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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS
BEFORE THE
TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION
AUSTIN, TEXAS

PUBLIC MEETING)
FOR THE TEXAS)
WORKFORCE COMMISSION)

COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT at 9:00 a.m. on
Tuesday, the 30th day of January, 2018, the above-entitled
matter came on for hearing at the Texas Workforce
Commission, TWC Building, 101 East 15th Street, Room 244,
Austin, Texas, before ANDRES ALCANTAR, Chairman; JULIAN
ALVAREZ and RUTH R. HUGHS, Commissioners

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P R O C E E D I N G S

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018

(9:00 a.m.)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Good morning, everyone.

This meeting is called to order. Morning Ms. Miller.

MS. MILLER: Good morning.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action

Regarding Whether to Assume Continuing Jurisdiction on

Unemployment Compensation Cases, Wage Claim Cases, and/or

Tax Liability Cases and Reconsideration of Unemployment

Compensation Cases, Wage Claim Cases, and/or Tax Liability

Cases, if any.

No Discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action

Regarding Tax Liability Cases Listed on the Texas Workforce

Commission Docket 5.

The Commission considered and took action on
all tax liability cases listed on Docket 5.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action

Regarding Fair Housing Cases listed on the Texas Workforce

Commission Docket 5.

1 No Discussion.

2 AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

3 Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action
4 Regarding Higher Level Appeals in Wage Claim Cases Listed on
5 the Texas Workforce Commission Docket 5.

6 The Commission considered and took action on
7 all wage claim cases listed on Docket 5.

8 AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

9 Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action
10 Regarding Higher Level Appeals in Unemployment Compensation
11 Cases Listed on the Texas Workforce Commission Docket 5.

12 The Commission considered and took action on
13 all unemployment compensation cases listed on Docket 5.

14 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Thank you, we will pause
15 for a moment.

16 AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

17 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Good morning, everyone.
18 We are back in session. Les, has anyone signed up for
19 public comment?

20 MR. TROBMAN: No, sir.

21 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We have no public
22 comment.

23 AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

24 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 8, Discussion,
25 Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Acceptance of

1 Pledges for Board Contract Year 2018 Child Care Matching
2 Funds. Jennifer, good morning.

3 MS. TROKE: Good morning. Good morning,
4 Chairman, Commissioners, Mr. Serna. For the record, Jen
5 Troke, Workforce Development Division. Annually, local
6 Workforce Development Boards submit local match pledges to
7 secure Federal Child Care Funds pursuant to Commission Rule
8 800.73. Boards have until January 31st to secure these
9 funds. Today, Staff request Commission acceptance of Child
10 Care Pledges for donations, transfers and certifications of
11 expenses in the amount of \$3,152,671.00.

12 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs?

13 COMM HUGHS: I move that we accept -- I move
14 that we accept the pledges for Board contract year 2018
15 Child Care Matching Funds.

16 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

17 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous. Thank
18 you, Jennifer.

19 AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

20 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 9, we have no
21 update.

22 AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

23 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 10, Discussion,
24 Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Approval of
25 Adopted Rules Under Texas Government Code, Section 201

1 Relating to Adult Education Literacy and Self-Sufficiency
2 and a number of other programs. Joel Mullins, good morning.

3 MR. MULLENS: Good morning, Chairman,
4 Commissioners, Mr. Serna. For the record, I'm Joel Mullins
5 with Workforce Development. State Agencies are required to
6 review their rules every four years, to determine if each
7 Chapter is still needed. On October 17th, 2000 -- 2017 the
8 Commission approved the proposed rule review of -- of
9 Chapters 805, 811, 835, 841, 847 and 849 for publication in
10 the Texas Register, for a thirty-day comment period, and no
11 comments were received. Staff have reviewed these rule
12 chapters and determined that each chapter is still needed
13 except for Chapter 847 Project Re-Integration of Offenders.
14 The 87nd Texas Legislature eliminated funding, for Project
15 RIO effective September 1st, 2011, and has not funded the
16 program since that time. although, TWC continues to provide
17 services to ex-offenders, the program as set forth in
18 Chapter 847 no longer exists. Staff will seek direction on
19 repealing Chapter 847 in a future rule making. In
20 accordance with the rule review requirements, Staff are
21 seeking direction on publishing a notice in the Texas
22 Register notifying the Public of the results of our review
23 of Chapters 805, 811, 835, 841, 847 and 849. And, I'll be
24 happy to answer any questions.

25 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Thank you, Kim --

1 Commissioner Hughs?

2 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we -- you said
3 Kim.

4 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs, I'm
5 sorry.

6 COMM. HUGHS: It's Okay. I'm just kidding.
7 I move that we re-adopt the rules contained in Chapters 805,
8 835, 841 and 849 without changes, and that we repeal the
9 Chapter 847 Rules that are no longer applicable of Title 40
10 of the Texas Administrative Code.

11 MR. MULLENS: Okay, and I -- I think --

12 COMM. HUGHS: Is that right, or did I miss a
13 Chapter?

14 MR. MULLENS: I think you missed 811.

15 COMM. HUGHS: Okay, and 811. Thank you.

16 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

17 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous, thank
18 you, Joel.

19 MR. MULLENS: Thank you.

20 AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

21 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Discussion, Consideration
22 of Possible Items from -- Regarding Modifications to the
23 Adult Education Literacy Allocations. Carrie Tupa, good
24 morning.

25 MS. TUPA: Good morning. Chairman,

1 Commissioners, Mr. Temple. For the record, Carrie Tupa,
2 Adult Education and Literacy. Today I seek your guidance on
3 the modifications to Adult Education and Literacy
4 allocations in accordance with Texas Workforce Commission
5 General Administration Rules 800.51, 800.78 and 800.80. In
6 PY16 and 17 in accordance with Sub-Section 800.68, the
7 Commission approved performance allocations of two percent.
8 In PY16, the Commission approved performance funding
9 Benchmark of sixty-five percent enrollment by the end of
10 Quarter 2 and in PY17 a Benchmark of thirty-three percent by
11 the end of Quarter 1.

12 The majority of our Grantees successfully met
13 these Benchmarks however, some Grantees were unable to
14 achieve either one, or both of these Benchmarks. Unearned
15 performance Benchmark allocations for these years have left
16 us with approximately \$570 thous -- \$17,000 for local
17 program use. Staff seek direction on de-application of
18 these funds in accordance and re-allocation in accordance
19 with Commission rule. Pursuant to 800.80 as no Grantees
20 meet the criteria to receive de-obligated funds within the
21 same Workforce area.

22 Staff seek direction on re-allocation of de-
23 obligated funds to distribute these funds to Grantees who
24 have met both sixty-five percent of their PY17 expenditure
25 target and are meeting current performance enrollment

1 targets at the end of November 2017. Grantees will receive
2 up to an amount based on their current proportionate share
3 of available funding with the flexibility to take less funds
4 and use up to thirty percent of these funds for capacity
5 building activities, with the rest to be used for local
6 service delivery with associated targets based on the cost
7 per student methodology originally approved by the
8 Commission on August 29th, 2017.

9 We seek direction on the De-obligation of
10 unearned performance-based funding, and re-allocation in
11 accordance with proposed methodology. And, I'll be happy to
12 answer any questions.

13 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs?

14 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we approve de-
15 obligation and re-allocate the Adult Education and Literacy
16 allocations as recommended by Staff. Also, I move that we
17 allow Staff the ability to negotiate a reduction in a
18 Grantees re-allocated funds portion, contingent on the
19 Grantee's agreement to accept re-allocated funds and
20 associated targets.

21 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll agree to that.

22 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous. Thank
23 you, Carrie.

