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**COMPLAINANTS' REQUEST TO ALLOW COMPLAINANTS TO ATTEND
HEARING ON THE MERITS BY TELEPHONE**

NOW COME Complainants in the above consolidated actions file this Request to
Allow Complainants to appear at the hearing by Telephone and show as follows:

Complainants' Having Difficulty Attending Hearing in Person

Many, if not all, of the Complainants in this matter are having difficulty travelling from
Houston to Austin to attend the hearing on February 1, 2017. Some cannot miss work and others
already missed days of work due to the recent ice storm. Complainants respectfully request they
be allowed to testify via the telephone.

Complainants' counsel will be at the hearing and Complainants already filed their
testimony in this action. Complainants know very little other than what is in their submitted
testimony. Since most of the documents in this case were produced by Quadvest, Complainants
testimony should not be necessitated on showing Complainants documents during their
testimony.

Commission Staff is unopposed to this request.

Quadvest is Not Prejudiced

Quadvest will still have the opportunity to cross-examine Complainants and Quadvest already received Complainants' testimony in this case.

Complainants have no objection to Quadvest calling witnesses via telephone.

If there is some prejudice to Quadvest, Complainants are willing to extend any courtesies to Quadvest to accommodate Quadvest and alleviate and alleged prejudice.

In the Alternative – Request for Continuance

If the administrative law Judge is not inclined to grant this request to allow Complainants to attend the hearing on the merits by telephone, Complainants respectfully request a continuance of the hearing on the merits until early March to allow Complainants' counsel time to find a way to get Complainants to the hearing or have the hearing moved to Houston, if possible.

CONCLUSION

For these reasons, Complainants respectfully request they be allowed to testify during the February 1, 2017 hearing by telephone.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was sent to all interested parties, by and through their counsel of record on this 23rd day of January, 2018.

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