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PETITION OF TEXAS PARKS AND
WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT
APPEALING A DECISION BY THE
CITY OF GOLIAD TO CHANGE
WATER AND SEWER RATES

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS


SOAH ORDER NO. 3
REFERRING CASE FOR EVALUATION AS TO WHETHER
MEDIATION IS APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME

On November 16, 2017, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) referred the petition filed by Texas Parks and Wildlife appealing a decision by the City of Goliad to change water and sewage rates to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). After reviewing the filings in the Commission proceeding, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) has determined that this case should be evaluated for mediation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. Effective immediately, this case is referred to SOAH's Alternative Dispute Resolution Team Leader, Judge Howard S. Seitzman, for appointment of a mediator and a period of evaluation and/or mediation. With the issuance of this Order, the official file in this case is transferred to Judge Seitzman. The mediator/evaluator will be contacting the parties directly.
2. If the mediator/evaluator determines that mediation is appropriate, the mediator will schedule mediation in consultation with the parties.
3. If the mediator/evaluator schedules mediation, 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.

SIGNED March 2, 2018.


JOANNE SUMMERHAYS
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS