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TEPRI RELEASES TEXAS LOW-INCOME COMMUNITY PROFILE (LICP) REPORT

AUSTIN, TEXAS – The Texas Energy Poverty Research Institute (TEPRI) has announced the release of the first report in the Texas Low-Income Community Profile (LICP) Series. TEPRI developed the Texas LICP Series in collaboration with the Lyndon B. Johnson (LBJ) School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin and the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF). The series is designed to reveal insights at the intersection of energy and poverty to advance lasting energy solutions for low-income communities.

Co-authored by TEPRI Executive Director Dana Harmon and TEPRI Research Fellow Jacquie Moss, the Texas Overview Report is the first in the LICP series. The report is a state-level summary of Texas low-income communities and their relationships to energy.

Harmon says of the publication:

"The Texas Overview Report provides a meaningful exploration into the energy experiences of low-income Texans. We're continuing to learn that energy poverty is complex and driven by many interrelated factors including housing, socio-demographics, and household economics. The more we can understand about this interplay, the better equipped we are to design solutions that have a greater impact. We're proud to release this report and we look forward to sharing further investigation of these concepts in parts two and three of the series."

Part two of the series will include regional reports that allow for a higher resolution exploration into demographics, economic hardships, housing, energy behaviors, and quality of life for each study region. Part three of the series will be a geospatial tool that provides an interactive visualization of the LICP survey data through geospatial interface and data downloads. It will allow for specific insight into different locations and service territories.

You can download the report at www.txenergypoverty.org/publications.

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About TEPRI:

The Texas Energy Poverty Research Institute (TEPRI) is a collaboration of poverty and energy stakeholders working to inspire lasting energy solutions for low-income populations across Texas. Our efforts support leaders to advance economic opportunity and build healthier communities for all through energy. We work with teams of experts from inside and outside the energy sector to conduct research, build evidence, create tools for practitioners, and partner with local jurisdictions to pilot and test new policies and practices that can scale through effective networks.

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