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APPLICATION OF QUADVEST, LP, FOR RATE/TARIFF CHANGE BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

OF

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On May 5, 2016, Tommie Breedlove filed "Plaintiff Rebuttal" outlining his objections to his treatment at the settlement conference held on April 11, 2016. Mr. Breedlove stated:

ATTENDING THE SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

PLAINTIFF, Tommie Breedlove, attended the above conference and was asked to leave, plaintiff was on time in fact one hour early when the roll call was taken, lawyers stated it was against the law for the plaintiff to sit in and hear the settlement offer. Mediator ask can the plaintiff set in the rear of the court, lawyers said "again" no. Male & female.

Plaintiff was disappointed in the conduct of that meeting and walked out feeling a mistake had taken place and returned back to Houston.

Ps the plaintiff above did not recuse my intervene, "the purpose of the trip to Austin."¹

The Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) has reviewed the digital recording of the opening of the settlement conference, where roll was taken, and (although the recording does not contain clear recordings of conversations between counsel and Mr. Breedlove) the recording does appear to support the conclusion that Mr. Breedlove affirmatively stated that he did not wish to be a party to this proceeding. Nevertheless, because of the lack of clarity in the digital recording, the ALJ believes it is appropriate to convene a prehearing conference to discuss Mr. Breedlove's status in this proceeding.

¹ The ALJ corrected various typographical errors which did not affect the substance of the content.

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Accordingly, a telephonic prehearing conference will convene at **10:00 a.m. on May 18, 2016**, to discuss Mr. Breedlove's status in this proceeding and any other matter necessary to the efficient processing of this docket and any motions filed by 3:00 p.m. on May 17, 2016. Quadvest, LP, shall establish a bridge line and provide all parties (including Mr. Breedlove) and the ALJ the telephone number for participation in the conference no later May 12, 2016.

SIGNED May 9, 2016.

STEVEN D. ARNOLD (ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS