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APPLICATION OF HILCO UNITED \$ SERVICES, INC. DBA HILCO H2O FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES \$

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COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Response to Order No. 3, and would show the following:

I. Background

On December 5, 2016, Hilco United Services, Inc., dba Hilco H2O (Hilco) filed an application for a rate/tariff change. On January 11, 2017, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 2 requiring staff to file a recommendation regarding the completeness of Hilco's amended application and notice by February 3, 2017. This deadline was subsequently extended to February 10, 2017. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. Request

As supported by the attached memorandum of Emily Sears of the Water Utility Division, Staff has reviewed Hilco's application and recommends that the Administrative Law Judge deem the application administratively complete.

III. Conclusion

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Staff requests the Administrative Law Judge enter an order deeming Hilco's application to be administratively complete.

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Dated: February 10, 2017

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION LEGAL DIVISION

Respectfully Submitted,

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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Interoffice Memorandum

TO:

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THRU:

Tammy Benter, Director

Water Utility Regulation

FROM:

Emily Sears, Financial Analyst

Water Utility Division

DATE:

February 9, 2017

SUBJECT:

Docket No. 46637, Application of HILCO United Services, Inc. dba HILCO H2O

for Authority to Change Rates

On December 5, 2016, HILCO United Services, Inc. dba HILCO H2O (HILCO or Applicant), Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 12998, filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) for a water rate/tariff change in Hill, Ellis, and Bosque Counties, Texas. An administrative review of the application is now being made pursuant to Tex. Water Code Ann. § 13.1871 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 24.21 through 24.26 (TAC).

This application affects approximately 3,712 connections. The notice provided to all affected customers appears to be accurate and the proposed effective date is March 24, 2017. The application contains the necessary information to be deemed administratively complete.