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Texas Commission Selects Plan to Deliver Wind Power from Competitive Renewable Energy Zones

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The Texas Public Utility Commission (PUCT) recently <u>selected</u> one of the four transmission scenarios that the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) <u>proposed</u> for bringing a total of 18,456 MW of wind power from West Texas and the Texas Panhandle. The approved plan will deliver slightly more power and is more costly than the plan ERCOT initially recommended to the PUCT. It is expected that the new transmission facilities will cost Texas ratepayers \$4.93 billion, and will take between four and five years to construct.

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