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APPLICATION OF SUBURBAN UTILITY COMPANY, INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES

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OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITY COUNSEL'S <u>MOTION TO INTERVENE</u>

Pursuant to Texas Water Code § 13.017(b) and Texas Administrative Code Title 16, § 22.103(b), the Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC) moves to intervene in this proceeding as a matter of right on behalf of residential and small commercial consumers. The Public Counsel has determined that residential and small commercial consumers are in need of representation in this proceeding. Therefore, OPUC has standing to participate in this proceeding that is expressly conferred by statute.

Dated: January 2, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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I certify that today, January 2, 2017, a true copy of the Office of Public Utility Counsel's Motion to Intervene was served on all parties of record via hand delivery, facsimile, or United States First-Class Mail.

Christiaan Siano