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PETITION OF TEXAS PARKS AND	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT	§	* * * · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
APPEALING A DECISION BY THE	§	OF Curica
CITY OF GOLIAD TO CHANGE	§	
WATER AND SEWER RATES	8	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

SOAH ORDER NO. 5 GRANTING MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDING AND ORDERING SUBMISSION OF STATUS REPORT OR AMENDED PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On October 2, 2017, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) filed a petition appealing the decision of the City of Goliad to increase water and wastewater rates for the Goliad State Park and Historic Site, which TPWD owns and manages. The Public Utility Commission (Commission) issued an Order of Referral on November 6, 2017, referring the case to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for assignment of an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) to conduct a hearing. The Commission adopted a preliminary order in open meeting on December 14, 2017, setting out the issues to be addressed in the SOAH proceeding. The parties submitted a proposed procedural schedule which the undersigned ALJ adopted on December 19, 2017. On March 12, 2018, the parties submitted an agreed motion for continuance of the deadlines in the procedural schedule, and as grounds, stated that they were engaged in settlement negotiations and required additional time to reach agreement. The ALJ granted the motion and ordered the parties to submit an amended proposed schedule with proposed hearing dates, or a status report by April 16, 2018. On April 17, 2018, the parties submitted a Joint Status Report stating that they are in the process of finalizing settlement documents and requesting this matter be stayed and additional time to file an amended procedural schedule. The ALJ finds the motion has merit and it is GRANTED. The parties shall submit a status report, or an amended schedule no later than May 18, 2018.

SIGNED April 17, 2018.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS