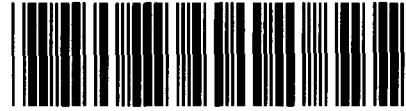


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**SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-17-0119.WS
PUC DOCKET NO. 46245**

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

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**BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
OF
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**SOAH ORDER NO. 12
GRANTING AGREED MOTION TO SEVER
RATE CASE EXPENSES AND ESTABLISHING NEW DOCKET**

**SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-18-0767.WS
PUC DOCKET NO. 47748**

**REVIEW OF RATE CASE EXPENSES
INCURRED BY DOUBLE DIAMOND
UTILITY COMPANY, INC. IN
DOCKET NO. 46245**

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**BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
OF
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**SOAH ORDER NO. 1
GRANTING AGREED MOTION TO SEVER
RATE CASE EXPENSES AND ESTABLISHING NEW DOCKET**

On October 18, 2017, Double Diamond Utility Company, Inc. (DDI) filed an agreed motion to sever all issues related to DDI's expenses incurred in its current rate case (Docket No. 46245) into a new docket. The motion contended that the severance would serve the interest of efficiency and eliminate procedural uncertainty. DDI represented in the motion that all parties agree to the relief requested by the motion.

The Administrative Law Judge finds good cause to **GRANT** the motion. Therefore, the review of rate case expenses incurred by DDI in Docket No. 46245 is hereby **SEVERED** into a new case, SOAH Docket No. 473-18-0767.WS, PUC Docket No. 47748, *Review of Rate Case Expenses Incurred By Double Diamond Utility Company, Inc. in Docket No. 46245*.

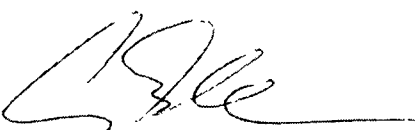
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The following procedures apply to Docket No. 47748, subject to any order to the contrary issued in Docket No. 47748 at a later date:

- 1) The order of referral issued by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) in Docket No. 46245 and the provisions in the Commission's Preliminary Order in Docket No. 46245 that relate to rate case expense incurred by DDI in Docket No. 46245 will apply in Docket No. 47748;
- 2) The public notice provided in Docket No. 46245 is public notice for purposes of Docket No. 47748; new public notice of Docket No. 47748 is not required;
- 3) DDI, the White Bluff Ratepayers Group, the Cliffs Utility Committee, and Commission Staff are automatically parties to Docket No. 47748;
- 4) The intervention deadline for Docket No. 47748 has expired; to be admitted as an intervenor in Docket No. 47748, a party will be subject to the late intervention standards set forth in 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.104(d);
- 5) The service procedures established in orders in Docket No. 46245 (such as those related to service by email) apply to Docket No. 47748;
- 6) Any party may use in Docket No. 47748 any discovery obtained in Docket No. 46245; such discovery need not be duplicated in Docket No. 47748; and
- 7) By no later than November 30, 2017, the parties to Docket No. 47748 shall file a proposed agreed procedural schedule or, if agreement cannot be reached, separate proposed procedural schedule.

If any party takes issue with any procedure set forth above, it must file in Docket No. 47748 by no later than November 10, 2017, a motion addressing the issue and setting forth its proposed alternative procedure.

SIGNED November 1, 2017.



CASEY A. BELL
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS