Sierra Blanca Board of Trustees Recognized for Prioritizing Student Achievement

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By Lacy Lutz

HUDSPETH COUNTY, Texas, a Canutillo man died over the weekend in a wreck

Number of Vehicles in Crash: 1
Number killed: 1
Date & Time: 02/23/2019 6:40 A.M.
Location: U.S. Highway 62 / 180, 13 miles North of Dell City
Posted Speed Limit: 75 mph
Vehicle 1: 1997, Ford F-150 pickup truck
Driver 1: Deceased
Lopez, Armando Ruben, 24 years of age, of Canutillo, TX
Pronounced by: Justice of the Peace, Davi Rae Gardner, PCT. 2
Seatbelt: NO

Details:
Preliminary Investigation shows that Vehicle 1 was traveling east on U.S. 62. Vehicle 1 left the roadway traveling north. The vehicle overcorrected traveling back south in a side skid across the roadway. Vehicle 1 exited the road to the south and overturned. Armando Ruben Lopez, was ejected from the vehicle and was discovered deceased.

By Texas Department of Public Safety

Photograph was provided by Lacy Lutz

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AVISO SOBRE LA SOLICITUD DE CAMBIO DE TARIFAS

El Paso Electric Company (EPE o la Compañía) publica este aviso para informar que el 25 de enero del 2019 presentó su Declaración de Intención y Solicitud para la Aprobación de un Factor de Recuperación de Costos de Transmisión (TCRF por sus siglas en inglés) ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUCT o la Comisión) en el expediente denominado Docket No. 49148. La solicitud se hizo en conformidad con la Ley Reguladora de Servicios Públicos (PURA por sus siglas en inglés) § 36.209 y el Código Admin. de Tex. (TAC) § 25.239. El factor TCRF recuperará los costos razonables y necesarios incurridos por EPE en mejoras a la infraestructura de transmisión, así como cambios en los cargos de transmisión al por mayor bajo una tarifa aprobada por la Comisión Federal Reguladora de Energía (FERC) en la medida que los costos o cargos no hayan sido recuperados de alguna otra manera. En esta solicitud, EPE busca recuperar el capital que ha invertido en transmisión desde el 1 de octubre del 2016 hasta el 30 de septiembre del 2018. EPE también busca recuperar cargos de transmisión que no están siendo recuperados de alguna otra manera mediante las tarifas actuales. Adicionalmente, EPE pide que la Comisión apruebe un valor de base revisado para el factor TCRF.

Este aviso está siendo publicado de conformidad con la ley PURA § 36.103 y el Código 16 TAC § 22.51(a)(l).

NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST

El Paso Electric Company (EPE or Company) publishes this notice that on January 25, 2019, it filed its Statement of Intent and Application for Approval of Transmission Cost Recovery Factor (TCRF) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT or Commission) in Docket No. 49148. The filing was made in accordance with the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) § 36.209 and the 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) § 25.239. The TCRF will recover EPE's reasonable and necessary costs for transmission infrastructure improvements as well as changes in wholesale transmission charges under a tariff approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to the extent that the costs or charges have not otherwise been recovered. In this application, EPE seeks to recover its transmission capital investments from October 1, 2016, through September 30, 2018. EPE also seeks to recover through the TCRF approved transmission charges that are not otherwise being recovered through current rates. In addition, EPE ask that the Commission approve a revised TCRF baseline.

This notice is being published in accordance with PURA § 36.103 and 16 TAC § 22.51(a)(l).

DECLARACIÓN DE INTENCIONES PARA EL CAMBIO DE TARIFAS

EPE solicita que la Comisión apruebe un factor TCRF que produciría un incremento en el requisito de ingresos al por menor de $8,156,570 al año por encima de la cantidad aprobada en el último caso tarifario base de EPE, expediente denominado Docket No. 46831 (según fue reducido para reflejar la reducción en impuestos sobre la renta federales derivados de la ley de reforma fiscal Tax Cut and Jobs Act de 2017). Esto equivale a un incremento del 17 por ciento. EPE propone que el cambio de tarifa solicitado entre en vigencia 35 días después de haber presentado la Declaración de Intenciones y Solicitud. La fecha propuesta para su entrada en vigor está sujeta a suspensión y prórroga de acciones que la Comisión puede tomar.

