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EXPERIENCE

Christina Switzer has extensive and varied experience practicing administrative law at the state and federal level. Christina started her career as an attorney at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) analyzing whether a transaction submitted under section 203 of the Federal Power Act was consistent with the public interest – the effect of the transaction on competition, rates and regulation. She participated in drafting several rulemakings, including updating electric quarterly reporting requirements required of all FERC market-based rate holders. Building on her rulemaking experience, she assisted in drafting Order No. 1000, the Commission’s landmark rule on regional and interregional transmission planning and cost allocation. In particular, Christina focused on the

competitive solicitation process and interregional coordination requirements. She worked with an interdisciplinary team leading the Order No. 1000 compliance effort to ensure its requirements were implemented consistently across all twelve regions. Through that work, Christina learned the intricacies of transmission planning processes and cost allocation rules across the various transmission planning regions.

After leaving FERC, Christina represented the public interest in litigated electric and water rate cases and applications for certificates of convenience and necessity (CCN) as an attorney with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Texas PUC). Most of her work there focused on cost-of-service ratemaking for utilities located outside of ERCOT. She also litigated a CCN application proposing a DC tie line that would connect ERCOT to Louisiana. On behalf of PUC Staff, Christina fought for, and won, conditions to ensure that ERCOT could maintain reliable service and that Texas customers would not bear any costs associated with a new merchant transmission line.

Professional Affiliations:

- Texas Bar Association
- Energy Bar Association

Education:

- Vermont Law School, Doctor of Law (J.D.), cum laude, 2005 – 2008
- Austin College. Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), History, cum laude, 2000-2004

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