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APPLICATION OF INLINE LLC § DEVELOPMENT FOR RATE/TARIFF CHANGE

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INLINE DEVELOPMENT LLC'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR HEARING

COMES NOW Inline Development LLC ("Inline"), by and through its undersigned attorneys of record, and files this Response to the Public Utility Commission ("Commission") Staff's Request for Hearing pursuant to Administrative Law Judge's ("ALJ") Order No. 15.

On February 3, 2016, the ALJ issued Order No. 15 unabating this matter and establishing a procedural schedule requiring Commission Staff to request a hearing, or file a recommendation, on or before March 25, 2016. Commission Staff filed its Request for Hearing on March 25, 2016. However, the ALJ's Order No. 15 also set a deadline for Inline to respond to Commission Staff's request for hearing, or recommendation, on or before April 8, 2016. Thus, this Response is timely filed.

Inline opposes referring this matter to the State Office of Administrative Hearings ("SOAH") at this point. Inline has timely responded to all formal and informal requests for information from Commission Staff and has recently received Commission Staff's second formal set of requests for information. Inline is in the process of preparing responses to the same, and met with the Commission Staff today regarding such requests.

Accordingly, Inline requests that this matter be abated until such time that Inline can respond to such requests for information and the Commission can render a determination as to

whether a contested case hearing is necessary. Commission Staff agrees with this request, and the parties will submit a filing within one week proposing a proper time for the abatement.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was transmitted by fax, hand-delivery and/or regular, first class mail on this 8th day of April, 2016 to the parties of record.

David J., Klein