Este cambio afectará a todos los clientes en Texas de EPE en las clases de tarifas al por menor. El impacto del cambio tarifario en las diversas clases de clientes variará del impacto general descrito en este aviso.

STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE RATES

EPE requests that the Commission approve a TCRF that would result in an increase in EPE's Texas retail revenue requirement of $8,156,570 per annum above the amount approved in EPE's last base rate case, Docket No. 46831 (as reduced to reflect the reduction in federal income taxes resulting from the Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017). This amounts to a 17 percent increase. EPE proposes that its requested rate change become effective 35 days after the filing of the Statement of Intent and Application. The proposed effective date is subject to suspension and extension by actions that may be taken by the Commission.

All customers in EPE's Texas retail rate classes will be affected by this change. The impact of the rate change on various customer classes will vary from the overall impact described in this notice.
CONTACT INFORMATION

Persons with questions or who want more information on EPE’s Statement of Intent and Application may contact EPE at 100 N. Stanton, El Paso, Texas 79901 or call toll-free at (800) 351-1621 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the Statement of Intent and Application and related filings is available for inspection at the address listed in the previous sentence.

The Commission has assigned Docket No. 491484 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. A request for intervention or for further information should refer to Docket No. 49148. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, motions to intervene will be due 45 days from the date EPE filed its Statement of Intent and Application with the Commission.

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We met at Fort Devens, Massachusetts where we learned how to copy Morse code. We were in the Army Security Agency and Fort Devens was where all facets of Army Intelligence were taught. We laughed a lot. Our barracks bunks were next to each other and we developed a strong friendship. We arrived there at Thanksgiving and during Christmas leave I acquired a car and took it back to the northeast. We went everywhere in New England and had all kinds of adventures. We saw the Celtics play basketball, the Red Sox play baseball and we heard the Boston Pops. We went skiing at Mount Monadnock in New Hampshire. We'd gather a bunch of fellow soldiers and head out for some type of excitement.

I had also brought a portable record player back with me and we spent hours in the barracks listening to the Everly Brothers and Dakota Staton.

One of our popular hangouts was Storyville, a jazz club in the Copley Hotel in Boston. Across the street was another place called The Showbar. Drinks were cheaper there and after Storyville we strolled across the street for a few 85-cent whiskey sours. One time we decided to spend the night in Boston. When we woke up the next morning Manny looked out the window and said, “That’s a heck of a place to build a building.” I asked him where. “Right under that pigeon,” he said.

I did well in code school and the people in charge wanted me to stay and teach, but with the opportunity to be stationed anywhere in the world I declined the offer. I chose Europe. Manny chose Okinawa. The last night at Devens, most of our barracks went to a restaurant called Bull Run and we had a farewell party. Manny and I both were looking forward to going overseas, but knew we would miss each other. I have never met another person who thinks exactly as I do, laughs at the same things I do and has the same enthusiasm about life as I do. I know what true friendship is.

After the Army, Manny joined the CIA. He and his wife Judy had 3 kids, all born on different continents. Manny and I and our wives have been together many times in different parts of the country. Our most recent trip was to North Dakota and Wyoming. Occasionally Manny and I would take our kids and/or grandkids to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in Northern Minnesota for a camping and fishing trip. One winter I traveled to Minnesota to experience 50 degrees below zero weather. We spent the night on Lake Mille Lacs in a fishing house. I had never before seen a frozen lake with roads, cars, bulldozers and dozens of little houses on it. Manny and Judy have been in our home many times and Susan and I have been to their home in Minnesota.

Manny left the CIA and worked in a bank for a while, then became a writer and broadcaster. We keep in touch with each other by sending cassette tapes back and forth. We’ve done this for more than 30 years. Both of us keep those tapes, which contain our thoughts, jokes, adventures, and observations and chronicle our very lives. They are strong symbols of our ties to each other. Meaningful long-time friendships are so rare and I treasure mine with my buddy Jim Mans.
Lubbock Lake Landmark: A One-of-a-Kind “Archive” of Life on the Llano Estacado

Archeologists have found the remains of Ice Age creatures – mammoths, short-faced bear and more – at Lubbock Lake Landmark. Built to scale, sculptures around the landmark’s interpretive center highlight these vanished animals.

