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WATER RATE/TARIFF CHANGE	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE ING. CLERK
APPLICATION OF ENCHANTED	§	
HARBOR UTILITY, CERTIFICATE	§	OF
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY	§	
NO. 12683, IN CALHOUN COUNTY,	§	
TEXAS	§.	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
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STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest and files this Status Report.

On July 29, 2014, a preliminary hearing was held for this matter. An Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) from the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) took jurisdiction and admitted the following as parties to this proceeding: (1) Enchanted Harbor Utility; (2) the Executive Director (ED) of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ); and ratepayers Keith L. Smith, Anne Clark, and Evelyn Saucier. On the same day, the parties commenced mediation that lasted throughout the month of August. In the final days of TCEQ's jurisdiction over water utility matters, the parties reached and signed a settlement agreement. On August 27, 2014, Enchanted Harbor Utility filed an uncontested Motion to Remand to the TCEQ with the settlement agreement attached. On September 10, 2014, Staff filed a Status Report with SOAH requesting more time to review the settlement.

Staff files this Status Report to request additional time for review. Enchanted Harbor provided Staff with edits to the proposed settlement. Staff is reviewing and seeking clarification on some of the edits so the documents can be circulated to the intervenors. If all parties agree on a proposed settlement package, it will be filed with SOAH with a motion to remand to the Commission. Staff requests the ability to file an agreed upon settlement package or a status update by April 17, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on March 17, 2017 in accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.74.

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