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**APPLICATION OF VINEYARD RIDGE
LLC FOR A WATER CERTIFICATE
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
IN GILLESPIE COUNTY**

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

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**ORDER NO. 2
REFERRING CASE FOR MEDIATION, SETTING HEARING, AND
ORDERING PARTIES TO SUBMIT A PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On October 11, 2017, a preliminary hearing was convened. The Applicant Vineyard Ridge LLC, the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, and Intervenor John McCrae appeared through their attorneys of record. The parties made a joint motion on the record requesting that this matter be referred to mediation. The ALJ has determined that the request has merit. **IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:**

1. This case is hereby referred to SOAH's Alternative Dispute Resolution Team Leader, Judge Howard S. Seitzman, for appointment of a mediator and a period of mediation. With the issuance of this Order, the official file in this case is transferred to Judge Seitzman.
2. The mediator will schedule the mediation in consultation with the parties.
3. The parties are ordered to appear at the mediation with a party representative (in addition to the attorney) who has full settlement authority for this matter.

The parties also agreed to dates for setting this matter for hearing on the merits. The hearing shall be convened at **9:00 a.m. on February 14-15, 2018**. The parties shall confer and no later than **October 18, 2017**, submit an agreed procedural schedule.

SIGNED October 11, 2017.



**JOANNE SUMMERHAYS
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**