It was WPA site 17 dash 1. In 1936, federal works crews were using heavy equipment – the likes of which had never been seen in West Texas – to try to rejuvenate springs in Yellow House Draw, at the north end of Lubbock. The spectacle drew onlookers, including local high schoolers Clark and Turner Kimmel.

In the debris, the Kimmels saw something unusual – strange animal bones, and a stone tool. Wisely, they sought professional advice.

Dr. William Curry Holden, director of the West Texas Museum, recognized what they’d found: a Folsom spearpoint, at least 10,000 years old.

So began a process of discovery that continues today. Native Americans visited this prairie oasis for 12,000 years. Owned by Texas Tech University, the Lubbock Lake Landmark preserves a one-of-a-kind record of life on the plains.

Spanish explorers called it La Punta de Agua, “the Point of Water.” George and Rachel Singer built a store beside its spring-fed lake in the 1880s – and launched the community of Lubbock. In the Ice Age, the draw flowed, part of the Brazos River system. Later, it was a freshwater marsh, then an alkaline marsh. Until irrigation lowered the Ogallala Aquifer, this stretch of Yellow House Draw always had water.

And it was a destination for hundreds of generations of Native peoples.

Dr. Eileen Johnson has been the landmark’s director since 1972.

“So all the products of the grasslands, from the plants to the animals, were here, with the water,” Johnson said. “Bison were here. You had basically everything that you needed to survive. I tell people, since people came into the New World, there was like this big sign saying, ‘Head to Lubbock!’ Even in hard times, this was the place to live.”

For the earliest people, there were mammoth, horse and camel to hunt – and short-faced bear and saber-toothed cat to avoid. Later hunters pursued bison and pronghorn. For 12,000 years, nomadic peoples butchered and cooked their kills here, camped and fashioned tools.

The teeth and skeletal remains of bison reveal the age at which they were killed. They show that people spent sum-
Congratulations to the following Mustangs for their Basketball District 6-AA Awards:

Mariela Jimenez (Sr.) - 1st Team All-District
Josh Hernandez (Jr.) - District MVP
Jorge Saldana (Fr.) - 2nd Team All-District
Jesus Ortega (Fr.) - 2nd Team All-District
Julissa Herrera (Fr.) - 2nd Team All-District
Ernesto Ortega (Sr.) - 1st Team All-District
Ms. Sandra Alaniz is in her second year of teaching Pre-K and Kindergarten at the Sierra Blanca School.

Ms. Alaniz earned her degree in Education from UTEP in 2014. While working to earn her degree, Ms. Alaniz volunteered, tutored, and was a substitute teacher in Ysleta. Upon her graduation, Ms. Alaniz began working at Headstart. When a position became available in Sierra Blanca, she was excited to join the Vaquero team!

Ms. Alaniz strives to create a positive learning environment, where students value themselves and build their self-esteem, while gaining a passion for education. She said, “I want students be prepared for the next step in their academics; to have the skills to succeed in the next grade level, but also have a desire to continue their education after high school.” Ms. Alaniz hopes to instill a love of learning in her young students!

Ms. Alaniz enjoys spending time with her 2 sons. She can often be found in the stands, supporting the Junior High Vaqueros and cheering for her son Andrew. When she’s not at school, she enjoys doing puzzles and walking her dog.

Congratulations to Max Gonzalez, Vaquero Student of the Week! Max shows a great interest in learning. He is attentive, focused, and consistently makes an excellent effort to complete his tasks. Max’s grades reflect that effort!
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The Hudspeth County Commissioner’s Court is saddened to hear of the upcoming resignation of Justice of the Peace, PCT 4 Davi Gardner.

Anyone wishing to assume the position needs to submit a letter of interest and application to the Hudspeth County Judge’s Office or by mail to: PO BOX 68 Sierra Blanca, TX 79851 by 5 PM on March 11, 2019.

All applicants must be present at the Commissioner’s Court on March 12, 2019 at 9 AM.

