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PETITION OF BEXAR METROPOLITAN	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
WATER DISTRICT TO COMPEL RAW	§	
WATER COMMITMENT FROM	§	OF
GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER	§	
AUTHORITY	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

#### GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY'S REPLY TO THE RESPONSE OF BEXAR METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT TO GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY'S MOTION TO DISMISS

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

COMES NOW Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority ("GBRA") and, pursuant to the Administrative Law Judge's ("ALJ's") April 7, 2005 order, files this Reply to the Response of Bexar Metropolitan Water District ("BexarMet") or the "District") to GBRA's Motion to Dismiss this proceeding.

#### INTRODUCTION

BexarMet's Response fails to overcome the fundamental defects in its petition that warrant dismissal. Fundamentally, BexarMet's Response unequivocally demonstrates that the District cannot satisfy the minimum statutory standing requirements of § 11.041 of the Texas Water Code. As a matter of law, BexarMet cannot demonstrate that it is "entitled to receive or use water from any reservoir . . . or lake" owned or controlled by GBRA.<sup>1</sup>

Additionally, BexarMet's Response is yet another demonstration of the District's steadfast refusal to identify the portion of the 3,000 acre-feet it demands from GBRA that is necessary to provide an adequate and continuous supply of water to the four small areas in Comal County that BexarMet is authorized to serve under its enabling act. In the

TEX. WATER CODE § 11.041(a).

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Please see attached Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's Reply to Bexar Metropolitan Water District's Response to Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's Motion to Dismiss filed on April 21, 2005.

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SOAH Docket No. 582-05-1005

TCEQ Docket No. 2004-1384-UCR

Petition of Bexar Metropolitan Water District to Compel Raw Water Commitment from Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority

Dear Ms. Castañuela:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's ("GBRA's") Reply to the Response of Bexar Metropolitan Water District to GBRA's Motion to Dismiss. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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