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**APPLICATION KERR COUNTY WATER §
SYSTEMS, LLC FOR AUTHORITY TO §
CHANGE RATES §**

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**

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**COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR REFERRAL TO THE STATE OFFICE OF
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest and files this Request for Referral to the State Office of Administrative Hearings. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On July 3, 2016, Kerr County Water Systems, LLC (KCWS) filed an application for a water rate/tariff change with an effective date of August 1, 2017. On July 1, 2017, KCWS mailed notice to customers. KCWS currently has approximately 88 connections. Order No. 3, filed on August 7, 2017 set an effective date of August 6, 2017 and set the deadline to reach 10% ratepayer protest threshold of November 6, 2017. This 10% threshold was not reached. Order No. 3 also set the deadline of November 13, 2017 for Staff to file a recommendation on final disposition or request a hearing on the merits. This pleading is therefore timely filed.

II. REQUEST FOR REFERRAL

Staff requests that that this case be referred to SOAH for continued review of the application.

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests that an order be issued consistent with this Request.

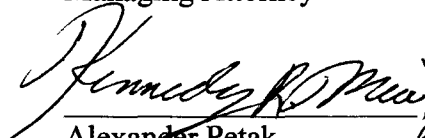
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Respectfully Submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION**

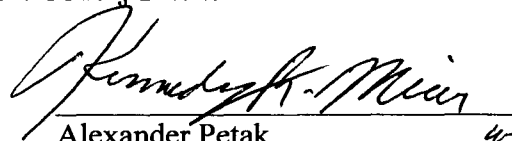
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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record November 13, 2017, in accordance with 16 Texas Admin. Code § 22.74.


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