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

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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**STAFF'S RESPONSE TO RIO CONCHO'S EXHIBIT: SUBMISSION OF RATE CASE
EXPENSES**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Staff's Response to Rio Concho's Exhibit: Submission of Rate Case Expenses.

At the close of the hearing on the merits on this matter, on December 6, 2016, the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) provided that Rio Concho Aviation, Inc. (Rio Concho) would be able to file an additional exhibit containing invoices for rate case expenses by December 7, 2016. The ALJs also allowed five working days from this filing for parties to file objections.

Staff has no objection to the admissibility of Rio Concho's exhibit. However, by not objecting to its admissibility, Staff does not waive its ability to make a later recommendation on whether the expenses presented within the exhibit are necessary and reasonable.

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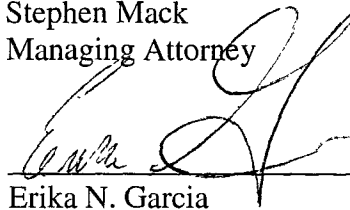
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Respectfully Submitted,

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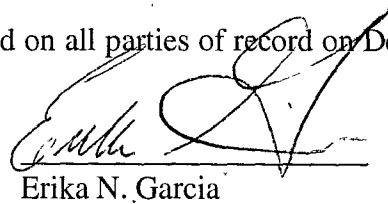
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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on December 16, 2016 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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