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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF
TOMBALL TO OBTAIN WATER
AND SEWER CERTIFICATES OF
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
IN HARRIS AND MONTGOMERY
COUNTIES, TEXAS

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ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

#### JOINT MOTION FOR REMAND

COMES NOW Applicant City of Tomball ("City"), Protestants Quadvest, L.P. ("Quadvest") and Undine Texas, LLC ("Undine"), and the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission"), (collectively the "Parties"), in the above-entitled contested case and file this, their Joint Motion for Remand.

## I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1. On September 1, 2016, the City filed an application with the Commission for water and sewer certificates of convenience and necessity ("CCN").
- On January 6, 2017, Quadvest and Undine each filed Motions to Intervene and requested public hearings contesting the issuance of the City's CCN, which intervention was granted by the Commission Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") on January 17, 2017.
- 3. On February 6, 2017, the Commission referred this docket to the Sate Office of Administrative Hearings ("SOAH"), requesting the assignment of an ALJ to conduct a hearing and issue a proposal for decision, if necessary.
- 4. On February 15, 2017, SOAH issued Order No. 1 establishing jurisdiction and providing notice of a prehearing conference.
- 5. On March 2, 2017, the Commission issued a Draft Preliminary Order setting forth a list of issues to be considered at hearing.

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- 6. After a prehearing teleconference was held on March 13, 2017, SOAH issued Order. No. 2 setting forth the procedural schedule.
- 7. Following an agreement among the parties to extend the filing deadline, the City prefiled its Direct Testimony on May 12, 2017.
- 8. Pursuant to similar agreements to extend the Protestants' deadline to file objections to the City's prefiled testimony, the parties entered into settlement negotiations.
- 9. After reaching a settlement agreement, Protestants filed a joint letter withdrawing their protests on May 26, 2017.

#### II. PROTESTANTS' WITHDRAWAL

The City and Protestants have reached an agreement resolving all outstanding issues of fact and law at issue in this contested case hearing. In accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code §22.181(b), upon the Protestants' withdrawal of their protests, the matter is now uncontested, the case should be dismissed, and the City's CCN Application should be remanded for consideration on the uncontested docket of the PUC.

## III. PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Parties respectfully and jointly request that the ALJ grant this Joint Motion to Remand the City's Application and issue an order dismissing this case.

### Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document via hand delivery, facsimile, electronic mail, overnight mail, U.S. mail, and/or Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested on all parties on the 1st day of June 2017.

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