# UTILITY NAME Bolivar Unitry Service, LLC SCHFDULES - CLASS B RATETIARIFF CHANGE III-3(a) UTILITY PLANT IN SERVICE-RECONCILIATION TO PRIOR CASE FOR TEST YEAR ENDED 31 December 2016

	ORIGINAL COST DATA				
Α	В		c		D
Line No	Description	Λm	ount		Amount
1	Beginning Gross Plant balance - (from previous rate case)	Must match p	revious inte	\$	7 083,61
2	Plant additions after previous rate case				
3		s			
4	2015 additions	5	87!,647		
5	2015 CTAC	s	(560,862)		
6	2016 additions	s	645 646		
~	2016 CIAC	s	(661,398)		
8	Construction in progress	5	83 548		
9	PP adjustment for developer				
10	contributed systems	\$	1,871,214		
11	Total additions (add lines 3 through 10, Col C)			s	2,249,79
12	Test year plant retirements after previous tate case				
13		s			
14					
15					
16					
17					
18					
19					
?0					
21	Total retirements (add line 13 through 20, Col C)			s	
22	Ending balance (line 1 + line 1) - line 21)	Equals as III- line			9,333,40

Please provide a full explanation of any adjustments to accounts from the prior period

## UTILITY NAME: Bolivar Utility Service, LLC

#### SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE

#### III-4 AVERAGE CONSTRUCTION WORK IN PROGRESS, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES INVENTORY & PREPAYMENTS

FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED: 31 December 2016

#### **III-4 AVERAGE CONSTRUCTION WORK IN PROGRESS:**

Α	В	С
Line	5	Test Year
No.	Description	Amount
1.	Beginning balance	•
2.	Test year costs added	
3.	Test year construction costs completed	604,591
4.	Ending balance	
5.	Average balance - test year (line 1 plus line 4, divided by 2	_

Typically zero, to Schedule III-2, Line 3

		Materials & Supplies inventory	Prepaid Expenses
6.	Sum of 12 test year month end balances		24.315
7.	One month prior to the test year, month end balance		2,203
8.	13 Month Average balance (line 6 plus line 7, divided by 13	N/A	2.040

To III-2, Line 4. To III-2, Line 6.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>DO NOT include construction work in progress in rate base, unless the utility meets the requirements of

# UTILITY NAME: Bolwar Utility Service. LLC SCHEDULES FOR CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE III-5 WORKING CASH ALLOWANCE CALCULATIONS FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED: 31 December 2016

- 1. No working cash allowance is permitted when a utility bills its customers in advance and provides service to flat rate customers only. Sewer connections count for the purposes of this schedule.
- 2. A utility which has all metered customers and bills monthly shall divide its annual Operating and Maintenance (O&M) expenses (excluding all taxes and depreciation) by 12 if it is a Class B utility, or by 8 if it is a Class C utility filing a Class B package to calculate working cash allowance. An example follows:

	Class B	Class C
Annual Expenses	\$70,000	\$70,000
2. Taxes and depreciation	(10,000)	(10.000)
3. Net Expenses (Line 1 - Line 2)	60,000	60,000
4 Working Cash (Line 3 / line 5)	\$5,000	\$7,500
5. Divisor	12	8

A	В	Water	Sewer	Water	Sewer	I
Line No	Description	Cla	ss B	Clas	ss C	
1	Annual O & M Expenses		1,420,449			From Sch I-1, line 25
2	Working Cash (Line 3 / Line 5)		118,371			To Sch III-2, line 5
3	Divisor	12	12	8	8	

UTILITY NAME.	Bolivar Utility Service, LLC

#### SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE

#### III-6 LONG TERM DEBT/ NOTES PAYABLE - WATER AND SEWER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED: 31 December 2016

List the following information concerning debt and equity of the utility and attach copies of notes payable used. Round all percentages to two (2) decimal places. If debt from affiliated interests is allocated to the utility, provide workpapers demonstrating and justifying the allocation.

	(A) Long Term Debt Name of Bank/Lender	(B)  Date of issue	(C) Date of Maturity	(D) Onginal Amount of Loan	(E) Outstanding or Unpaid Balance- End of Test Year	(F) Interest Rate	(G)=Col E, Line 20 x Col F, Line 20 Weighted Average	
1	Part 1 - Debt							]
2								]
3	N/A							]
4								1
5								]
6								]
7								1
8								T. C
9	Total							To Sch Column Line 5

List short term debt, if any

UTILITY N	AME	Bolivar Utility Service, LL	C
SCHEDULES - CLASS	B RATE/TARIF	F CHANGE	
HI-7 ACCUMULATED DEPRI	ECIATION FRO	OM PRIOR RATE CASE	
FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED.	31 Dc	cember 2016	

Line No	Description	Dollar Amount	
	Ending-Prior Rate Case (Docket		
1	No44911)	896,609	Must match previous rate case
2	Ending balance per Sch III-3, Column F, Line 50	1,786,208	
	Describe accounting adjustments made between the prior rate case and the current rate case.		
	CIAC		

# UTILITY NAME Bolivar Utility Service, LLC SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE III-8 ADVANCES FOR CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTUCTION FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED 31 December 2016

#### III-8(a) ADVANCES FOR CONSTRUCTION:

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G
Line No.	ltem	Date of Installation	Total Cost	Amount of Advance	Repayments made to developer	(F)=(D)-(E) Rate base Value (to Sch III-2)	Amount to be refunded in the future*
1.	Developer Contributions		110.667				
2.	<u> </u>						
3.							
4.							
5.							
6.	Total						

<sup>&</sup>quot;If any advances or CIAC from developers or customers are refundable, please provide the notential date of refunding, if known

#### III-8(b) DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION\*:

	A	В	С	D	Е	F	G
Line							
No.	liem	Date of Installation or Contribution	Total Cost	Amount of Developer Contribution	Annual amortization	Accumulated Amortization	(G)=(D) - (F) Rate Base Value ( to Sch III-2)
1.	See detail BUS III-3 schedule						
2.							
3.							
4.							
5.							
6.	Total						

<sup>\*</sup>Customer CIAC is entered directly on III-3

#### UTILITY NAME:

Bolivar Utility Service, LLC

# SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE III-9 DEFERRED INCOME TAXES AND DEFERRED INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS

FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED:

31 December 2016

To the extent that new line items have been included within the calculation of ADIT since the last rate filing, provide a complete description of the underlying issues that give rise to the new category of ADIT.

Line	Description	Test Year
No.		Amount
1.	Beginning balance	0
2.	Test year amount	0
3.	Ending balance	0

#### III-9(b) ACCUMULATED DEFERRED INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS:

Line	Description	Test Year
No.	1	Amount
1.	Beginning balance	0
2.	Test year amortization	0
3.	Ending balance	0

# UTILITY NAMBolivar Utility Service, LLC SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE III-10 OTHER DEFERRED ASSETS FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED:

III-10(a): Other Deferred Assets

Line No.	Description	Test Year Amount
1.		
2.		
3.		

## III-10(b) ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION ON OTHER DEFERRED ASSETS

Line No.	Description	Test Year Amount	Total Accum Amort End of test year
1.			
2.			
3.			

UTILITY NAME:	Bolivar Utility Service, LLC	
SCHEDULES -	CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE	
Section IV is used to report taxes other that	an income for proposed revenues.	

## **Instructions for Section IV**

Follow the instructions included with individual schedules under the heading reference.

# UTILITY NAME: Bolivar Utility Services, LLC SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE IV(a) EST IMATE OF TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME

FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED.

