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APPLICATION OF BOLIVAR UTILITY §
SERVICES, LLC TO CHANGE SEWER §
RATES IN GALVESTON COUNTY §

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
BEFORE THE
FILING CLERK
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS

**BOLIVAR UTILITY SERVICES, LLC'S
LIST OF ISSUES**

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS:

COMES NOW, Bolivar Utility Services, LLC (“Utility” or “Applicant”) and files this List of Issues in response to the Order of Referral and in support thereof, would respectfully show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On October 9, 2017, Applicant filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (“Commission”) to amend its tariff and change its rates for sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (“CCN”) No. 21026 in Galveston County. After finding the application administratively complete and receiving protests by more than ten percent of Applicant’s customers, Commission Advising and Docket Management Division issued an Order of Referral, which referred the application to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (“SOAH”) to conduct a hearing. That Order also suspended the effective date of the rate increase until October 12, 2018 and directed Applicant to file a list of issues to be addressed at hearing. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. LIST OF ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED

1. Whether the Applicant’s proposed wastewater rate is just and reasonable.
2. Whether the Applicant’s proposed wastewater rate is not unreasonably preferential, prejudicial, or discriminatory.

3. Whether the Applicant's proposed wastewater rate is based on a revenue requirement that will give the Utility the opportunity to earn a reasonable return on its invested capital used and useful in rendering service to the public over and above its reasonable and necessary operating expenses.
4. Whether the Applicant's proposed wastewater rate is sufficiently high to preserve its financial integrity.
5. What adjustments, if any, should be made to the Applicant's proposed test-year data?
6. What is the appropriate overall rate of return, return on equity, and cost of debt for Applicant?
7. Whether the Applicant's proposed wastewater rate is based on allowable expenses that are reasonable and necessary to provide service.
8. If a refund or surcharge results from this proceeding, how and over what period of time should that be made?
9. What are the Applicant's expenses incurred in this rate proceeding that are just, reasonable, necessary, and in the public interest? Does it include any anticipated expenses to appeal this docket that are just, reasonable, necessary, and in the public interest? Should the Applicant be able to recover its reasonable and necessary rate-case expenses from ratepayers? If so, how should such expenses, if any, be recovered by the Applicant?

III. THRESHOLD ISSUES TO BE BRIEFED

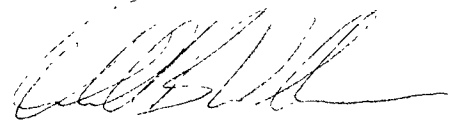
No threshold or policy issues or issues that should not be addressed have been identified at this time.

IV. PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Bolivar Utility Services, LLC prays that the Commission issue a Preliminary Order adopting the foregoing list of issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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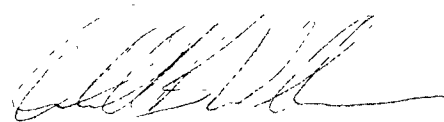


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have or will serve a true and correct copy of the foregoing document via hand delivery, facsimile, electronic mail, overnight mail, U.S. mail, or Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested on all parties on the 1st of February 2018.



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