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APPLICATION OF RIO CONCHO
AVIATION, INC. FOR A
RATE/TARIFF CHANGE

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

OF

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SOAH ORDER NO. 7
GRANTING MOTION TO COMPEL;
OVERRULING OBJECTIONS TO STAFF TESTIMONY

On September 21, 2016, the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) filed a motion to compel Rio Concho Aviation, Inc. (Rio Concho) to respond to its fourth request for information. Rio Concho failed to file a response to this motion and it appears that the requested information has not been provided. In Requests for Information (RFIs) 4-9 and 4-10, Staff seeks information related to Rio Concho's test year expenses for the three years prior to the test year. Staff contends that the information and the explanation for any trends tend to make the utility's requested expenses in the test year more or less probable that expenses incurred in the test year are reasonable. Staff's rationale is sound and Staff seeks information for a limited period of time (three years). Staff's motion to compel is GRANTED. Rio Concho shall provide the requested information on or before October 7, 2016.

Rio Concho filed objections to and motions to strike the testimonies of Staff witnesses Elisabeth English, Andrew C. Novak and Debi Loockerman. The objections are OVERRULED and the motions to strike are DENIED.

SIGNED October 5, 2016.



LILO D. POMERLEAU
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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