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PUC DOCKET NO. 44600 2015 I.J. 24 PII 2: 03 PUBLIC UTILITY FILESSION APPLICATION OF ROLLING HILLS § BEFORE THE STATLE OF FICESSION WATER SERVICE, INC. FOR A § OF RATE/TARIFF CHANGE § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

JOINT REQUEST FOR AN ABATEMENT

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) and Rolling Hills Water Service, Inc. and files this Joint Request for an Abatement. In support thereof, the parties show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On March 31, 2015, Rolling Hills Water Service, Inc. (Rolling Hills or Applicant) filed an Application for a Water Rate/Tariff Change (Application) for water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) No. 12724 in Hood County, Texas pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 13.187 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.22 (TAC). Rolling Hills reported an adjusted annual revenue requirement of \$47,529 and proposed an effective date of June 1, 2015.

On October 1, 2015, the Commission issued an Order of Referral to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) to conduct a hearing. On October 12, 2015, the SOAH Administrative Law Judge scheduled a prehearing conference for November 30, 2015.

II. JOINT REQUEST FOR AN ABATEMENT

Based upon discussions, Staff and Applicant believe that a settlement can be reached in this case without the need to expend further resources on the application and a potential hearing. Staff and Applicant request that this proceeding be abated until January 6, 2016. Staff and Applicant propose that on or by January 6, 2015, the parties will file either a request to un-abate this proceeding or a status report.

II. CONCLUSION

Staff and Rolling Hills request the entry of an order granting this unopposed motion to abate.

Dated November 24, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on November 24, 2015, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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