

AQUA TEXAS, INC. RATE INCREASE REQUEST (2012)

A RESOLUTION

OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF BRAZOS BEND, TEXAS ("CITY") AUTHORIZING A SUSPENSION OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AQUA TEXAS' RATE INCREASE AND THE CITY TO CONTEST SUCH RATE INCREASE BEFORE THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; AUTHORIZING PROVISION OF RATE CONSULTANTS, EXPERTS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATION; FINDING THAT THE MEETING COMPLIES WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING SUCH OTHER FINDINGS AS ARE RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Brazos Bend is the "regulatory authority," as defined by and used in Texas Water Code, chapter 13, relating to the regulation of public utilities providing retail water or retail sewer service within the corporate limits of the City of Brazos Bend; and

WHEREAS, by notice dated December 22, 2011, Aqua Texas, Inc., Aqua Utilities and/or Aqua Development, Inc. ("Aqua Texas") filed a statement of intent to change rates and an application to change rates for its retail water ratepayers located within all of the City of Brazos Bend; and

WHEREAS, based upon such notice, it is anticipated that on or about February 21, 2012 Aqua Texas proposes to increase its water rates; and

WHEREAS, Aqua Texas' requested rate will result in a major increase in rates for Brazos Bend, Texas, including increases in rates for residential customers, small commercial customers and other classes of customers; and

WHEREAS, Aqua Texas' application to increase rates will be comprised of a voluminous amount of pages, including testimony, schedules and work papers; and

WHEREAS, due to the complexity of Aqua Texas' rate filing it is not possible to review the requested increase in rates unless the effective date is suspended for ninety days as permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed rate increase requires the specialized expertise of lawyers and other experts who have experience analyzing utility rate requests;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BRAZOS BEND, TEXAS THAT;

- **Section 1.** The findings set out in the preamble to this resolution are in all things approved and adopted.
- **Section 2.** The City of Brazos Bend ("City") does hereby suspend the proposed effective date for Aqua Texas' request for an increase in rates, for a period of 90 days from the date proposed by Aqua Texas in its application
- Section 3. The City is hereby empowered to employ a law firm and rate consultants or other experts to represent and act in the best interests of the City in the Aqua Texas rate case, and any other related proceeding before the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality or in the courts. Such law firm shall be fully empowered to act on behalf of the City with respect to such proceedings. Should a coalition of cities be formed to participate in the rate case, the City of Brazos Bend shall be authorized to join such coalition.
- **Section 4.** Aqua Texas shall reimburse the City for reasonable rate case expenses and in a timely manner.
- **Section 5.** The meeting at which this resolution was approved was in all things conducted in strict compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.
- Section 6. This resolution shall become effective from and after its passage.

 PASSED AND APPROVED this 26th day of January, 2012.

Vernon E. Oechsle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donald R. Walton, Secretary

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AQUA TEXAS, INC. RATE INCREASE DENIAL - 2012

A RESOLUTION

OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF BRAZOS BEND, TEXAS ("CITY") DENYING THE AQUA TEXAS, INC.'S STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE THE WATER RATES IN THE CITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE HEREOF TO AQUA TEXAS, INC.; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Brazos Bend("City") is the "regulatory authority," as defined by and used in Texas Water Code, chapter 13, relating to the regulation of public utilities providing retail water or retail sewer service within the corporate limits of the City; and

WHEREAS, by notice dated December 22, 2011, Aqua Texas, Inc., Aqua Utilities and/or Aqua Development, Inc. ("Aqua Texas") filed a Statement of Intent to change rates and an application to change rates for its retail water ratepayers located within all of the City effective on or about February 21, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the City passed a resolution on January 26, 2012 suspending the proposed effective date for Aqua Texas' request for an increase in rates, for a period of 90 days from the date proposed by Aqua Texas in its application; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Water Code provides that costs incurred by the Governing Body of the City in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BRAZOS BEND, TEXAS THAT;

- **Section 1.** The findings set out in the preamble to this resolution are in all things approved and adopted.
- Section 2. The Statement of Intent to change water rates within the City of Brazos Bend, Texas("City") by Aqua Texas, Inc., Aqua Utilities and/or Aqua Development, Inc.("Aqua Texas"), is hereby denied in all respects.
- **Section 3.** The Secretary of the City is hereby directed to deliver a copy of this resolution, as executed, to Aqua Texas, Inc., 1106 Clayton Lane, Suite 400W, Austin, Texas 78723 and to The Terrill Firm, 810 West 10th Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

Section 4. Aqua Texas shall reimburse the City for reasonable rate case expenses and in a timely manner.

