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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION S APPLICATION OF CUSTOM WATER OF TEXAS Ş COMPANY, LLC FOR A RATE/TARIFF Ş

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RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO CUSTOM WATER COMPANY (CUSTOM WATER) QUESTION NOS. STAFF 1-1 THROUGH STAFF 1-22

Reference the filing, page 13 regarding Rate Case Staff 1-16 Expense of \$18,000. Provide copies of invoices.

Response

The expense was calculated using the amounts paid to Linda Ross / Ross Bookkeeping to prepare the rate increase during her time of contract labor/employment. Ms. Ross and Mr. Fenoglio had a verbal agreement in which she agreed to prepare the rate increase and do all bookkeeping / tax filings for the rate of \$720.00 per week, which also included her providing a worker in the utility office to prepare documents. Some of the records were maintained at her office and have been lost in the transporting / preparation between her office and The separation of employment between the two parties did not end amicably and the return of some documents and other items has not been met with success. We have copied all invoices we could find along with the printout of all payments made to her. Also included is the copy of the invoice and payment made to Stephen Fenoglio for the rate case hearing. The calculation presented on the rate application is a lower estimation of what the actual cost was at the time and we expect the price to be higher than Ms. Ross' charges should we have to hire a certified CPA to oversee the process. Past experience in this area with our other water utility company is also basis to set the cost of such preparation to be in the area of \$10,000.

Edward Fenoglio witnessed by Cindy Meeks.