31 December 2016

#### PROPERTY TAXES:

A	В	l c	D	Ē
Line No	Description	Amount	Amount	Reference
1	Property taxes paid in in test year		1,837	per property tax bills
2	Utility plant added in test year			Schedule III-3(a), Line II
3	Utility plant retirements in test year			Schedule III-3(a), Line 21
4	Net additions	-		Line 2 minus line 3
5	Net Property tax rate			Line 1 / beginning of test year gross plant balance from 111-3 (a), Col D, Line 1
6	Test year property tax on additions		-	Line 4 times Line 5
7	Adjusted Test year property tax expense		1,837	Line 1 + Line 6
8	Known and measurable change			Line 7 minus Line I

#### PAYROLL TAXES (BASED ON ADJUSTED TEST YEAR NUMBERS):

Α	В	C	D	F.	F	G
Line No	Tax Type	Wage Level	Tax Rate	Taxable Wages	Reference	Tax
					SCHEDULE II-6	(DxE)
9	FICA	wages to	6 2%	299,965	Column D+E+F Line 9	18.598
10	Medicare	wages to	% 1.5%	299,965	Column H Line 9	4,350
11	Added Medicare (Affordable Care Act)	wages to	%			
12	Federal unemployment	wages to 7000	% 0.6%	42,000	Column D Line 9	252
13	State unemployment	wages to 9000	% 0 3%	73,931	Column D+E Line 9	243
14	Total (add Lines 11 through 14)					23,442
15	Less Capitalized	Use % on Sch II-6(a), line 10	%	0.		
16	Test year Payroll Tax Expense	Line 13 less 14				23,442
17	Known and measurable change		(	(Line 13 minu	is Line 14)	

#### OTHER TAXES:

A	1	J	K	L
Line No	Description	Test y <b>ea</b> r	K & M change	Adjusted Test Year
18	Other taxes & licenses	1.837		1,837
19				-
20				
21	Total Other Taxes (Line 18 + Line 19 + Line 20)	1,837	-	1,837
22	Total this page - taxes other than income (Line 7) + (Col G, Line 16) + (Col L, Line 21)			1,837
23	Sch IV(a), Total known and measurable change (Line 8 plus line 17, Column G plus line 21, Column K)			-

		ILITY NAME:		Utility Service	LLC	
			RATE/TARIFF CI			
	IV(b) REVI	ENUE RELATEI	D TAXES AND EX	<b>KPENSES</b>		
	FOR THE TEST YEAR ENDED:		31 December 2016			
		<del></del> -		•		
Α		В	С	D	E	F=B+C+D+E
Line		Texas Margins Tax	City Franchise Taxes	Bad Debt Expense	Other Revenue Related	Totals
Cinc			18203	Lapense	Related	101213
1	Test year expense	1,837				1,837
2	Test year effective rate (test year tax expense/historic test year revenues-Sch I-1)	371,746				371.746
3	Gross up factor (1.0 divided by (1.0 minus Line (example below)	1.0050				1
					[	
4	Change in revenue requirement (Sch I-1, line 33)					
5	Adjusted revenue requirement (Line 3 × Line 4)					
6	Adjusted expense (Line 3 times Line 4)					
7	Add Schedule IV(a), Line 20					
8	Total taxes other than FIT (to Sch 1-1, Col F. Line 26)					

 Example: Test Year Franchise tax
 \$ 100

 Test Year revenues:
 \$ 2,000

 Percentage (100/2000)
 0 050

 Gross up factor (1/(1-0 05))
 1 052631579

## SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE

Section V calculated federal income taxe at present rates.

Instructions for Section V

Complete SCHEDULE V per instructions found in the reference column.

UTILITY NAME:	Bolivar Utility Service, LLC	
SCHEDULE	S - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE	
V SCHEDULE	OF EFFECTIVE FEDERAL TAX RATE	
FOR THE TEST YEAR END	DED: 31 December 2016	

Α	В	C	D	]
Line		Amount	Reference	
1	Requested Return	646.309	Schedule III-1, Line 3 or II-1, line 34	
2	Less: Synchronized Interest		Sch. III-1, Col. G, Line 5 x Sch. III-2, Line 16)	
3	Requested taxable return	646,309	Line 1 minus Line 2	
4	Income taxes at proposed rates	219.745	Line 17 below	
5	Effective tax rate	0.34	Line 4 divided by Line 3	
6	Total gross up factor	1.515151515	1.0 divided by (1.0 minus line 5)	
7	Grossed up federal income tax	332,947		To Sch I-1

#### FEDERAL INCOME TAX CALCULATION:

Line	Tax Rate	Taxable Income	Tax Rate	Tax
No.	<u> </u>			
		(Portion of Taxable		(C x D)
ļ		Income in Level)		
12	1st 50,000 of taxable income	50,000	15%	7.500
13	Next 25,000 of taxable income	25,000	25%	6,250
14	Next 25,000 of taxable income	25,000	34%	8,500
15	Next 235,000 of taxable income	235,000	39%	91,650
16	Over 335,000 of taxable income		34%	105,845
17	Total before gross up		To Line 4	219,745

UTILITY NAME: \_\_\_\_ Bolivar Utility Service, LLC

VI RATE DESIGN INSTRUCTIONS

SCHEDULES - CLASS B RATE/TARIFF CHANGE

Section VI is used for rate design.

#### Instructions for Section VI:

Sheet VI-1 designs rates based on the requested revenue requirement. Complete the schedule using the referenced lines from other schedules. The schedule is for a simple base (customer charge) rate and one gallonage rate per each 1,000 gallons. If a different rate structure is requested, all calculations supporting the proposed rates must be included. Rates and resulting revenues for each class of customer and each rate tier included in the proposed tariff must be specified. If a different fixed/variable expense split is proposed, attached explanations of why the split is appropriate, and include any calculations not included on Schedule VI.

	UTILITY NAME:	Bolivar Utility Service, L	LC		
		HEDULES - CLASS B RATE		3E	
		Schedule VI-1 RATE	DESIGN		
		FOR THE TEST YEAR END	NFD:	31 December	r 2016
Line	T	A		B	C C
No.	<del> </del>	<del></del>		rence	
	DETERMINATION OF FIXE	ED COSTS			
1.	Gross revenues to be recove		Sch I-1, Line	36	2,066,75
	Less variable costs:				
2.	Purchased water - Account	610	Sch I-1. C	ol. F. line I	
3.	Purchased power - Accoun	615	Sch I-1, C	ol. F. line 2_	
4.	Other volume related - Acc		Sch I-1, C	ol. F, line 3	
5.	Other volume related or all	ocated (attach schedule)			
6.					
7.	SEE ATTACHED PROPO	SED RATE DESIGN SCHEDU	LE		
8.					
9.					
10.	FIXED COSTS	(Line 1 minus Lines 2-9)			-
11.		VERED IN VOLUMETRIC CH.	ARGE		
12.	TO BE RECOVERED THROUGH	H BASE SERVICE CHARGE			
	RECAP:				
13.	RECOVERED THROUGH B.			e 10	
14.	RECOVERED THROUGH V	OLUMETRIC RATE		Line 10	
	TOTAL	<u> </u>	Equals	Line I	
		GH BASE SERVICE CHARGE			L
15.	TOTAL METER EQUIVALE	NIS	Sch 1-3, Co		
16.	CHARGE PER 5/8" X 3/4" M		Line 13	Line 15	
		OUGH VOLUMETRIC RATE		0.10.15.4	
17.	TOTAL WATER SALES IN I		Sch II-1(a),		.,
18.	VOLUMETRIC RATE (CHA PROPOSED RATES:	RGE PER 1,000 GALS)	Line 14/	Line I /	
19.		ED PER LOOG college	I in a 19 on	attach calc	
19.	BASE SERVICE CHARGE	FOR ALL WATER DELIVERED PER 1,000 gallons BASE SERVICE CHARGE (PER 5/8" X 3/4")		attach care	
	Meter size	Line 16	Equiv	Janey	Base Rate/size
20.	5/8 X 3/4"	Dire 10	X 1.0 =	aicticy	Dasc (Calcusta
21.	3/4"		X 1.5 =		
<u>21.</u> 22.	]"	+	X 2.5 =	<del>                                     </del>	<del></del>
23.	1 1/2"	<del></del>	X 5.0 =		
24	2"	<u> </u>	X 8.0 =		
25.	3"		X 15.0 =	<b>!</b>	
26.	4"		X 25.0 =		
			1		

If the utility is setting a tiered rate, calculations for all tiers must be provided with total collections for all tiers compared to the revenue requirement requested.

ALTE	RNATIVE RATE DESIGN	Proposed	Existing	Increase	
1	Revenue Requirement to Collect through rates	\$2,063,455			
2	Revenue Held in Abeyance	(1,454,681)			
3	Revenue Requirement Requested	\$608,774	\$549,850	\$58,925 10.72%	
4	Revenues to be collected via Current Fixed Charge \$50	\$432,000	\$432,000		
5	Revenues to be collected from volumetric rates (a)	\$176,774	\$117,850		
6	Test Year End Normalized Bills (a)	29,462	29,462		
7	Rate Per Bill	\$6.00	\$4.00		
(a	) normalizes volumes based on test year end customer counts		_		
	Test Year End Customers	720	720		
	Total Bills Per Year	8,640	8,640		
	Average Usage Per Bill	3.41	3.41		
	Total Normalized Volumes	29,462	29,462		
	Proposed New Volumetric Rate	\$6.00	\$4.00		
		\$176,774	\$117,850		

2016 bond rate	
Jan	5.49%
Feb	5.28%
Mar	5.12%
Apr	4.75%
May	4.60%
Jun	4.47%
Jul	4.16%
Aug	4.20%
Sep	4.27%
Oct	4.34%
Nov	4.64%
Dec	4.79%
11 month avg	4.68%

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November 16, 2017

#### Via Hand Delivery Only

Eleanor D'Amborsio PUC Legal Division PO Box 13326 Austin, TX 78711-3326

Re: Bolivar Utility Services, LLC; Rate Change Application; Docket No. 47680;

Response to Staff Comments

Dear Eleanors:

I am writing in reference to the above-referenced application and the staff's request for additional information as outlined in the staff memo dated November 9, 2017. As we discussed via email, regarding the staff's two comments, Bolivar Utility Services, LLC respond as follows:

- 1. Schedule II-1 was not completed. Bolivar does not purchase or sell water, so Schedule II-1 is not applicable. However, if staff would like to know the volume sold by the third-party water company, we have provided our internal Manager report, which provides the volume information.
- 2. Alternative rate design includes incorrect value of \$50. This number was a typographic error. Bolivar has revised the page as shown on the attached pdf file.

We have addressed the staff's questions. Please let me know if you need any further assistance.

Sincerely.

Randall B. Wilburn

Attachments

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ALTER	RNATIVE RATE DESIGN	Proposed	Existing	increase
1	Revenue Requirement to Collect through rates	\$2,063,455		
2	Revenue Held in Abeyance	(1,541,081)		
3	Revenue Requirement Requested	\$522,374	\$463,450	\$58,925 12,71%
4	Revenues to be collected via Current Fixed Charge \$40	\$345,600	\$345,600	
5	Revenues to be collected from volumetric rates (a)	\$176,774	\$117,850	
6	Test Year End Normalized Bills (a)	29,462	29,462	
7	Rate Per Bill	\$6.00	\$4.00	
(a)	normalizes volumes based on test year end customer counts		-	
	Test Year End Customers	720	720	
	Total Bills Per Year	8,640	8,640	
	Average Usage Per Bill	3.41	3.41	
	Total Normalized Volumes	29,462	29,462	
	Proposed New Volumetric Rate	\$6.00	\$4.00	
		\$176,774	\$117,850	

	AUDUBON	SINGING SANDS	RAMADA
Dec-10	5,800 gal	2,900 gal	2,900 gal
Jan-11	7,975 gal	0 gal	8,700 gal
Feb-11	.17,400 gal	2,900 gal	8,700 gai
Mar-11	17,400 gal	2,900 glal	26,100 gal
Apr-11	11,600 gal	0 gal	14,500 gal
May-11	31,900 gal	0 gal	20,300 gal
11-Jun	14,500 ga	2,900 gal	31,900 gal
Jul-11	40,600 gal	5,696 gal	57,275 gal
Aug-11	16,000 gal	1,078 gal	37,950 gal
Sep-11	13,100 gal	13,955 gal	43,700 gal
Oct-11	19,522 gal	20,800 gal	30,530 gal
Nov-11	8,200 gal	4,575 gal	23,225 gal
Dec-11	5,800 gal	17,400 gal	40,600 gal
Jan-12	5,800 gal	20,300gal	22,475 gal
12-Feb	1,450 gal	16,675 gal	29,725 gal
Mar-12	13,050 gal	21,025 gal	66,700 gal
Apr-12	8,700 gai	24,000 gal	65,350 gal
May-12	5,800 gal	23,200 gal	60,175 gal
Jun-12	26,100 gal	26,100 gal	92,800 gal
Jul-12	31,900 gal	58,000 gal	124,000 gal
Aug-12	43,500 gal	46,400 gal	103,675 gal
12-Sep	22,975 gal	23,200 gal	69,600 gal
12-Oct	18,850 gal	20,616 gal	50,750 gal
12-Nov	15,950 gal	17,400 gai	39,875 gal
12-Dec	10,150 gal	9,425 gal	29,000 gal
13-Jan	29,000 gal	26,000 gal	58,000 gal
Feb-13	8,700 gal	8,700 gal	23,200 gal
Mar-13	34,800 gal	29,000 gal	87,000 gai
Apr-13	16,675 gal	29,000 gal	68,875 gal
May-13	31,175 gal	55,100 gal	84,100 gal
Jun-13	23,200 gal	43,500gal	92,800 gal
Jul-13	73,225 gal	110,200 gal	167,475 gal
Aug-13	22,475 gal	41,325 gal	62,350 gal
Sep-13	26,100 gal	37,700 gal	84,100 gal
Oct-13	16,675 gal	18,850 gal	72,500 gal
Nov-13	10,875 gal	14,500 gal	26,100 gal
Dec-13	9,425 gal	25,375 gal	50,750 gal
Jan-14	19,575 gal	28,275 gal	58,725 gal
Feb-13	11,600 gal	21,025 gal	43,500 gal
Mar-14	22,043 gal	52,925 gal	92,800 gal
Apr-14	18,850 gal	29,725 gal	66,700 gal
May-14	36,425 gal	49,875 gal	131,950 gal 187,775 gal
Jun-14	61,110 gal	68,050 gal	224,750 gal
Jul-14	50,470 gal	116,025 gal	162,400 gal
Aug-14	35,550 gal	57,275 gal	102,400 gal
Sep-14	21,875 gal	33,925 gai	100,050 gal
Oct-14	20,250 gal	31,500 gal	58,725 gal
Nov-14	10,675 gal	22,475 gal	29,000 gal
Dec-14	18,125 gal	42,050 gal	58,600 gal
Jan-15	15,975 gal	40,600 gal 20,900 gal	32,625 gal
Feb-15	9,950 gal	20,900 gai 32,295 gal	76,850 gai
Mar-15	28,350 gal	32,285 yai	. 0,442 30.

	_				PERMISSION 10	PANSABEA	TOTAL GALLONS PUMPED	HIGH ISLAND KAME HI SLUE AUD EAST
Dec-10	AUDURON 5,800 asi	BINGING BANDS 2,800 pm	RAMADA 2,800 pmi	27,960 pel	PERMITOLA 10	THRENDER	38,150 gal	
Jan-11	7.975 ani	Q gas	0,700 ged	39 150 gai			55,826 gml	
Feb-11	17,400 gal	2,900 gel	6,700 gal	38,150 gel			68,150 get	
Mar-11	17,400 gm	2,900 glot	26,100 gal	81,000 gml			107,400 gel 75,400 gel	
Apr-11	11,800 gal	Q gai	14,500 gui 20,300 gui	46,300 gel 89,800 gel			142,100 gai	
May-ff 11-km	31,800 gel 14,800 ge	0 gal 2,800 gal	31,900 per	108,730 esi			158,050 gal	
11-Jun Jul-11	40,000 gai	5, <b>686</b> gal	57.275 pa	182,700 gel			286,271 pol	
Aug-11	16,000 gmi	1,079 gal	37,950 guí	156,600 gal			213,626 pel 207,055 gel	
Sep-11	13.100 gal	13,055 gal	43,700 gal	136,300 gai 102,398 gai			173.250 oal	Johnny on the Spot figures are net accurate
Oct-11	19.522 gal 8,200 gal	20.800 pel 4,575 pel	30,530 gai 23,225 gai	70,500 gal			106 500 oal	Johnny on the Spet figures are not accurate
Nev-11 Dec-11	6,400 per	4,375 gml 17,400 gml	40,600 gai	94,250 gai				Johany on the Spot figures are not accurate
Jan-12	5.800 gal	20,300gel	22,475 gm	67,000 ge/			135,575 gal	
12-Feb	1.400 gal	16,575 gol	29,725 ghi	79,750 pm			127,900 gal 210,250 gal	
Mar-12	13,050 gai	21,025	86,700 gel 65,350 gel	109 475 gal 146,800 gai	5,850 gal		250,700 gal	
Apr-12 May-12	8,700 gel 5,800 gel	24,000 gel 23,200 gel	60,175 gad	182,700 98	15,940 📖		267,825 gal	•
An-12	26,100 gel	26,100 gel	97,800 pul	240,708 get	10,876 gal	\$40 ga	397,215 ga	
Jul-12	31,900 gel	98,000 gel	124,000 gail	338 300 gal	25144 gal	956 ga 922 ga	980,000 gai 476,325 gai	
Aug-12	43,500 gal	46,400 gal	103,675 pel	262,450 gal 200,100 gal	19,378 gai 10,945 gai	922 ga		į
12-Sep 12-Oct	22,975 gal 18,850 gal	23,200 gai 20,516 gai	69,000 gel 50,750 gel	174,000 gel	10,370	917 00	275,500 ge	1
12-Nev	15,860 gal	17,400 get	39,875 gal	86,500 gel	4,000 gai	262 ga	163,125 pa	•
12 Dec	10,180 pol	9,425 gel	29,000 gel	nie	1,450 gal	(	0 80,025 pe 117,460 es	
13-Jan	25,000 ge/	26,000 gel	58,000 gal	nle	3,944 gel	406 g4	42,050 ge	
Feb-13	8,700 gal	8,700 gel	23,200 94	nig nie	1,450 gel 7,975 gel		0 156,775 ee	
Mur-13 Aur-13	34,800 gal 16,675 gai	29,000 gal 28,000 gal	87,000 gal 69,875 gal	n/a	6,345 gai	180 ga	121,075 ga	1
May-13	31,175 ml	55 100 gal	84.100 ml	nfe	g 425 gel	2,800 gel	182,700 gu	
Jun-13	23,200 gal	43,500pm	\$2,800 gal	nla	11,900 pel	- m		
Jul-13	73.225 gal	اد <b>ن 110,20</b> 0	167,475 gal	nte	23,925 gal 7 975 aai	2,952 gd 2,175 gd		
Aug-13	22,475	41,325 gal 37,700 gal	62,360 gal 84,100 gal	nie nia	13,050 gaf	1,450 gs		
Sep-13 Oct-13	26,100 gml 16,675 gml	18,850 gel	72,500 gel	nla	13.217 ml	558 gr	nd 121,000 pt	
Nev-13	10,875	14,500 ppi	26,100 gal	refer	4,380 gmi	Dge	a) 55,825 pi	
Dec-13	9.425 gas	25,375 gel	50,780 gui	nțe	2,822 gal	376 gr 162 gr	al 88,450 pt al 110,175 pt	
Jan-14	19,575 gal	28,275 gmi	59,725 gal 43,500 ani	nta nta	11,438 gal	725		<u>.                                      </u>
Feb-13 Mar-14	11,800 gal 22,043 gal	21,025 gel 52,925 gel	43,500 gm	n/a	17,878 gal	1,404 gr	al 187,050 ga	
Apr-14	18,860 gai	25.725 gal	66,700 gad	nte	10,790 gml	1,535 g		
May-14	36,425 gas	40,675 pai	131,860 gal	n/a	14,725 gal	1,325 ga 2,145 g	234,900 gs at 337,460 gs	
Am-14	\$1.110 pm)	60,050 gml	187,775 pel 224,790 pel	n/a n/a	18,770 gal 31,675 gal	2200	ar 427,025 ar	<b>.</b>
3444	50 470 gai 35,550 gai	116,025 gal 57,275 gal	162,400 gal	1/2	18,175 gel	2,460	278,400 pt	<u>al 1,560 pol</u>
Aug-14 8ee-14	21,875 psi	33,925 gel	102,830 ser	nte	9,500 gal	1,200 get	171,100 pt	
Oct-14	20,250 gal	31,500 gel	100,080 gel	nfe	9,450 pal	375 g 226 g		
Nov-14	10 675 ga)	22,475 pa	54,725 gal 28,000 gal	nde nde	7,100 gml 5,800 gml	300 9		ارسور 1950 س
Dec-14	10,125 pal	42,050 gal 40,600 gal	28,000 pm	n/a	1,175 gal	790	mi 119,525.0	
Jan-15 Feb-15	15,975 pai 9,950 pai	20,800 gai	32 625 00	n/a	4,250 gad	175 g		1,700 gel 2,530 gei
Mar-15	28,350 gai	32,385 gal	78,860 gad	nte	9,800 gal	975 g	al 150,800 g	
Apr.15	24,300 gas	36,000 and	83,400 ged	n/a n/a		3,300 gal 6,375 g		7,625 gal
May-15	40,100 gai 50,675 gai	69,475 gal 89,665 gal	151,725 gal 160,625 gal	n/a		8,025		gt 7,800 gwl
Jun-15 Jul-15	47,575 get		285,975 gad	n/e	35,275 mi	8,075 gal	492,775 g	
Aug-15	29,475 gai		171,425 gai	n/e	14,725 pai	8,776	pat 305,277 g 225,275 g	
Sep-15	23,850 gal	46,675 gml	129,550 gal	n/a		7,926 gal 7,775 g		
Oct-15	18,826 gal		81,100 gut 77,400 ani	nie nie		6.125 a	163,675 g	nal 10,175 gral 200 gral
Nov-15 Dec-15	24.425 gal 17,300 gal	33,200 gai	55,800 est	nAs		4,950	ud 132,000 g	
Jen-16	19,250 gad	1 30,500 gel	55,600 gad	nfe	3,200gel	4.475	184,000 g 133,025 g	
Feb-16	15,225 gal	30,500 gal	90,375 gat	nAs	3,900 gai	4,675 c		17,925 gal 5,425 gal
Mar-16	36,450 ga;		125,325 gal \$7,100 gal	n/e n/e		6.480	183,475	20,775 gai 5,250 gai
Apr-18	28,000 ger 39,750 ger		\$7,100 gail 140,925 gail	nde nde	12,475 gg/	8,350	385,450 g	21,525 gui 4,625 gui
May-16 Jun-16	347,730 gas 60,960 gas		164,600 gai	nte	15,250 gel	9,150	pa 434,380 (	
Jul-16	84.300 ca	177.225 00	279,500 gai	n/e	33,250 pal	9,525 ( 10,025 (	ed 608,875 g	
Aug-16	67,000 98	115,460 gml	169,300 gal	nês nês		7,350		18 400 am 1,426 am
Sep-16 Oal-16	33,790 ga 31,776 ga		118,660 gmi 63,600 gmi	né		8.825	234,225	gel 0 2,650 gel 30,300 gel 1,500 gel
Oak-16 Nev-16	31,776 ga 28,725 ga		#3,525 gal	r#	10 000 gml	5,250	228,400 (	
Dec-16	26.790 ga	97 400 gal	64,400 gui	nh		6,000 g 4,475 g	gel 225,125 s ont 336,975 s	
Jen-17	17 000 ga	199,275 gel	75 <b>65</b> 0 gal	n/a	8,700 gal	9,970	Name of the last o	

										Annual Min		Annual Var	Average	Variable
DATE	TOTAL BILLING	Feet	ADJ	Collections		TOTAL CUSTOMERS	Billed Cust	Average	Min Charge	Total	Variable shg	Total	200	Units
Jan-16	25,736 00	4,514 00	(152 00)	25,219 69	10 00	600 00	492	-	18,680 00		8,056.00		52 31	1,514
Feb-16	23,972 00	4,520 00	(394 04)	24,693 95	13 00	613 00	495		19,800 00		4,172 00		48 43	1,043
Mar-16	28,436 00	4,517 00	(163 00)	26,265 00	11 00	624 00	501		20,040 00		8,396 00		26,76	2,000
Apr-18	27,524 00	4,541 00	(379 40)	28,971 94	33 00	657 00	503		20,120 00		7,404 00		54 72	1,851
May-16	39,536 00	4,585 00	(872 22)	30,121 80	10 00	<b>66</b> 7 00	<b>\$10</b>		20,400 00		10,236 00		<b>6</b> 0 07	2,558
Jun-10	32,806 00	4,587 00	(116 00)	32,586 20	7 00	674 00	\$26		21,040 00		11,828.00		62 49	2,957
Jul-10	36,606 00	4,574 00	(128 40)	37,316 73	4 90	678 00	522		20,880.00		15,806 00		70 28	3,952
Aug-16	37,188 00	4,666 00	(27 62)	36,834 44	4 00	682.00	528		21,120 00		16,066 00		70 43	4,017
Bop-16	33,078 00	4,662 00		33,501 23	8 00	<b>60</b> 0 00	544		21,760 00		11,316 00		60 60	2,629
Oat-16	32,798 00	4,663.00	(514 00)	31,855 05	16 00	708 00	560		22,400 00		10,396 00		58 56	2,509
Nev-16	32,452 00	4,664 00	(20 00)	33,324 86	8 00	714 00	547		22,680 00		9,772 00		57 23	2,443
Dec-16	30,112 00	4,628 00		30,265 18	€ 00	720 00	500	526 42	22,760 00	252,580 00	7,352 00	118,804 00	52 92	1,838
														29,701 29,701,000

DATE	TOTAL BILLING	Fees	ADJ	Collections	NEW CUSTOMERS	TOTAL CUSTOMERS
Jan-16	25,736.00	4,514.00	(152.00)	25,219.69	10.00	600.00
Feb-16	23,972.00	4,520.00	(394.04)	24,693.96	13.00	613.00
Mar-16	28,436.00	4,517.00	(163.00)	28,285.09	11.00	624.00
Apr-16	27,524.00	4,541.00	(379.40)	28,971.94	33.00	657.00
May-16	30,636.00	4,585.00	(672.22)	30,121.80	10.00	667.00
Jun-16	32,868.00	4,587.00	(116.00)	32,586.20	7.00	674.00
Jul-16	36,688.00	4,574.00	(128.40)	37,316.73	4.00	678.00
Aug-16	37,188.00	4,656.00	(27.62)	36,834.44	4.00	682.00
Sep-16	33,076.00	4,683.00	, ,	33,501.23	8.00	690.00
Oct-16	32,796.00	4,683.00	(514.00)	31,855.05	16.00	706.00
Nov-16	32,452.00	4,654.00	(20.00)	33,324.86	8.00	714.00
Dec-16	30.112.00	4.628.00	` '	30,265,18	6.00	720.00

DATE	TOTAL MONTHLY FLOW	MAXIMUM DAILY FLOW	MINIMUM DAILY FLOW	AVERAGE DAILY FLOW
Jan-16	629,300	42,200	11,500	20,300
Feb-16	585,800	41,700	10,400	19,510
Mar-16	863,300	52,200	11,700	27,848
Apr-16	638,100	43,500	15,900	21,270
May-16	1,374,300	88,000	23,700	44,332
Jun-16	1,712,300	82,200	39,400	57,077
Jul-16	1,742,690	71,000	30.100	56,216
Aug-16	1,343,300	65,800	21,700	43,332
Sep-16	1,069,300	79,000	20,800	35,643
Oct-16	813,400	41,900	14,500	27,113
Nov-16	732,200	49,700	13,600	24,407
Dec-16	923,700	58,100	19,800	29,571

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APPLICATION OF BOLIVAR	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
UTILITY SERVICES, LLC FOR	§	
<b>AUTHORITY TO CHANGE</b>	§	OF
SEWER RATES	§	
	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

## **DIRECT TESTIMONY**

OF

**CHARLES E. LOY** 

ON BEHALF OF

**BOLIVAR UTILITY SERVICES** 

**MARCH 30, 2018** 

## **DIRECT TESTIMONY AND EXHIBIT OF CHARLES E. LOY**

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2	I.	INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATIONS

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  4 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.
- 5 A. My name is Charles E. Loy, and my business address is 919 Congress Avenue, 6 Suite 1110, Austin, Texas, 78701.
- 7 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR OCCUPATION AND PLACE OF 8 EMPLOYMENT.
- 9 A. I am a Principal with GDS Associates, Inc. (GDS). GDS is an engineering firm
  10 that provides rate and regulatory consulting services in electric, natural gas, water,
  11 and telephone utility industries. GDS also provides a variety of other services in
  12 the utility industry including power supply planning, generation support services,
  13 financial analysis, load forecasting, statistical services and environmental. Our
  14 clients are primarily publicly-owned utilities, municipalities, customers of
  15 privately-owned utilities, and government agencies.

# 16 Q. PLEASE OUTLINE YOUR EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND.

18 A. I received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a concentration in 19 accounting from the University of Texas at Austin. I am a Certified Public 20 Accountant in the State of Texas. Before joining GDS in June of 2001, I was 21 General Manager of Rates and Regulatory Affairs of AquaSource Inc., a wholly-22 owned water and wastewater subsidiary of DQE, a publicly-traded electric utility 23 located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. My responsibilities at AquaSource included 24 the organization, preparation, and management of various rate filings and 25 testimony in connection with rate requests and other regulatory matters in the 26 twelve states in which AquaSource owned and operated utility properties. Before 27 joining AquaSource, I was a Manager of Regulatory Affairs for Citizens Utilities 28 Company - Public Services Sector. I was responsible for various regulatory

1		matters, including rate cases, for water, wastewater, gas, and electric services in
2		eight states.
3		Before joining Citizens, I was a Rate Manager with Southern Union Gas (now
4		Texas Gas) at which I prepared rate filings, cost-of-service studies, and testimony
5		for the various jurisdictions in Texas and Oklahoma. My utility regulation
6		experience began with Diversified Utility Consultants as a Senior Analyst. I
7		assisted in the review and analysis of various gas, electric, and water company
8		rate filings.
9		II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY
10	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS
11		PROCEEDING?
12	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to provide information regarding my role as an
13		advisor to Bolivar Utility Services, LLC ("Bolivar") in the development of its
14		sewer rate application. I provide an overview of Bolivar's filing and answer
15		questions regarding its capital structure, rate of return, affiliate expenses, rate
16		case expenses, and rate design.
17	Q.	HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
18		OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS, THE PUBLIC UTILITY
19		COMMISSION OF TEXAS OR THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON
20		ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY?
21	A.	Yes. A list of the proceedings in which I have been involved is attached to my
22		resume.
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#### III. OVERVIEW OF BOLIVAR'S REVENUE REQUIREMENT

# Q. WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE METHODOLOGY TO DETERMINE JUST AND REASONABLE SEWER RATES IN THIS PROCEEDING?

- 4 A. The appropriate rate making methodology is presented in the Public Utility
- 5 Commission of Texas ("PUC") Class B Rate/Tariff Change Application rate filing
- 6 application for Class B utilities. The Class B application is appropriate for
- 7 Bolivar's size and provides the required schedules and instructions for developing
- 8 the revenue requirement.

#### 9 Q. WHAT IS THE RATE INCREASE BOLIVAR IS REQUESTING?

- 10 A. Bolivar is requesting a \$58,925 increase. This amount approximates a 12.7 %
- 11 increase.

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#### 12 Q. WHAT IS UNIQUE ABOUT THIS RATE INCREASE REQUEST?

- 13 A. This rate case is unique because, as Schedule I-1 of the rate application
- demonstrates, Bolivar has documented that it can justify a much greater increase
- than it is currently requesting. Schedule I-1 supports a total revenue requirement
- of just over \$2 million. However, the requested rate increase results in the
- proposed collection of revenues around \$600 thousand with \$1.55 million of the
- revenue requirement being "held in abeyance."

#### 19 Q. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE REVENUE HELD IN ABEYANCE?

- 20 A. It is a portion of revenue requirement meant to be suspended or set aside and not
- 21 included in the development of rates. Said another way, it represents costs that
- will not be recovered in rates.

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## 1 Q. IS BOLIVAR PROPOSING TO REQUEST RECOVERY OF THE 2 "REVENUE HELD IN ABEYANCE" IN A FUTURE RATE CASE?

A. No. Bolivar is not proposing to defer this amount for recovery in the future and is willing to absorb this portion of revenue requirement going forward. At some point in time in the future, Bolivar believes it will collect its full revenue requirement once the system is fully built out. Until then, all revenue requirements not included in rates or "held in abeyance" in the future will be lost.

# 8 Q. WHY WOULD A UTILITY FILE A RATE INCREASE REQUEST THAT 9 DOES NOT COVER ITS ENTIRE REVENUE REQUIREMENT?

Bolivar submitted a similar request in 2015 under Docket 44911. The case was 10 A. 11 settled before testimony was filed. In addition, Monarch Utilities and Canyon 12 Lake Water Service Company have filed requests in the past that were 13 significantly less than what their documented revenue requirements supported. 14 This approach is taken to mitigate the impact of the rate increases by stalling 15 recovery of the full revenue requirement and allow future growth to help bridge 16 the gap before a full and reasonable rate increase can be requested in the future. 17 Bolivar is part of the peninsula community devastated by Hurricanes Rita, Ike and 18 Harvey. If rates were raised to cover the full revenue requirements, most of the 19 customers would have difficulty covering the bills. Since Bolivar has installed a 20 modern, fully contained sewer system that protects the water table and soil much 21 better than septic systems, more lots can be sold and thus more customers will be 22 able to hook on to the system in the future. This future customer growth will 23 ultimately help keep rates at a reasonable level. Bolivar expects the utility to 24 break-even in the next few years based on recent years' customer growth.

# 25 Q. HOW CAN BOLIVAR CONTINUE TO OPERATE WITH SUCH AN OPERATING DEFICIT?

A. From the additional cash flow from this increase, existing billings and developer payments, combined with interest free loans from its parent Allco LLC, Bolivar

1		will easily be able to maintain the quality of service and operation it has in the
2		past. As discussed in Mr. Lege's Direct Testimony, Bolivar has not experienced
3		operational problems with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality or
4		the Galveston County Health Department.
5		IV. <u>REVENUE REQUIREMENT</u>
6	Capital Structure	
7	Q.	PLEASE ADDRESS BOLIVAR'S CAPITAL STRUCTURE?
8	A.	Bolivar's capital structure, like many small utilities in their growth phase, has a
9		capital structure of 100% equity.
10	Q.	HOW MUCH DEBT DOES BOLIVAR HAVE?
11	A.	None.
12	Q.	IF BOLIVAR HAS NO DEBT, THE PUC WOULD NOT ASSESS ITS
13		DEBT-TO-EQUITY CAPITAL STRUCTURE, CORRECT?

