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3	AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LITTLE ROCK, ARK., ORDINANCE NO.		
4	11,366 (MARCH 4, 1963) TO PROVIDE FOR LEVYING A FRANCHISE		
5	FEE TO BE PAID BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY ARKLA; TO PROVIDE		
6	FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.		
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8	WHEREAS, CenterPoint Energy ARKLA ("the Gas Company") is authorized by franchise ordinance		
9	to operate a gas distribution system and appurtenances thereto, used in or incident to the rendition of gas		
10	service to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas ("the City") and the inhabitants residing therein; and		
11	WHEREAS, the Gas Company is now and will be occupying the streets, alleys and rights-of-way of		
12	the City for the purpose of operating, maintaining, and extending its gas services to the City and supplying		
13	the City and consumers therein gas service; and		
14	WHEREAS, the City is legally authorized to impose, and the Gas Company is obligated to pay a just		
15	and reasonable Franchise Fee in connection with the operations in the City.		
16	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY		
17	OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:		
18	Section 1. Section 1 of Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 11,366 (March 4, 1963) is hereby amended		
19	to read as follows:		
20	CenterPoint Energy ARKLA (the Gas Company) shall on a monthly basis pay a Franchise		
21	Fee in an amount equal to 5.2% of the Gas Company's gross revenues as paid to it during		
22	the Calendar Year 2017 and each year thereafter by all of its customers, including but not		
23	limited to industrial, residential and commercial customers located within the corporate		
24	limits of the City of Little Rock or the sum of Two Million, One Hundred Thousand		
25	Dollars (\$2,100,000) per year, whichever is greater. The Auditor of the Gas Company		
26	shall certify said gross revenues.		
27	Section 2. Payments to the City by CenterPoint Energy ARKLA of the amounts as provided for in		
28	Section 1 hereof shall be made monthly on or before the 15 th day of each month.		
29	Section 3: CenterPoint Energy ARKLA shall also be subject to the relocation policy set forth in Little		
30	Rock, Ark., Rev. Code §§2-350 – 357 (1988).		
31	Section 4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances that conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided,		
32	however, only to the extent that the same are in direct conflict herewith. Except as provided, nothing herein		
33	shall be construed to alter or change the terms or conditions of the present franchise under which the Gas		

1	Company is operating.			
2	Section 5. Effective Date. Because an ordinance of this nature remains in effect until abandoned, and			
3	in light of the language of the current Section 1 of this ordinance, it is noted that the Franchise Fees set			
4	forth in Section 1 of this ordinance shall be in full force and on January 1, 2017.			
5	PASSED: December 13, 2016	SED: December 13, 2016		
6	ATTEST:	APPROVED:		
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9	Susan Langley, City Clerk	Mark Stodola, Mayor		
10	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:			
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