24 MS. TUPA: Thank you.

25 AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

1 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 12 Discussion,
2 Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Recommended
3 Changes to the 2018 Maximum Affordable Payment Schedule for
4 Medical and Medical-Related Services. Carline, good
5 morning.

6 MS. GEIGER: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
7 Commissioner, and Mr. Temple. Carline Geiger for
8 Vocational Rehabilitation. Pursuant to Statute Texas Labor
9 Code 352.04540 Rates for Medical Services, and Rule Texas
10 Admin Code Title 40 part 20, Section 852.1, TWC is required
11 to annually re-evaluate rates for medical services. Since
12 2000 as established in rule, rates have been based on
13 Medicare and Medicaid for the vast majority of medical
14 services.

15 VR currently uses 2012 Medicare rates.
16 Medicare does not price Dental Services, so Legacy DARS
17 adopted Medicaid rates for Dental Services. Rate revisions
18 were last adopted by Legacy DARS in 2012. An annual review
19 of the MAP's rates was conducted in each of the following
20 years except in 2016, during which time programs were being
21 prepared to transfer to TWC or HHSC. Given the time elapse
22 since the last revisions, the MAP's Schedule needs to be
23 updated to assure alignment with current Medicare rates and
24 to help sustain availability of providers.

25 Data was reviewed using the current MAP's

1 rates and then a comparison done with the proposed rates
2 which are from the 2017 Medicare Fee Schedule. Based on
3 applying the proposed rates, it is estimated that at current
4 usage VR expenditures for medical and medical related
5 Customer Services will decrease by approximately \$400,000.
6 Staff recommends the following: Adopt the 2017 Medicare Fee
7 Schedule. Adopt the Medicare 2017 Durable Medical Equipment
8 Texas Fee Schedule for eye related medical equipment and
9 Orthotics and Prosthetics. Continue to implement the
10 Medicare Part B Fee Schedule for injectable drugs and
11 equipment. Continue to use the Medicare Clinical Laboratory
12 and Pathology rates for Texas at 120% of the listed rate to
13 ensure adequate provider availability. Continue to use
14 Medicaid Dental Service rates for Texas at one-hundred
15 twenty percent of the listed rate, as Medicare does not
16 price Dental Services. And, continue existing rates and
17 rate setting methodologies for all unspecified procedures
18 and services not listed in the Medicare or Medicaid rate
19 schedules.

20 These recommendations will result in changes
21 to most of the existing rates for Medical and Medical
22 related services, because of changes in the corresponding
23 cost-based schedules. If the Commission approves these
24 schedules and methodologies, the next step is to pr -- is to
25 provide notice to interested parties to seek feedback prior

1 to seeking approval for final adoption. Do you have any
2 questions?

3 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs?

4 COMM. HUGHS: I know that we approve the
5 discussed Staff recommendations regarding the Schedules and
6 methodologies to MAP's for Medical and Medical related
7 services, and I move the recommendation be posted for Public
8 comment prior to final adoption.

9 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

10 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous.

11 AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

12 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Sk -- Item 13 Discussion,
13 Consideration and Possible Acts Regarding Recommended
14 Changes to Vocational Rehab Standards for Providers, Travel
15 Premiums.

16 MS. GEIGER: I am bringing for your
17 consideration and approval proposed changes to Standards for
18 Providers Manual, Chapter 20.6 on Travel Premiums.
19 Maintaining a pool of Contract Providers delivering highly
20 specialized training in the areas of Diabetes Education,
21 Orientation and Mobility, Independent Living Skills,
22 Assistive Technology and Evaluation Services and
23 Comprehensive Vo -- Vocational Evaluation Systems, is
24 critical to service delivery for VR Customers with blindness
25 and visual impairments. Prior to combining the two DSU's,

1 post-contract providers delivering highly specialized
2 training were reimbursed for lodging and per diem at the
3 actual cost and were reimbursed for mileage at .60 cents per
4 mile.

5 Data reflects that reimbursements were
6 necessary because these Providers travelled to other areas
7 based on lack of available Providers close to -- closer to
8 the Customers location. In the new Combined Standards for
9 Providers Manual, VR applied a consistent travel premium
10 standard to all Providers delivering services, if those
11 Providers met the criteria for that reimbursement. The
12 travel premium no longer includes reimbursement for lodging,
13 per diem, airfare and other means of transportation. VR has
14 received feedback that the current standards provide
15 insufficient cost coverage for those Providers previously
16 mentioned that serve VR Customers with blindness and visual
17 impairments.

18 While VR can ensure adequate Statewide
19 coverage for most Service Providers under the current Travel
20 Premium Policy, that is not the case for those specialized
21 Contractors. An analysis of data confirms that paying a
22 travel premium that reimburses expenses at the State rate
23 would be reasonable for that small group of Providers who
24 travel the state to provide training in highly specialized
25 areas. Without the ability to do so, several of those

1 Providers have reported that they will not be able to travel
2 the State to serve Customers.

3 We recommend the following revisions to the
4 Standards for Providers Manual: Allow payment of lodging and
5 per diem at the State rate only for the Contracted Providers
6 travelling out of the area to deliver Diabetes Education,
7 orientation and mobility, independent living skills,
8 assistive technology and comprehensive vocational evaluation
9 systems. This would be called a Travel for Highly
10 Specialized Training Premium and could include reimbursement
11 for airfare and other means of transportation, as necessary
12 based on distance and accommodation needs. These
13 reimbursements would only be allowed when there is not an
14 in-area Provider who has the skills to provide this
15 training. In-area is within 50 miles of where the training
16 will be conducted. And, to ensure consistency in the
17 application of the travel premium for mileage, revise the
18 standards for providers manual to allow mileage
19 reimbursement at the State rate for all Contracted Providers
20 delivering previously identified services to VR Customers.

21 This mileage reimbursement under the travel
22 premium may be paid only when the Provider is travelling in
23 their own vehicle and when the total mileage exceeds 100
24 miles round trip. And, when staff has documented that there
25 is not an available in-area Provider. Are there any

1 questions?

2 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioners, do we
3 have any questions? Commissioner Hughs?

4 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we approve the
5 discussed Staff recommended changes to Vocational
6 Rehabilitation Standards for Providers, Chapter 28.6 Travel
7 Premiums.

8 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

9 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous, thank
10 you.

11 MS. GEIGER: Thank you.

12 AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

13 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 14, Discussion,
14 Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Publication for
15 Public Comment Proposed Rules Regarding Changes to the Align
16 Civil Rights Division Rules with Federal Housing Regulations
17 and THC Procedures. Lowell, good morning.

18 MR. KEIG: Good morning. Lowell Keig,
19 Director of the Civil Rights Division. On January 17, 2018,
20 The Commission approved a policy concept regarding
21 Amendments to Chapter 819, The Civil Rights Rules. The
22 policy concept was posted the Commissions Website for a
23 Board comment period and was discussed on a biweekly
24 conference call with the Board Executive Directors. No
25 comments were received. For your consideration, we are

1 proposing the following amendments to Chapter 819, The Civil
2 Rights Rules.

3 The proposed rules include amendments to
4 align our rules with Regulations of the U.S. Department of
5 Housing and Urban Development. We propose an amendment to
6 Section 819.122a for alignment with HUD's Regulation at 24
7 CFR, Section 100.302. To clarify that the first familial
8 status exemption only applies to Federal or State programs
9 that the HUD Secretary determines are specifically designed
10 and operated to assist elderly persons. We are also
11 proposing amendment to section 819.136 for alignment with
12 HUD's Regulations at 24 CFR, Sections 100.400, and 100.600,
13 which codified Case Law to make it unlawful to retaliate
14 against a person who reports a discriminatory housing
15 practice to a housing provider or other authority and to
16 harass a person because of race, color, sex familial status,
17 national origin or disability.