- 14 A. Yes. However, sometimes the Commission will impute a hypothetical capital
- structure to reflect a cost efficient fair representation of a typical well managed
- 16 utility's capital structure.
- 17 Q. WHAT ARE THE REASONABLE AND NECESSARY COMPONENTS OF 18 BOLIVAR'S INVESTED CAPITAL?
- 19 A. Currently Bolivar's capital structure consists of 100% equity. However, the 20 Commission prefers to see a well balanced capital structure of debt and equity.
- Q. WHAT IS THE REASONABLE AND NECESSARY WORKING CAPITAL
   ALLOWANCE FOR BOLIVAR?
- 23 A. One twelfth of O&M excluding depreciation and taxes.

1	Q.	WHY IS A CAPITAL STRUCTURE OF 100% EQUITY REASONABLE
2		FOR SETTING RATES?
3	A.	In this instance I believe it is reasonable because Bolivar cannot secure debt on its
4		own and even with its parent, Allco LLC's support, any debt obtained would not
5		be at the favorable terms most utilities are able to obtain. However, once
6		Bolivar's revenue requirements have stabilized, it would be better if Bolivar
7		would move its capital structure to a much more reasonable balance of debt and
8		equity. Typically, the PUC likes to see these ratios in the 50/50 range.
9	Q.	DOES BOLIVAR HAVE ANY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
10		UNDERWAY OR PLANNED?
11	A.	It is my understanding that Bolivar is a growing system so there will be a steady
12		stream of construction projects as the system grows.
13	Q.	SO IT IS NOT TRANSFERRING INVESTED CAPITAL OR MAKING AN
14		ALLOWANCE OF FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR PURPOSES OF
15		THIS RATE INCREASE, CORRECT?
16	A.	Correct. All invested capital is constructed by Bolivar and it does not apply
17		AFUDC or an Allowance for Funds during construction.
18	Q.	BASED ON YOUR REVIEW OF THE UTILITY EXPENSES, WHAT
19		OTHER ITEMS SHOULD BE DEDUCTED FROM BOLIVAR'S RATE
20		BASE, IF ANY?
21	A.	No additional deductions to the rate base are necessary. Bolivar's requested rate
22		base components follow PUC requirements for Class B utilities.
23	Q.	ARE REGULATORY ASSETS INCLUDED IN BOLIVAR'S RATE BASE?
24	A.	Bolivar does not have any regulatory assets.

**Requested Rate of Return** 

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1	Q.	WHAT DOES "WEIGHTED COST OF CAPITAL" OR OVERALL RATE
2		OF RETURN MEAN IN RATEMAKING?

- 3 A. A weighted cost of capital represents the weighted cost of long term debt and
- 4 requested return on common stock also known as the overall rate of return. The
- 5 overall rate of return (ROR) is applied to rate base to determine a reasonable
- 6 after-tax profit.

## 7 Q. WHAT IS THE OVERALL RATE OF RETURN (ROR) BOLIVAR IS

- **REQUESTING IN THIS PROCEEDING?**
- 9 A. Bolivar is requesting an overall rate of return of 8% on its actual capital structure
- which reflects no debt and 100% equity.

#### 11 Q. WHY IS THE REQUESTED ROR OF 8% REASONABLE?

- 12 A. As stated earlier, Bolivar is proposing to set aside a large portion of its revenue
- requirements as revenue held in abeyance. The total revenue requirements were
- computed using a calculated, or proxy, ROR of 8%; however, the amount of
- revenue requirement Bolivar is setting aside results in negative earnings and an
- 16 effective ROR that is actually negative. Thus, the requested ROR only serves as a
- 17 proxy for the calculation purposes of developing the PUC filing requirements and
- its reasonableness should not be at issue.

#### 19 Affiliate Transactions

#### 20 Q. WHY DOES BOLIVAR'S PROPOSED REVENUE REQUIREMENT

- 21 CONTAIN AFFILIATE TRANSACTIONS?
- 22 A. Mr. Lege' discusses Bolivar's affiliate transactions in his Direct Testimony.
- Essentially, Bolivar's parent, Allco LLC, charges Bolivar for employee medical
- insurance, at its cost with no markup, as well as general liability insurance and
- 25 auto insurance at no cost to Bolivar. In addition, Bolivar uses Allco LLC, a

- 1 construction contractor, for the construction and installation of its sewer system
- 2 facilities at cost with a small markup to cover Allco LLC's overhead costs.

# 3 Q. WHAT IS THE STANDARD THE PUC APPLIES WHEN REVIEWING 4 AFFILIATE TRANSACTIONS?

The Water Code allows a utility's affiliate to charge for goods and services at rates that are the same or less than what an unaffiliated third party would charge. It does not matter if a profit is made, the measuring standard is that the prices charged are competitive with unaffiliated third parties providing the same goods or services.

## 10 Q. DO YOU BELIEVE BOLIVAR MEETS THIS STANDARD ACCORDING 11 TO THE DIRECT TESTIMONY PROVIDED BY MR. LEGE?

12 Yes. Typically, the larger the consolidated group for medical insurance, the lower A. 13 the individual insurance charges. It is doubtful that Bolivar could obtain lower 14 medical insurance on a standalone basis. Allco does not charge Bolivar for 15 general liability insurance and auto insurance. Thus, I believe Bolivar, and its rate 16 payers, benefit from the insurance coverage arrangement it has with its parent. 17 Regarding the use of Allco LLC for the construction of plant, Mr. Lege explains 18 that Allco is uniquely qualified to do this type of work for Bolivar. So typically, 19 water and sewer systems are installed at the same time; however, Bolivar 20 Peninsula's water system was installed years before Bolivar's sewer system. 21 Constructing or installing a sewer system in an area with an existing water system 22 complicates and increases installation costs. Since Allco LLC installed most of 23 the peninsula's water system, it is uniquely qualified to install the sewer system, 24 because it knows the location of existing water lines. Further, Mr. Lege states that 25 Allco LLC bills Bolivar for actual construction costs plus a small markup to 26 recover overhead costs. In my discussions with Mr. Lege, he indicated that the 27 Allco LLC's overhead charges ranged from 3% to 5% of the actual construction 28 costs billed. Since contracting firms will mark up their costs as high as 30%, I 29 believe, based on Mr. Lege's Direct Testimony, the affiliate transactions

1		regarding the Allco construction costs are reasonable and meet the affiliate
2		transaction standard.
3		V. RATE DESIGN
4	Q.	HOW DO YOU CALCULATE A UTILITY RATE, GENERALLY?
5	A.	Utility rates should be calculated in a manner that will allow the utility a
6		reasonable opportunity to collect the revenue requirement granted by the
7		Commission. This can be achieved by developing a rate structure that consists of
8		a reasonable balance between fixed and variable rates. Bolivar is proposing to
9		collect 66% of its requested revenue requirement through fixed rates and the
10		remaining 34% through variable rates.
11	Q.	WHAT ARE BOLIVAR'S CUSTOMER RATE CLASSES AMONG
12		WHICH IT MUST ALLOCATE COSTS?
13	A.	Bolivar only has one rate class which consists of residential and small commercial
14		customers.
15	Q.	WHAT CHANGES IS BOLIVAR PROPOSING TO ITS CURRENT RATE
16		CLASS STRUCTURE IN THIS REQUEST?
17	A.	None. Bolivar's current rate structure consists of a fixed minimum charge and a
18		volumetric charge. Since the local water provider, Bolivar Peninsula Special
19		Utility District, does all the billing on behalf of Bolivar, the volumetric usage is
20		known for billing purposes.
21	Q.	WHY IS THIS A REASONABLE RATE STRUCTURE?
22	A.	Many sewer utilities' rates consist of a fixed monthly minimum and a variable or
23		volumetric rate when monthly volumetric readings can be obtained. Additionally,
24		Bolivar's current rate structure was found to be reasonable in its last case before
25		the PUC.

1	Q.	HOW	IS	BOLIVAR	<b>PROPOSING</b>	TO	RECOVER	THE	REQUESTED
2		RATE	IN	CREASE?					

- A. Bolivar is proposing to collect the entire rate increase by increasing the volumetric rate from \$4.00 to \$6.00.
- 5 Q. IS THE INCREASED RATE BASED ON CURRENT NUMBER OF
  6 CONNECTIONS AS OF THE DATE THE APPLICATION WAS FILED
  7 OR TEST-YEAR-END CONNECTIONS?
- 8 A. The rate is based on the number of active customers at the end of the test year.

