1	ORDINANCE NO		
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3	AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND IN PART ORDINANCE NO. 11,366		
4	(MARCH 4, 1963) TO PROVIDE FOR LEVYING A FRANCHISE FEE TO		
5	BE PAID BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY ARKLA; PROVIDING FOR THE		
6	PAYMENT THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.		
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8	WHEREAS, CenterPoint Energy Arkla ("the Gas Company") is authorized by franchise ordinance to		
9	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 Ordinance No. 11,366, as amended, is amended to read as follows:		
19	CenterPoint Energy Arkla (the Gas Company) shall on a monthly basis pay a franchise fee		
20	in an amount equal to 5.2% of the Gas Company's gross revenues as paid to it during the		
21	calendar year 2015 and each year thereafter by all of its customers, including but not limited		
22	to industrial, residential and commercial customers located within the corporate limits of		
23	the City of Little Rock or the sum of Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars		
24	(\$2,100,000) per year, whichever is greater. The auditor of the Gas Company shall certify		
25	said gross revenues.		
26	Section 2. Payments to the City by CenterPoint Energy Arkla of the amounts as provided for in Section		
27	1 hereof shall be made monthly on or before the 15 th day of each month.		
28	Section 3: CenterPoint Energy Arkla shall also be subject to the relocation policy set forth in Little		
29	Rock, Ark., Rev. Code §§2-350 – 357 (1988).		
30	Section 4. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase or		
31	word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional such declaration or		
32	adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and		
33	effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the		
34	ordinance.		

1	Section 5. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, and parts of the same that are inconsister		
2	with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.		
3	Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be available for public review for at least ten (10		
4	days, but in no event shall the collection of this franchise fee occur before January 1, 2016.		
5	PASSED: December 15, 2015		
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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