Section 5. The meeting at which this resolution was approved was in all things conducted in strict compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

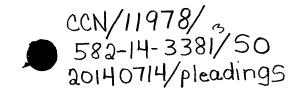
Section 6. This resolution shall become effective from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of May, 2012.

Vernon E. Oechsle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donald R. Walton, Secretary



SOAH DOCKET NO. 582-14-3383 TCEO DOCKET NO. 2014-0539-UCR

APPLICATION OF SWWC, INC. D/B/A	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
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FOR WATER RATE/TARIFF	§	
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NO. 20650, IN TRAVIS COUNTY,	§	
TEXAS; APPLICATION NOS. 37716-R	§	
AND 37717-R	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

ORDER NO. 2 GRANTING MOTION TO DISMISS AND REMAND

By motion filed July 9, 2014, SWWC Utilities, Inc. d/b/a Hornsby Bend Utility Company (SWWC) asks that this case be dismissed from the docket of the State Office of Administrative Hearing (SOAH) and remanded to the ED.

The motion is granted. This case is dismissed from SOAH's docket and remanded to the ED without prejudice to refiling.

SIGNED July 14, 2014.

HUNTER BURKHALTER

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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Environmental Quality, Texas Commission on (TCEQ)

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SWWC UTILITIES, INC. dba HORNSBY BEND UTILITY

COMPANY

SOAH DOCKET NUMBER:

582-14-3383

REFERRING AGENCY CASE: 2014-0539-UCR

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SWWC UTILITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO REMAND

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

SWWC Utilities, Inc. d/b/a Hornsby Bend Utility Company ("SWWC Utilities") files this motion to remand the rate change application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") Executive Director for an order approving the settlement agreement reached in this case.

As of July 3, 2014, all parties in this proceeding have entered into a settlement agreement disposing of all issues in this proceeding. The signed Settlement Agreements for water and wastewater are included as Attachments A and B to this motion. Accordingly, SWWC Utilities asks that this proceeding be remanded to the Executive Director for an order to be issued approving the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, SWWC Utilities respectfully requests that the Administrative Law Judge remand this proceeding to the Executive Director to issue an order consistent with the Settlement Agreement. Additionally, Monarch requests any other relief to which it is justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lambeth Townsend, hereby certify that on this 9th day of July, 2014, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was transmitted as follows:

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Attachment 1

Notice of proposed water/sewer rate change (cont'd)

ALL AFFECTED SYSTEMS SUBJECT TO TCEQ OR CITY OF BULVERDE JURISDICTION.

HORNSBY BEND UTILITY COMPANY PROPOSED WATER RATES

Phase I - Effective January 1, 2014				
Meter Size	Monthly Minimum Charge (includes 0 gallons)	Gallonage Charge (par 1:000 gallons)		
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12*	\$11,757.50		

MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES-TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF SWWC UTILITIES, INC. d/b/a HORNSBY BEND UTILITY COMPANY AND WATERSEASON RECEIVING WATER SERVICE

TAP FEE_(5/6" meter)
TAP FEE (unique costs)
LARGE METER TAP FEE
RECONNECTION FEE

a) Non payment of bill
b) Customer's request
TRANSFER FEE
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RETURNED CHECK CHARGE
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CUSTOMER DEPOSIT - NON-RESIDENTIAL
METER TEST FEE
SEASONAL RECONNECTION FEE

METER RELOCATION FEE METER CONVERSION FEE \$700.00 Actual Cost Actual Cost

\$25.00 \$50.00 \$45.00

\$45.00 10% of the delinquent bill

\$25.00 \$50.00 1/6th Est Annual Bill

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Base rate times number of months off the system not to exceed six months when leave and return within a twelve month period.

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THE FOLLOWING FEES AND CHARGES ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF SWWC UTILITIES, INC. d/b/a HORNSBY BEND UTILITY COMPANY RECEIVING SEWER SERVICE

MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES-TO ALL CUSTOMERS

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TAP FEE (gravity sewer, street or easement Installation) TAP FEE (pressure sewer, non-rock Installation) TAP FEE (pressure sewer, rock installation) LARGE METER TAP FEE ACCOUNT SET UP FEE (sewer only customers) RECONNECTION FEE	\$700.00 \$1,525.00 \$3,776.00 Actual cost \$25.00
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Base rate times number of months off the system not to exceed six months when leave and return within a

TRANSFER FEE	
LATE CHARGE	\$45.00
RETURNED CHECK CHARGE	10% of the delinquent bill
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT - RESIDENTIAL	\$25.00
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT - NON-RESIDENTIAL	\$50.00
SERVICE RELOCATION FEE	1/6 th Est. Annual Bill
LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES:	Actual cost to relocate that connection

Refer to Section 2.12 Specific Utility Service Rules and Section 3.02 Utility Specific Extension Policy for terms, conditions, and charges.

GOVERNMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION AND COSTS SURCHARGE CLAUSE:

Increases in inspection fees and water testing costs imposed by state or federal law may be passed through as an adjustment to the monthly base rate charge under the terms and conditions of 30 T.A.C. 291.21(k)(2) after notice to customers and upon written approval by the TCEQ.

DAMAGE OR SERVICE DIVERSION PENALTY:

One time penalty for tempering with or damaging a sewer service connection or any appurtenance thereto including pumps or service diversion of one hundred dollars (\$100,00), FRANCHISE FEE PASS THROUGH CLAUSE:

Charges a municipality makes for use of streets and alleys pursuant to Tex Code §182.025 or other applicable state law shall be passed through as an adjustment to the sewer gationage charge according to the following formula; AG

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Bill payment assistance programs for low income Ratepayers;
"Help2Others (H2O)" is a program that offers bill-payment assistance to water and sewer customers whose combined household incomes fall at or below 125% of the current Federal Poverty Guideline. With H2O, eligible water customers will receive a \$20 pledge. each month toward their bill; customers receiving both water and sewer will receive a \$40 pledge. To qualify for H2O, an applicant

The applicant's combined household income must be at or below 125 percent of the current Federal Poverty Guideline.

The applicant must be current and remain current on water/sewer bill statements to receive monthly benefits.

Customers that are not eligible for H2O or otherwise need other assistance should contact '2-1-1 Texas.' This program of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission is committed to helping Texas citizens connect with the services they need by referring

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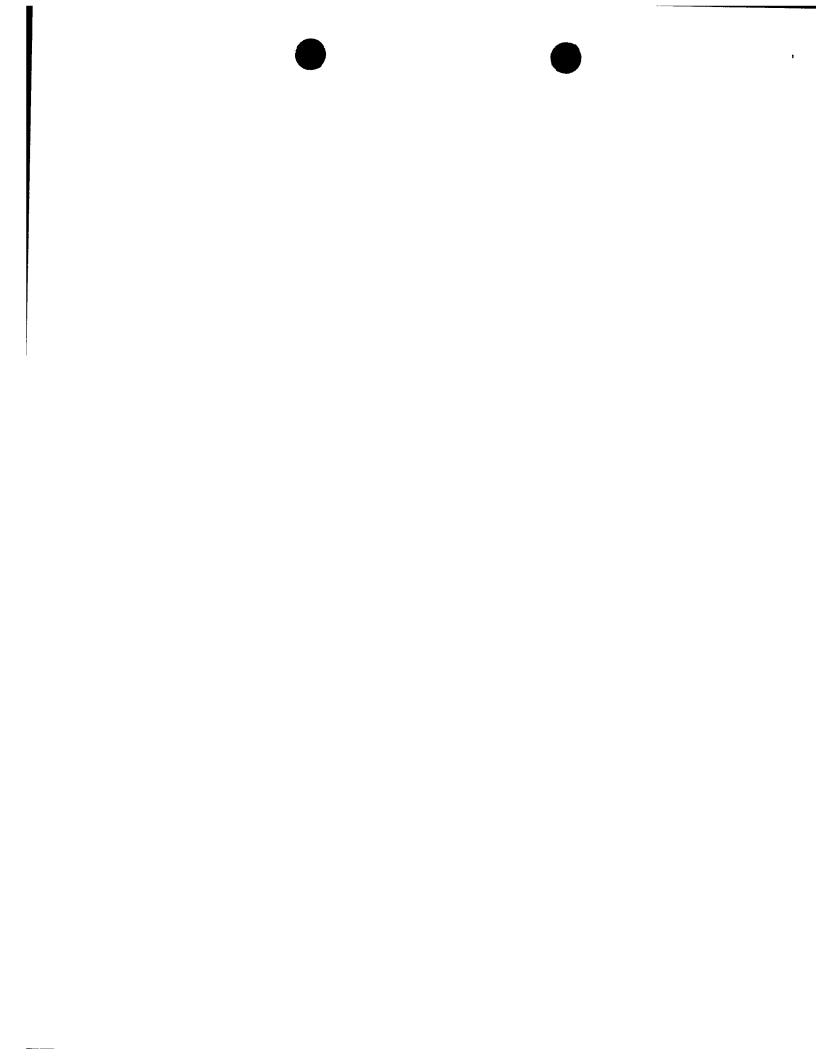
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VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

