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#### RECEIVED **SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-15-1177.WS P.U.C. DOCKET NO. 42940** 2015 MAR -3 AM 10: 57 APPLICATION OF NORTH ORANGE § WATER & SEWER L.L.C DBA § § BEFORE THE S 4900 DOM **COUNTRY SQUIRE WATER AND SEWER FOR A RATE/TARIFF** § **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS** CHANGE (37820-R AND 37821-R) §

# JOINT MOTION TO ABATE

**COMES NOW** the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) representing the public interest, and North Orange Water & Sewer L.L.C d/b/a Country Squire Water (North Orange), and files this Joint Motion to Abate and would show the following:

### I. BACKGROUND

On December 16, 2014, the administrative law judge issued SOAH Order No. 1, which adopted the procedural schedule. The procedural schedule requires that North Orange file its direct testimony on March 16, 2015.

## **II. MOTION TO ABATE**

The parties are negotiating in an attempt to reach a settlement on all issues in this proceeding. Therefore, the parties request that the proceeding be abated until a settlement is reached. Staff is authorized to represent that North Orange joins in this motion. The parties will file a status report no later than April 15, 2015 if a settlement is not reached by that time.

Dated: March 3, 2015

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 3, 2015 in accordance with P.U.C. Procedural Rule 22.74.

Jason Haas