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PETITION OF THE RATEPAYERS OF THE RIVER PLACE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS FOR **REVIEW OF A DECISION BY THE** CITY OF AUSTIN TO CHANGE **RETAIL RATES**

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ORDER NO.1 REQUIRING STAFF RECOMMENDATION

On December 22, 2014, the customers of the River Place Water and Wastewater Systems (Petitioners) filed a petition with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 13.043(b)(3) and 13.043(i) for review of a decision by the City of Austin to change retail rates. The petition challenges the City of Austin's latest increases to the rates on October 1, 2014 and November 1, 2014. Petitioners request interim rates until a final decision is made in this case.

On January 2, 2015, Commission Staff filed a motion for good cause exception to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.8 which requires Staff to file its recommendation on the sufficiency of the proposed notice and application within ten working days. In order to provide a thorough analysis of this application, Staff requests the deadline be extended to thirty days from date of filing. Commission Staff's request for extension is granted. The deadline for Commission Staff to file comments on the administrative completeness of the application is extended to January 21, 2015.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the <u>74</u> day of January 2015.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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