

## THE STATE OF TEXAS

## GOVERNOR

Greetings: Know ye that this certificate recognizes the groundbreaking ceremony of the

## **Entergy Texas** Orange County Advanced Power Station

At the twilight of the nineteenth century, mankind discovered practical means of harnessing the power of electricity, and shortly thereafter, the luminary Harvey Couch sought to modernize the Deep South by developing the region's electric infrastructure. In subsequent generations, his company has powered homes, schools, hospitals, and businesses on an extraordinary scale, and Entergy's work is as important today as ever.

In recent years, natural and manmade disasters of every variety have poignantly illuminated the central role that power infrastructure plays in modern life. Disruptions to the power supply can exact an enormous human toll, and consequently, the State of Texas—in collaboration with various public and private stakeholders—has exerted serious, sustained effort to bolster the reliability, resilience, and sustainability of our electric infrastructure. This facility stands as a tremendous means to this end, and I know that it will be an uplifting force in the Gulf Coast region and beyond. In due course, the Orange County Advanced Power Station will provide dependable power to nearly a quarter million Texans, and it will serve as an economic catalyst for years to come. The station, moreover, diversifies our modes of power generation and therefore represents a significant step toward the Texas of tomorrow.

For more than a century, the company, in its various iterations, has cemented a reputation of excellence and dependability, and these values will no doubt enable you to press onward to an even brighter tomorrow. This groundbreaking ceremony signals an exciting new chapter for Entergy, for its customers, and for the entire Lone Star State.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in extending best wishes.



In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at the City of Austin this the 24th day of April, 2023.

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Greg Abbott Governor of Texas