designates this Filing as a Routine Filing Under RP 9 Proposed Effective Date: April 1, 2021

### NOTICE OF FILING OF ROUTINE CHANGES TO GAS FACILITY EXTENSION POLICY

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Mississippi Gas ("CenterPoint"), pursuant to the provisions of the public utility laws of Mississippi, including, but not limited to, Miss. Code Ann § 77-3-33 (2009), and the Public Utilities Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Commission's Rules"), including RP 9.100.1, hereby gives notice to the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") of the filing of changes in its existing Gas Facility Extension Policy (the "Extension Policy"). The changes to the Extension Policy are routine in nature, do not involve substantial revenue adjustments, and are made pursuant to RP 9 of the Commission's Rules. In support, CenterPoint shows the following:

1. Attached as Appendix "I" is a copy of CenterPoint's currently approved Extension Policy with the changes CenterPoint is making (excluding the policy's exhibits, which remain unchanged). The deletions are shown by a line through the phrase deleted, and any language being added to the policy is underlined.

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2. Attached hereto as Appendix "II" is a clean copy of CenterPoint's proposed new Extension Policy (including the policy's unchanged exhibits) that will become effective on April 1, 2021 (the "Revised Policy").

3. By order dated October 7, 2014 in Docket No. 2014-UN-136, the Commission approved revisions in the Extension Policy, including, but not limited to, a new pilot program (the "Pilot Program") that facilitates expansion of gas service into rural areas by allowing CenterPoint to waive requirements for contributions in aid of construction for projects having good potential for economic feasibility. Projects involving waived CIAC exceeding \$100,000 require Commission approval. The Pilot Program is more fully described in Section VI.F. (5) of the Extension Policy.

4. Other revisions were made in the Extension Policy in Docket No. 2015-UN-131 that are unaffected by this filing.

By Order dated June 20, 2018 in Docket No. 2018-UN-20, the
Commission approved the extension of the Pilot Program from April 1, 2018 until March 31, 2021.

6. The Pilot Program has proven to be successful and in the public interest by facilitating expansion of gas service into rural areas, consequently, CenterPoint intends to make permanent the Pilot Program as of April 1, 2021. Appendix "II" sets forth this transition from the Pilot Program ending March 31, 2021 to a permanent program beginning April 1, 2021.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, CenterPoint respectfully notifies the Commission that its Revised Policy, attached hereto as Appendix "II", will become effective April 1, 2021, unless a shorter time is fixed by the Commission.

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Respectfully submitted, this the  $29^{1}$  day of January, 2021.

CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY MISSISSIPPI GAS

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#### **VERIFICATION**

#### STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

#### COUNTY OF HINDS

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, the within named, James L. Halford, who, being by me first duly sworn, on oath stated that he is one of the attorneys for CenterPoint Energy in the above-styled cause and that the matters and things set forth in the above and foregoing Notice of Filing of Routine Changes to Gas Facility Extension Policy by CenterPoint Energy are true and correct as therein stated to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

JAMES L. HALF

SWORN TO and subscribed before me this the 29day of January, 2021.

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My Commission Expires: ID No 5952 NOTARY PUBLIC ╈ Comm Expires October 28, 2022 Ds CO

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, James L. Halford, one of the attorneys for CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Mississippi Gas, in the above-styled and numbered cause certify I have this day filed the foregoing Notice of Filing of Routine Changes to Gas Facility Extension Policy by CenterPoint Energy with the Mississippi Public Service Commission by causing to be hand-delivered the original and twelve (12) copies to Katherine Collier, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Public Service Commission, Woolfolk Office Building, Suite 201A, 501 N. West Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. This the 2 m day of January, 2021.

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