Honorable Hunter Burkhalter Administrative Law Judges State Office of Administrative Hearings 300 W. 15th Street, Room 504 Austin, Texas 78701

> Application of SWWC Utilities, Inc. d/b/a Hornsby Bend Utility Company (SOAH Re: Docket No. 582-14-3383, TCEQ Docket No. 2014-0539-UCR)

Dear Judge Burkhalter:

At the June 23, 2014 prehearing conference for this docket, you requested an update on the status of the case at the end of the week. SWWC Utilities, Inc. is still in ongoing discussions with Robert Doggett, attorney for two of the parties. SWWC Utilities, Inc. has executed a settlement agreement with all other parties. We will provide SOAH with another update on the status of the settlement negotiations next week.

Yours truly,

Lambeth Townsend Attorney for Applicant,

SWWC Utilities, Inc.

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cc: All Parties of Record

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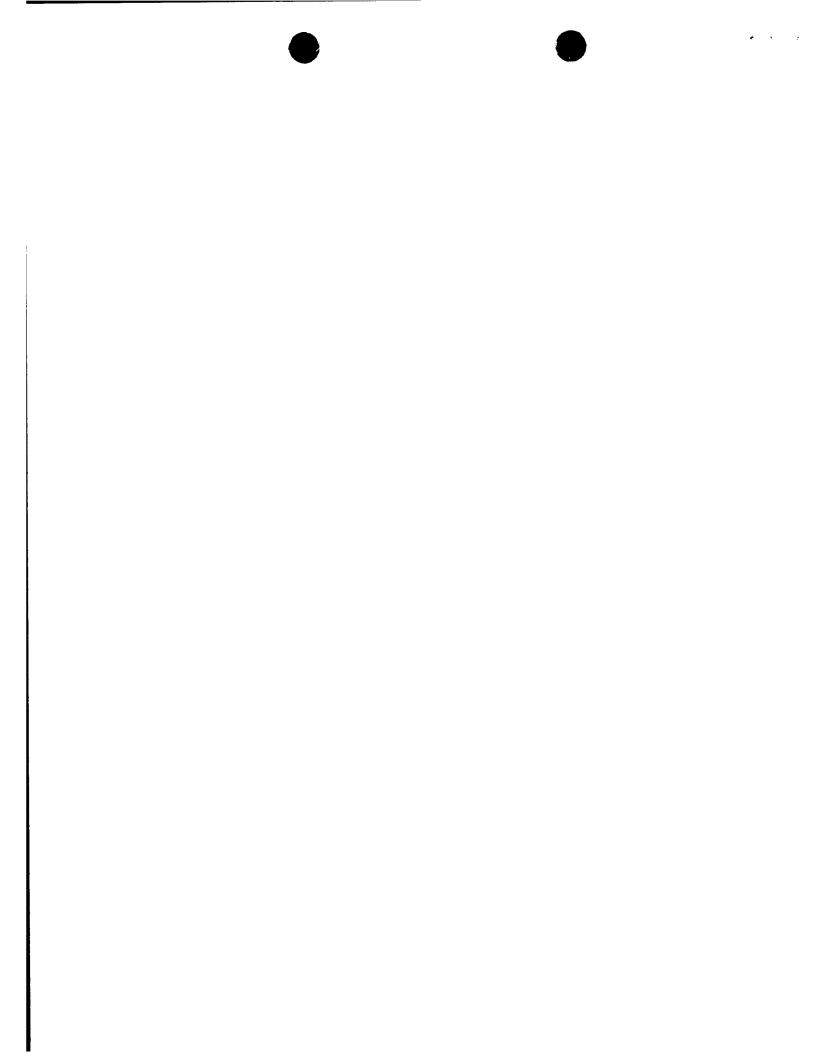
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OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITY COUNSEL'S MOTION TO INTERVENE

TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

The Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC), Intervenor, files this Motion To Intervene in the captioned proceeding, pursuant to 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 80.31, and in support thereof would show:

- 1. Intervenor is an agency of the State of Texas, expressly authorized by law to represent the interests of residential and small commercial consumer classes in proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) under Chapter 13 of the Texas Water Code. Tex. Water Code Ann. § 13.017(b) (As added by Section 2.12 of the Act of May 13, 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., ch. 170 (H.B. 1600)).
- 2. H.B. 1600, Section 2.96(g), further authorizes Intervenor, on or after September 1, 2013, to intervene in contested cases before the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) that Intervenor would be entitled to intervene in if the case were before the PUC, as authorized in Texas Water Code § 13.017(b).
- 3. The Public Utility Counsel has determined that the residential and small commercial customer classes are in need of representation in the captioned proceeding. OPUC has



standing to intervene and participate in this proceeding as a party, as a matter of right, on behalf of the residential and small commercial customer classes, as expressly conferred by statute.

4. The authorized representative and service information for Intervenor are:

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THEREFORE, Intervenor respectfully requests that:

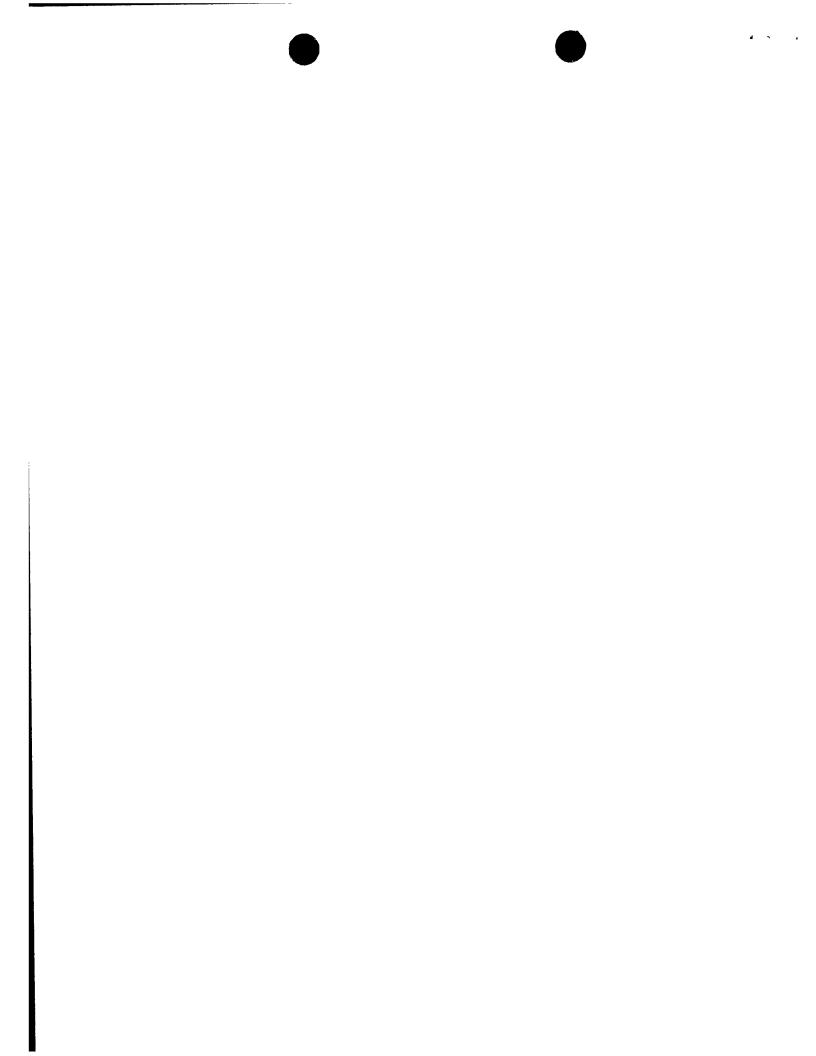
- (a) The assigned Administrative Law Judge of the State Office of Administrative Hearings grant this Motion to Intervene and thereby permit Intervenor to fully participate as a party in the captioned proceeding;
- (b) The parties take notice of the filing of this Motion to Intervene and serve Intervenor with copies of all documents filed in this docket, including responses to requests for information and other forms of discovery; and
- (c) The TCEQ and Administrative Law Judge grant Intervenor such other and further relief to which Intervenor may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

SOAH Docket No. 582-14-1051 TCEQ Docket No. 2013-2007-UCR

I certify that on June 20, 2014, I served a true copy of the foregoing Office of Public Utility Counsel's Motion to Intervene on all parties of record in the captioned proceeding via United States First-Class Mail, hand-delivery or facsimile transmission.

