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APPLICATION OF MONARCH § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
UTILITIES I, L.P. TO CHANGE RATES § OF
FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

JOINT MOTION TO ADMIT EVIDENCE AND TO REMAND THE PROCEEDING TO THE COMMISSION

Monarch Utilities I, L.P. (Monarch), Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), and the Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC) file this Motion to Admit Evidence and to Remand the Proceeding to the Commission (Motion) (collectively, Movants). In support of the Motion, Movants respectfully show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On February 29, 2016, Monarch filed its application to change rates for water and sewer service (Application). On March 3, 2016, the Commission referred the Application to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). On March 10, 2016, SOAH issued Order No. 1 suspending the effective date of the requested rates, noticing the scheduled prehearing conference, adopting a protective order, and requiring Commission Staff to comment on Monarch's notice to customers of the Application.

On July 1, 2016, in SOAH Order No. 4, the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) granted Monarch's request for interim rates, ordering that effective September 1, 2016, Monarch's current water and sewer rates would be set as interim rates pursuant to Texas Water Code § 13.187(l) until the Commission sets final rates.

On September 7, 2016, the hearing on the merits began and continued until Friday, September 9, 2016. On September 9, 2016, before the conclusion of the hearing on the merits, all parties to the proceeding reached a unanimous settlement agreement and reported to the ALJs

that the parties agreed on the terms of the settlement. On September 19, 2016, Monarch filed a motion for interim rates on behalf of Staff and Monarch, indicating that an agreement in principle had been reached and requesting the approval of interim rates to be effective October 1, 2016, but would relate back to September 1, 2016, pursuant to 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.29 (TAC). The purpose of the relate-back provision was to decrease the size of any surcharge to Monarch's customers based on the difference between Monarch's existing rates set as interim rates pursuant to SOAH Order No. 4 and the rates that may ultimately be adopted in this proceeding as a result of the settlement. On September 21, 2016, SOAH Order No. 9 was entered, granting the motion for interim rates.

II. MOTION TO ADMIT EVIDENCE

In addition to the exhibits entered into the record during the hearing on the merits, Movants request that the following evidence be admitted into the record for the purpose of supporting the Commission's final order in this proceeding:

- (a) Unanimous Stipulation and Settlement Agreement with Agreed Tariffs and Joint Proposed Final Order;
- (b) Supplemental Direct Testimony in Support of Unanimous Stipulation and Settlement Agreement of Charles W. Profilet, Jr.; and
- (c) Direct Testimony of Debi Loockerman in Support of Stipulation, Water Utilities Division.

III. MOTION TO REMAND PROCEEDING TO THE COMMISSION

As evidenced by the Stipulation, the Movants have fully and finally resolved all issues among them in this proceeding and no hearing is necessary. Therefore, Movants request this Docket be remanded to the Commission to review and consider the Stipulation along with the agreed tariffs, Joint Proposed Final Order, and testimony in support of the Stipulation.

Respectfully submitted,

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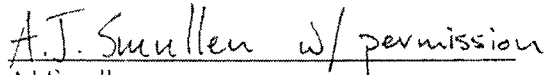
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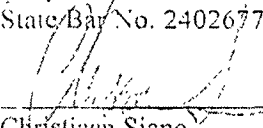
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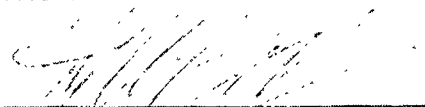
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I hereby certify that on this 28th day of June, 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent via facsimile, certified mail, return receipt requested, first class mail, or hand-delivered to all parties of record.



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