18 And familial, yeah, I may have missed one
19 there. what did I miss? Anyway, of the seven protected
20 classes.

21 COMM. HUGHS: National origin maybe?

22 MR. KEIG: In addition, we are proposing to
23 update Sub-Chapter K relating to Fair Housing Administrative
24 Hearings and Judicial Review to align the rules with
25 amendments to The Administrative Procedure Act as set forth

1 in Senate Bill 1446, that was enacted by the AD Fits Testis
2 -- Texas Legislature from the regular session in 2017.
3 Finally, we are proposing minor revisions to clarify, update
4 or make technical amendments. We are seeking your approval
5 today of the proposed amendments for publication in the
6 Texas Register, for posting with a thirty-day public comment
7 period. We are also requesting Staff be allowed to make any
8 technical, non-substantive corrections necessary for the
9 posting. I'll be happy to answer any questions you may have
10 at this time.

11 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs?

12 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we approve the
13 proposed rules as recommended relating to Chapter 819 to be
14 published in the Texas Register, for public comment.

15 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

16 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous. Thank
17 you, Lowell.

18 MR. KEIG: Thank you.

19 AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

20 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 15, Discussion,
21 Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Guidance on
22 Utilization Strategies for Resources for Hurricane Harvey.
23 Good morning, Jennifer.

24 MS. TROKE: Good morning, again. For the
25 record, Jennifer Troke, Workforce Development Division. For

1 your consideration today as a discussion paper on Hurricane
2 Harvey Funds from the US Department of Labor's Office of
3 Disability Employment Policy, or ODEP, and the Women's
4 Bureau. The Department of Labor awarded \$30,000,000 in
5 Disaster Dislocated Worker Grant Funds to expedite disaster
6 relief services, plus an additional \$1,550,000 from the
7 Women's Bureau and ODEP, through cooperative agreements.
8 The funds were designed to provide help for individuals with
9 disabilities, as well as women and their dependent children
10 regain stable living status, access to mainstream relief and
11 recovery services, access to workforce development services
12 and supportive services, to help reconnect individuals
13 within employment. These funds were flexible and can
14 provide support for a variety of expenses; from
15 transportation, medical equipment, child care and basic need
16 provision. For these resources we work with impacted
17 Boards, and our voc -- vocational rehabilitation colleagues,
18 ah, to develop input implementation plans that leverage
19 these resources for our Harvey impacted Customers.

20 Two Boards applied for the Women's Bureau
21 Funding, including Coastal Bend for \$100,000, and Gulf Coast
22 for \$200,000. Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend will
23 partner with local disaster recovery groups, the Women's
24 Shelter of South Texas, Corpus Christi Metro Ministries and
25 the Salvation Army, to identify women and their dependent

1 children who have been impacted by Hurricane Harvey, and
2 connect them with Workforce Career Center services, and
3 supportive services. Workforce Solutions of Gulf Coast, in
4 partnership with United Way, will develop a Women in
5 Construction Project to assist TD Industries in recruiting
6 and hiring women for apprenticeship positions as sheet metal
7 workers, and pipe fitters in construction facility
8 management and maintenance at the Texas Medical Center. The
9 funds will provide financial aid to participants for Child
10 Care transportation, and possible housing needs. TWC's
11 Vocational Real a -- Rehabilitation Division will use the
12 1.25 million in ODEP Funds to provide services to current
13 and new Customers with disabilities that were impacted by
14 Harvey. Funds will be used to assist Customers with VR
15 Services needed to recover from the disaster, to achieve
16 their employment goals, and in compliance with existing VR
17 Policies and Procedures. Today Staff seeks the Commission
18 guidance on: One, approval of projects to Coastal Bend and
19 Gulf Coast to expend the Women's Bureau Resources, totally
20 \$300,000. Two, approval of TWC's Vocational Rehabilitation
21 Division to expend the ODET Resources totally 1.25 million
22 dollars.

23 This concludes my presentation. Do you have
24 any questions I might answer?

25 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs?

1 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we approve the
2 U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau Funded Projects for
3 Coastal Bend and Gulf Coast, totaling \$300,000. I also move
4 that we approve -- allow TWC's Vocational Rehabilitation
5 Division to expend the US Department of Labor Office of
6 Disability Employment Policy Funds of 1.25 million as
7 discussed and recommended by Staff.

8 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

9 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous. Thank
10 you, Jennifer.

11 AGENDA ITEM NO. 16

12 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Discussion, Consideration
13 and Possible Action Regarding Approval of Local Board
14 Nominees. Good morning, Cam.

15 MR. BELL: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
16 Commissioners, Mr. Temple. Cameron Bell, Workforce
17 Development Division. before you, for your consideration
18 and approval are Workforce Development Board Nominations,
19 for Workforce Solutions, Cameron County, Capital Area, Deep
20 East Texas, Gulf Coast, Middle Rio Grande, and Permian
21 Basin.

22 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Commissioner Hughs?

23 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we approve local
24 Workforce Development Board Nominees for Cameron County,
25 Capital Area, Deep East Texas, Gulf Coast, Middle Rio Grande

1 and Permian Basin.

2 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

3 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: We are unanimous. Thank
4 you, Cameron.

5 AGENDA ITEM NO. 17

6 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 17 -- oh -- Item 17,
7 Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action Regarding
8 State or Federal Legislation. Michael Britt.

9 MR. BRITT: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
10 Commissioners. For the record, Michael Britt, Governmental
11 Relations. this evening at 8:00 pm. Central, President
12 Trump will deliver his Annual State of the Union Address.
13 Coming up this week and next, Congress will be working on
14 Legislation that will fund the Government beyond next
15 Thursday February the 8th. At this time, it's -- it's not
16 clear if Congress will seek to pass another continuing
17 resolution or a longer-term spending measure. Congress is
18 also considering adding a Supplemental Disaster
19 Appropriations to the funding measure that they move next
20 week. And, we will of course keep you informed as that
21 Legislation is filed and moves through the process.

22 Also, this morning here in Texas, GR's mon --
23 monitoring the Senate Finance Committee Hearing at 10. The
24 Committee will be receiving testimony regarding Hurricane
25 Harvey Relief and Recovery. Will also be considering

1 several interim charges including the Committee's Interim
2 charge to examine Request to Exceed. That concludes my
3 remarks. I will be happy to answer any questions you have.

4 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Any questions?

5 COMM. HUGHS: No, thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Thank you, Michael.

7 AGENDA ITEM NO. 18

8 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: Item 18 Report and Update
9 by the Executive Director. Larry, what do you have for us
10 this morning?

11 MR. TEMPLE: Commissioners, we have, the
12 Board Chairs from (indiscernible) Alamo, Capital Area,
13 Central Texas, Gulf Coast, Middle Rio and West Central, that
14 are here to share, the strategy which, their areas are
15 currently are, proposing, to deliver their services. we
16 have room 151 available, for this, part of the Commission
17 Meeting.

18 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: All right, thank you,
19 Larry. okay, let's go ahead and recess and reconvene in
20 Room -- Room 151 to accommodate these presentations. Can I
21 have a Motion?

22 COMM. HUGHS: I move that we recess the
23 Meeting and reconvene at 9:50 in Room 151.

24 COMM. ALVAREZ: I'll second that.

25 CHAIRMAN ALCANTAR: And, we're all in

1 agreement. Thank you.

2 (Proceedings concluded at 9:44 a.m.)

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I, Kimberly C. McCright, Certified Vendor and Notary in and for the State of Texas, do hereby certify that the above-mentioned matter occurred as hereinbefore set out.

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