James K. Rourke, Jr

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TRANSMITTAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

DATE:

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TO:

SOAH Natural Resources Docket Clerk

THRU:

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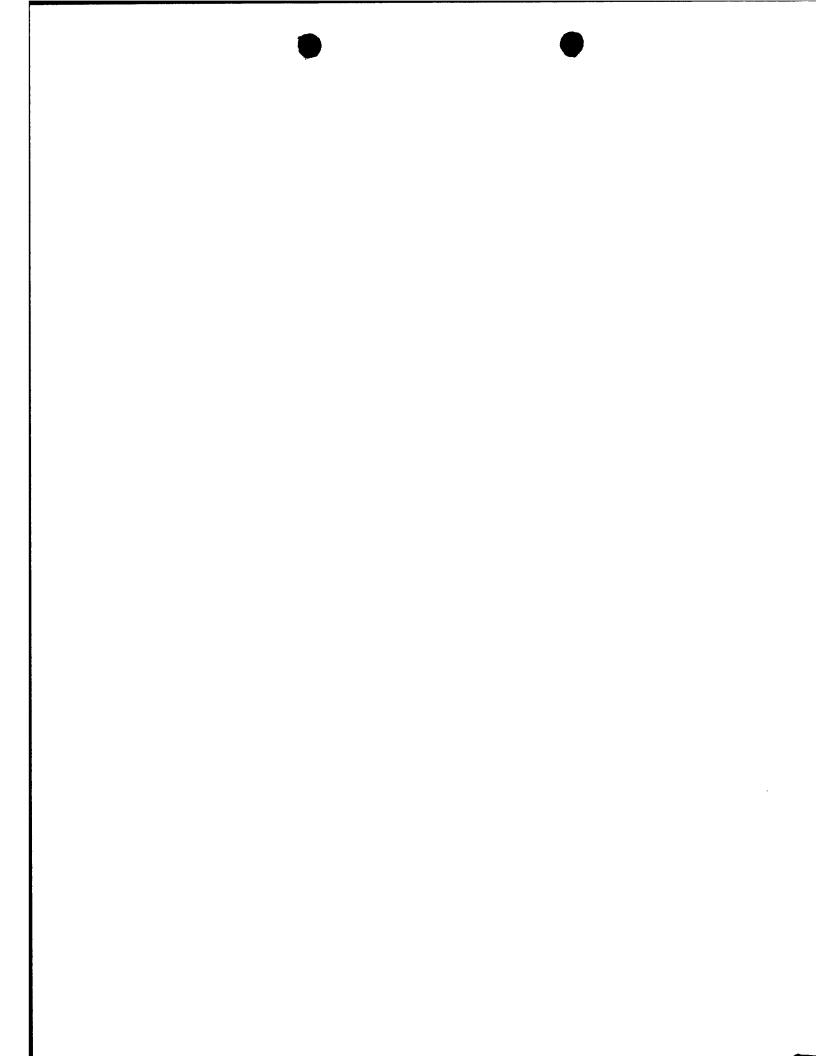
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Pursuant to 30 TAC § 80.6(b)(4) regarding referrals to SOAH, a copy of the Chief Clerk's case file is attached. Please find **certified** copies of the following documents:

_____1. the application;

2. public hearing notice and Chief Clerk's affidavit; Please note: at this time the OCC has not received the affidavit of notice to customers of the public hearing issued on May 22, 2014. When it is received, OCC will supplement this package.

If any of these documents are not included as enclosures with this memo, please notify Melissa Chao, Section Manager at (512) 239-5234.



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I, Bridget C. Bohac, Chief Clerk of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, do hereby certify that the attached mailing list provides the persons to whom the notice of the public hearing for SWWC Utilities, Inc. dba Hornsby Bend Utility Company, SOAH Docket No. 582-14-3383, TCEQ Docket No. 2014-0539-UCR, was mailed on May 22, 2014. Given under my hand and the seal of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, this the And day of May, 2014.

Bridget C. Bohac, Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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