Applicants must be registered voters and reside in Precinct 4.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be a public hearing and a discussion period at the Hudspeth County Emergency Services District #2 meeting of March 13th, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at the Sierra Blanca Volunteer Fire Department, 124 E. El Paso Street, Sierra Blanca, Texas, in order to take public comment concerning the Hudspeth County Emergency Services District #2 dba Dell Valley EMS upcoming application for a variance to operate its ambulance.

Notice is hereby given that the Hudspeth County Emergency Services District #2 will request a variance from the Texas Department of State Health Services to operate their EMS service while not in compliance with the law. The variance if approved would allow the Hudspeth County Emergency Services District #2 to operate their emergency vehicles without meeting the minimum staffing requirement of at least two certified Emergency Care Attendants.

The public is encouraged and invited to attend in order to ask any questions or make any comments concerning the foregoing variance renewal request.
Treat Your Teeth Well!

Do you know how to take good care of your teeth? Regular visits to your dentist and daily care will help your teeth last a lifetime! Sometimes you might get tired of brushing or want to "take a vacation" from flossing. But, keeping your teeth clean, healthy and shining brightly is an everyday responsibility.

Remember to:
1. brush before breakfast and before bed
2. go to your dentist for regular cleanings
3. try not to eat too many sugary or sticky foods
4. use a fluoride toothpaste
5. use a tongue scraper
6. floss daily
7. use a mouthwash after brushing
8. brush your teeth twice a day
9. go to the dentist at least twice a year
10. brush your teeth at least twice a day
11. use a toothbrush that is soft
12. use a toothbrush that is hard

By the way, those guys down there are the plaque pests. STICKY and DULL. They will be all over your teeth if you do not brush!

Words of Wisdom!

A balanced diet will help you to keep smiling. Remember that foods from the dairy group give you calcium to strengthen your teeth and bones. Try not to eat snacks and foods that are too sticky or that have "hidden" sugars in them.
Shop for:
- fresh fruit
- veggies
- rice cakes
- soup
- cheese cubes

Cut Your Teeth on These Sayings!

Can you match each one to its meaning?

- by the skin of your teeth
- set your teeth on edge
- lie through your teeth
- sink your teeth into
- armed to the teeth
- as scarce as hen's teeth
- like pulling teeth
- long in the tooth
- by the skin of your teeth
- sweet tooth
- tooth and nail
- tooth and nail

- have a weakness for candy and other sweets
- have many weapons
- just barely get by
- fight violently
- very old

Check out my pearly whites!

Teeth? What teeth? We don’t have any teeth.

Is that because we don’t brush and floss?

A Tooth Tale

He lost a tooth that had been loose.
In the morning he woke up excited.
Once upon a time a little boy bit into an apple.
His brothers and sisters told him to put it under his pillow.
He looked under his pillow to find a note.
Also, near his pillow was a new toothbrush.

Do you know what kind of fairy you can find in our story traded surprises for a lost "baby" tooth?

Cut out the panels below. Study each one. Next, put them in the correct order to tell a tale about a boy’s first lost tooth.

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Fun! 

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ACROSS
1. Trunk extension
2. Giant bird of “One Thousand and One Nights”
3. *Fill-in-the-blanks
4. Make work
5. Puffed up
6. Effects
7. Mont Blanc, e.g.
8. Oddball’s attempt?
9. Tropical tuber
10. *Penultimate NCAA round
11. Like cornflakes leftovers
12. Slavic version of John
13. Twelve’s opponent
14. Ice, dark, and middle
15. Forearm bone
16. Slovenly abode
17. Type of molding
18. Raptured
19. Lacking sense
20. Mirths
21. Similar to sextant
22. Tiny leftovers
23. Ruptured
24. Card of thanks
25. Couple
26. Spirit of the Declaration
27. Husband
28. Malt
29. Supporters
30. Creator of the Declaration
31. Мир
32. Peaceably
33. *Twelve’s opponent
34. Abraham Lincoln bill, slangily
35. Abraham Lincoln bill, seriously
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1. Falls behind
2. Archipelago unit
3. Square one?
4. Good-for-nothing
5. Nobel Prize winner Curie
6. Bug
7. High school student
8. Rumpelstiltskin’s weaver
9. Green-eyed monster
10. Tie ___
11. Rule against, as President can
12. Prod
13. Pro

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答: A is a shadow of a seagull, B is a chicken, C is a duck, and D is a rooster.
So, the answer is D.
Answers to Crossword from page 10

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Church service listing for Hudspeth County

SIERRA BLANCA

Sierra Blanca United Methodist Church
Worship:
Sundays at 11:15 a.m.
Ranch to Market Road 1111
Sierra Blanca, TX 79851
Phone: (915) 283-2181

Our Lady of Miracles Mission
Mass: Sundays at 10:30 a.m.
556 East Cavender Street
Sierra Blanca, TX 79851
Phone: (432) 283-2042

DELL CITY

Dell City Baptist Church
Worship:
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
104-108 W 2nd Street
Dell City, TX 79837
Phone: (432) 940-6183

FORT HANCOCK

St. Teresa
Mass: Sundays at 12:00 p.m.
1042 North Knox
Fort Hancock, TX 79839
Phone: (915) 769-3771

Mount of Olives
Mass: Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
625 S. Knox Ave
Fort Hancock, TX 79839
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Sonido Del Pasado

Sounds Of The Past

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Recently enjoyed was taking the ‘85 Toyota Supra to reconnect with Big Bend’s stunning wilderness and see the blue bonnets with Alicia along TX FM 170. They were more abundant in all their Texas State flower glory than in my 16 years here. Later we enjoyed an excellent dinner at the Starlight Theatre in Terlinqua.

February marked the 16th anniversary of finding Alpiner-Big Bend during my first RV travel season. The people were a major factor, but I fell hard for the region at the Madera Canyon Overlook west of the Lajitas Resort. Here, the narrow road drops out of the mountains. As wide as my thumb at arm’s length; the humidity contained by the canyon walls produced a primordial mist tingling the valley floor’s vegetation lush green on each side of the meandering Rio Grande. I’d never seen anything like that in my 55 northeast years.

West Texas wilderness will beckon again if experienced once. There’s a treasure chest of magnificent enough to open the senses and spirit along the border. Not to be ignored is the Davis Mountains Scenic Loop about 100 miles north.

A lot of people still believe that he is the one who can take Trump out,” said Yvette Simpson, chief executive of the political group Democracy for America. The question now, she said, is “how does he distinguish himself in that bigger field?”

Republicans have seized on Mr. Sanders’s entrance, eager to ascribe the socialist label to all Democrats. Soon after his announcement, the Trump re-election campaign issued a statement denouncing “every” Democratic candidate for “embracing his brand of socialism.” The president said pointedly that Mr. Sanders “missed his time.”

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Asked what would be different in 2020, Mr. Sanders replied bluntly: “We’re going to win,” “bottom line,” he said, “it is absolutely imperative that Donald Trump be defeated.”

(Article was edited in length) By Sydney Ember

Senator Bernie Sanders, the Vermont independent and 2016 Democratic primary runner-up whose populist agenda has helped push the party to the left, embarked on Tuesday on a second run for president, in a bid that will test whether he retains his anti-establishment appeal or loses ground to newer faces who have adopted many of his ideas.

A professed democratic socialist whose calls for “Medicare for all,” a $15 minimum wage and tuition-free public colleges have become pillars of the party’s left wing, Mr. Sanders joins the race at a time when Republicans are trying to define the Democratic field and its ideas as out of the political mainstream. In Mr. Sanders, who has not joined the Democratic Party, Republicans have an easy target to try to make the face of the opposition.

But Mr. Sanders, 77, starts with stronger support from small-dollar donors and liberal voters than most other candidates. And he is among the best-known Democrats in a crowded field, as well as one of the most outspoken against President Trump, whom he has repeatedly called a “pathological liar” and a “racist.”

“During our 2016 campaign, when we brought forth our progressive agenda, we were told that our ideas were ‘radical’ and ‘extreme,’” Mr. Sanders said on Tuesday in an email to supporters. “Three years have come and gone. And, as result of millions of Americans standing up and fighting back, all of these policies and more are now supported by a majority of Americans.”

Whether Mr. Sanders can break through in a crowded field of diverse candidates, many of whom champion the progressive message he made popular, could go a long way in determining the direction of the Democratic Party in the age of Trump.

A South County run does Ishmael’s justice for those of us having a need to reconnect and balance.

by Rev. Barry Abraham Zavah
Alpine, TX