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APPLICATION OF DOUBLE §
DIAMOND UTILITY COMPANY, INC. §
FOR WATER AND SEWER §
RATE/TARIFF CHANGE §

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF
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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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SOAH ORDER NO. 5

GRANTING AGREED MOTION TO SUSPEND EFFECTIVE DATE
AND ABATE CASE FOR 90 DAYS; GRANTING MOTION TO DELAY RESPONSE


On November 23, 2016, Double Diamond Utility Company, Inc. (Double Diamond) filed an agreed motion to suspend the effective date and abate the proceeding for 90 days. The Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the White Bluff Ratepayers Group, and the Cliffs Utility Committee join in the motion. The parties request a 90-day abatement to allow Double Diamond time to amend its application and give the parties time to negotiate a settlement.

The joint motion is GRANTED. Accordingly:

- Double Diamond's effective date is SUSPENDED until at least 35 days after it files an amended application to change rates (with Double Diamond specifying a proposed effective date in its amended application).
- No later than December 31, 2016, Double Diamond SHALL refund any amounts collected as a result of the proposed increase in water and sewer rates that became effective October 1, 2016.
- On or before March 1, 2017, Double Diamond SHALL file either a status report or a jointly proposed procedural schedule.

On November 28, 2016, Double Diamond filed a motion requesting leave to delay filing a response to Order No. 4, which required Double Diamond to examine its confidential filings and file information required in Paragraph 4 of the Protective Order. Double Diamond's request is reasonable and is GRANTED. Double Diamond SHALL file its response on the same date it files its amended application.

SIGNED November 29, 2016.


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

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