# 9 Q. HOW DID BOLIVAR CALCULATE THE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS 10 TO BE COLLECTED?

11 A. "Schedule VI Alt Rate Design" provides the calculation of the revenue 12 requirement to collect in rates as well as the proposed rates. Line 1 takes the total 13 Revenue Requirement of \$2,066,758 developed on line 32 of Schedule I-1 (the 14 total proposed revenue requirement) and removes the "Other Revenues" on line 15 35 of \$3,303. This amount ties to the \$2,063,455 presented on line 1 of Schedule 16 VI. Line 2 of Schedule VI removes the revenue held in abeyance of \$1,541,081 17 (or those costs that should be excluded from rates) reflected in Schedule I-1. The 18 result is on line 3 of \$522,374 which represents the revenue amount that will be 19 collected from proposed rates.

# 20 Q. HOW DID BOLIVAR CALCULATE THE PROPOSED RATES?

A. Bolivar is proposing to leave its current minimum charges at \$40. Thus, in order to calculate the volumetric rate, the revenues that will be collected through the minimum charge must be removed from the \$522,374 amount determined on line 3. Line 4, of Schedule VI calculates normalized bills by applying test year end customers of 720 multiplied by 12 bills to arrive at normalized bills of 8,640. The normalized bills are multiplied by the \$40 minimum currently being charged. This calculation results in \$345,600 of minimum charge revenues being removed

1 from the line 3 revenues of \$522,374. This results in revenues of \$176,774 to be 2 collected in volumetric rates.

#### 3 Q. HOW DID BOLIVAR CALCULATE THE VOLUMETRIC RATE?

4 A. Before the volumetric rate can be calculated from the revenue amount determined 5 above, the appropriate level volumes should be determined. Since there are more 6 customers at the end of the test year than at the beginning of the test year, 7 volumes were increased to normalize and reflect the reasonable usage going 8 forward. This adjustment is accomplished by taking the actual billed volumes 9 billed during the test year and dividing it by the actual test year bills. This results 10 in an average usage per bill of 3.41, which is applied to the normalized bills 11 discussed above. The result are normalized volumes which are higher than test 12 year volumes. The calculations for the normalized bills and volumes are shown in 13 footnote (a) in Schedule VI. Finally, the normalized volumes of 29,462 (3.41 14 average usage X 8,640 normalized bills) is divided into the \$176,774 of 15 volumetric revenues calculated above to arrive at the proposed \$6.00 volumetric 16 rate.

# Q. WHY IS APPLYING THE TOTAL INCREASE TO THE VOLUMETRIC RATE A REASONABLE APPROACH?

19 Α. In the last case, the entire increase was applied to the fixed charge. Applying the 20 entire rate increase to the variable rate fairly allocates costs to customers that discharge more waste (in the summer because this is primarily a vacation 22 community) and cause Bolivar to incur more cost. For example, in February 2016 total discharge for the month was 565,800 gallons while in July of the same year 24 total monthly discharge was over three times the February discharge at 1,742,690 gallons. The few permanent residences are low to moderate income and under Bolivar's proposed rate design, bills for those customers will change very little.

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#### Q. WHAT WOULD BE THE TYPICAL BILL RATE IMPACTS ASSUMING 2 THE PROPOSED INCREASE AND RATE DESIGN IS ACCEPTED BY

#### 3 THIS COMMISSION?

4 A. Table 1 below provides the typical bill impacts based on averages for annual, 5 winter and summer bills assuming the proposed increase of \$2 to the volumetric 6 rates is granted by the Commission.

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TABLE 1 **Typical Bill Impacts** 

	Current Bill	Propsed Bill	% Increas e
Annual Average Bill	\$58.81	\$68.21	15.99%
Winter Average Bill	\$48.43	\$52.64	8.70%
Summer Average Bill	\$67.64	\$81.45	20.43%

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#### VI. **RATE CASE EXPENSES**

#### 12 Q. THE COMPANY PROPOSING TO COLLECT RATE CASE 13 **EXPENSES FOR THIS PROCEEDING?**

14 A. Similar to my discussion of Bolivar's Revenue Requirement, Bolivar is generally 15 willing to absorb all the rate case expenses as it did in the last case to help 16 mitigate the pecuniary impact on its customers who were negatively affected by 17 the hurricanes. So, at this time, and in light of the lack of protestants and high 18 likelihood of settlement, it is not planning to collect theses expenses. However, 19 if this matter goes to a full blown contested case with extensive and expensive 20 briefing, it may reconsider.

#### Q. DOES THIS COMPLETE YOUR TESTIMONY?

22 A. Yes, however, I reserve the right to revise or expand my testimony as additional 23 facts or evidence become available during the hearing process.

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**EDUCATION:** 

BBA Accounting, University of Texas at Austin

Certified Public Accountant, Texas

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

American Water Works Association National Association of Water Companies Water Environment Federation Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants American Public Gas Association

Texas Gas Association

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

Mr. Loy has over 25 years' of experience helping organizations meet challenges arising in both regulated and competitive environments within in the utility industry.

#### 2001-Present

GDS Associates, Inc.: Principal – Mr. Loy started with GDS in June of 2001. His focus is on regulatory accounting and finance. He is experienced in water, wastewater, natural gas, and electric regulatory and accounting matters. Mr. Loy assisted a number of water, wastewater and gas distribution clients with rate case filings before various regulatory authorities in a number of states. He has assisted with the financial analysis of wholesale purchase power and retail aggregation projects as a result of the deregulation of the electric industry in Texas. He has conducted analysis and developed recommendations regarding the Southwest Power Administration's rate increase on behalf of member clients. He has participated in a number of natural gas and electric projects involving rate increases, acquisition analysis and other special projects.

# 1999-2001

AquaSource Inc.: General Manager Rates and Regulatory Affairs - AquaSource Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of DOE Inc and parent of Duquesne Light. AquaSource was formed in 1997 to take advantage of the consolidation in the water and wastewater industries and spent three years and more than \$400 million acquiring water and wastewater companies. Mr. Loy's duties included directing the compilation and filing of rate cases, acquisition analyses and related filings, regulatory commission/governmental relations in the twelve states in which AquaSource operates. Additionally, he supervised a professional staff located throughout the country and assisted in business development, developer contract negotiations and other special projects. His appointment came in the middle of AquaSource's aggressive acquisition phase. Accordingly, his first year was spent primarily working to clean up a very chaotic regulatory situation.

### 1993-1999

Citizens Utilities Company: Manager, Regulatory Affairs – Mr. Loy served as Project Manager of numerous multiple-company water and wastewater rate case filings, in Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Arizona. In those cases, he prepared and presented testimony, developed revenue requirement calculations, generated revenue and expense pro forma adjustments, performed working capital lead/lag studies, and evaluated rate design/cost of service issues. He proposed surcharge mechanisms for purchased water, a reverse osmosis process, and contract waste treatment. Additionally, Mr. Loy designed and directed the development of the multiple company revenue requirement models that generated filing schedules. In the fall of 1997, Citizens promoted Mr. Loy to Manager Regulatory Affairs. In the new position, he supervised the staff responsible for all regulatory activity involving gas, electric and water/wastewater in ten states. He was a key member of a team that negotiated a multimillion dollar water and wastewater agreement with a major developer in Phoenix on behalf of Citizens.

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1989-1993

Southern Union Gas Company: Rate Manager – Mr. Loy joined Southern Union as Sr. Internal Auditor. In that capacity, he contributed to multiple projects pertaining to the upcoming merger with a large publicly traded corporation. These projects included supervising audits of gas purchases, accounts receivable, accounts payable and oil and gas holdings. He was promoted to Rate Manager reporting to the Vice President of Regulatory Affairs. In that capacity, he supervised a team of four directing the preparation and implementation of 16 rate increase applications before various municipal and state regulatory bodies, and led negotiating sessions with elected and municipal officials. In addition to improving efficiency, he developed several rate mechanisms that resulted in increased earnings. One such efficiency was the Weather Normalization Adjustment Clause (WNAC). By eliminating weather-sensitive fluctuations, the WNAC increased earnings as much as 12%. He also developed a Cost of Service Adjustment Clause (CSAC) which was established in several smaller municipal jurisdictions. The CSAC allowed annual rate increases without the time and expense of major rate filings. Also, Mr. Loy performed analysis and due diligence for numerous municipal and private acquisitions.

1987-1989

Diversified Utility Consultants, Inc.: Sr. Accounting Analyst - Diversified Utility Consultants (DUC) is a consulting firm which represents consumers' interests in rate case proceedings. The firm's clients include municipalities and various state-supported consumer agencies. As a Sr. Accounting Analyst, Mr. Loy worked on seven electric rate cases, two gas rate cases and one water rate case.

Prior to 1987

Mr. Loy spent summers in college rough necking, both offshore and onshore, on oil and gas drilling rigs. His first job after college was in the oil & gas industry where he started in accounts receivable and specialized in collecting past due accounts. He was in the Joint Interest Auditing Department where he reviewed drilling costs and negotiated refunds for the company and its joint interest owners.

### Regulatory Experience:

Mr. Loy has presented testimony and/or participated in cases before the following regulatory bodies:

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission - Water/Wastewater, Steam

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio - Water/Wastewater

Indiana Regulatory Commission - Water/Wastewater

Idaho Public Utilities Commission- Water

Illinois Commerce Commission - Water/Wastewater

Arizona Corporation Commission - Water/Wastewater, Conservation Rates, Reclaimed Water

Arkansas Public Utility Commission - Water

Oklahoma Corporation Commission - Gas

Texas Railroad Commission - Gas

Texas Public Utilities Commission - Electric, Water/Wastewater

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality - Water/Wastewater, Conservation Rates

Delaware Public Service Commission – Water, Conservation Rates

New Mexico Public Regulation Commission - Water/Wastewater, Conservation rates

New York Public Service Commission - Water

Public Service Commission of South Carolina - Water/Wastewater

Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control - Water

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities - Water

El Paso Public Utilities Board - Gas

# WATER/WASTEWATER/GAS/ELECTRIC EXPERIENCE LIST OF TESTIMONY, EXPERT PROCEEDINGS, AND ENGAGEMENTS BY CHARLES E. LOY, CPA

# **ELECTRIC UTILITY RATES AND REGULATION EXPERIENCE**

# Public Utility Commission of Texas

Docket No. 48002

Prepared the 2017/2018 Application for Interim Update of Wholesale Transmission Rates and testimony for Guadalupe Valley Electric COOP

Docket No. 46710

Prepared the 2016/2017 Application for Interim Update of Wholesale Transmission Rates and testimony for Guadalupe Valley Electric COOP.

Docket No. 45414

Prepared a cash working capital study and testimony on behalf of Sharyland Utilities L.P.'s 2016 Rate Application to establish retail distribution rates.

Docket No. 43731

Prepared a cash working capital study and testimony on behalf of Cross Texas Transmission LLC 2015 Rate Application to establish rates.

Docket No. 41474

Prepared a cash working capital study and testimony on behalf of Sharyland Utilities L.P.'s 2013 Rate Application to establish retail distribution rates.

Docket No. 31250

Presented testimony and rate filing on behalf of Rio Grande Electrical Cooperatives 2005 Change in rates for wholesale transmission service.

Docket No. 8702

Assisted in the analysis of Gulf States Utilities 1987 rate request.

Docket 8646

Assisted in the analysis of Central Power & Light's 1988 rate request.

Docket 7661

Assisted in the analysis of the City of Fredericksburg's proposed amendment to Certificate of Convenience.

Docket 7510

Assisted in the analysis of West Texas Utilities Company's 1987 rate request.

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Docket No. ER88-202-0000

Assisted in the analysis of the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Plant Decommissioning.

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# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission-cont.

Docket No. ER88-224-0000

Assisted in the analysis of the Carolina Power & Light Company Atomic Power Plant Decommissioning.

# City of Bryan

• Developed and programmed data management system for the city electric department.

# City of Fredericksburg

- Organized and performed an electric rate survey of Central Texas.
- Assisted in a load and rate design study.

# City of Austin

• Assisted in the analysis of the City Electric Utility Department's 1989 rate request.

# Other Electric Related Engagements

Dynamic Energy Concepts Incorporated

Assisted with the review of electric contracts, tariffs, analyzed usage data and assessed procurement practices for a number of US Veteran Hospitals across the country

# H.E. Butt Grocery Company

Electricity procurement assistance and analysis of supply alternatives

# Martin Marietta Materials

Electricity procurement assistance and analysis of supply alternatives

# C.H. Guenther & Son, Inc.

Electricity procurement assistance and analysis of supply alternatives

# Van Tuvl, Inc.

Electricity procurement assistance and analysis of supply alternatives

# Northeast Texas Electrical Cooperative

- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Power Administration's annual Integrated Power Repayment Studies and resulting rates.
- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Electric Power Company's annual formulary wholesale rate adjustments.

# Tex-La Electric Cooperative

- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Power Administration's annual Integrated Power Repayment Studies and resulting rates.
- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Electric Power Company's annual formulary wholesale rate adjustments

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# Sam Ravburn G&T Electrical Cooperative Other Electric Related Engagements-cont

- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Power Administration's annual Integrated Power Repayment Studies and resulting rates.
- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Power Administration's annual Robert D. Willis Power Repayment Studies and resulting rates.

# East Texas Electrical Cooperative

- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Electric Power Company's annual formulary wholesale rate adjustments
- Ongoing review/analysis of Southwest Power Administration's annual Robert D. Willis Power Repayment Studies and resulting rates.

# WATER UTILITY RATES AND REGULATION EXPERIENCE

# Arizona Corporation Commission

Docket No. WS-01303A-006-0403

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of Arizona-American Sun City and Sun City West Wastewater rate request.

Docket No. WS-01303A-06-0403

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of Arizona-American Anthem/Aqua Fria Water and Wastewater rate request.

Docket No. WS-01303A-06-0014

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study, rate design, and assisted with the preparation of the revenue requirements on behalf of Arizona-American Mohave Water and Wastewater rate request.

Docket No. W-01656A-98-0577, SW-02334A-98-0577

Presented testimony for approval of a Central Arizona Project Water utilization plan, the implementation of a Groundwater Savings Fee and the recovery of deferred project costs.

Docket WS-02334A-98-0569

Presented a filing for the approval of an agreement relating to a wastewater plant de-nitrification project with the Sun City Recreation Centers and Del Webb Corporation.

Docket U-3454-97-599

Prepared and presented a filing for the approval of a CCN to provide water and wastewater services to Del Webb's Anthem project and the approval of two related agreements.

Docket No. E-1032-95-417 ET AL.

Presented testimony and prepared the rate filing on behalf of Citizens Utilities Maricopa County water properties 1995 rate request.

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# Arkansas Public Service Commission

Docket No. 09-130-U

Presented pro forma adjustments to revenues and prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of United Water Arkansas's 2009 rate request.

Docket No. 06-160-U

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of United Water Arkansas's 2006 rate request.

Docket No. 03-161-U

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study, rate design, and assisted with the preparation of the revenue requirements on behalf of United Water Arkansas's 2003 rate request.

# Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control

Docket No. 07-05-44

Prepared the rate filing and supporting testimony on behalf of United Water Connecticut's 2007 water rate request.

#### Public Service Commission of Delaware

PSC Docket No. 16-0163

Presented testimony, prepared the Revenue Requirements Schedules, Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of SUEZ Water Delaware's 2016 rate request

PSC Docket No. 09-60

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of United Water Delaware's 2009 rate request.

PSC Docket No. 06-174

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study, rate design, revenue normalization and cash working capital requirements on behalf of United Water Delaware's 2006 rate request.

#### Idaho Public Utilities Commission

Case No. UWI-W-09-01

Presented testimony, prepared revenue and expense pro forma adjustments, and proposed rate design on behalf of United Water Idaho, Inc. 2010 rate request.

# Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission

Cause No. 41842

Prepared the filing and presented testimony for the Petition of Utility Center Inc. for the recovery of Distribution System Improvement Charges -2001

Cause No. 41559

Prepared the filing and presented testimony for a Certificate of Territorial Authority to render Sewage service.-2000

Cause No. 41968

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Directed the preparation of Utility Center Inc.' request for authority to increase its rates and charges for water and sewer service. -2000

# Illinois Commerce Commission

Docket No. 94-0481

Presented testimony and prepared the filing on behalf of Citizens Utilities Company of Illinois 1994 rate request.

Docket No. 95-0633

Presented testimony on behalf of Citizens Utilities Company of Illinois in Tudor Park Apartments vs. Citizens Utilities of Illinois.- 1995

Docket No. 97-0372

Presented testimony on behalf of Citizens Utilities of Illinois in the Application for Consent to and Approval of a Contract with Affiliated Interests, 1997

# State Board of New Jersey Public Utilities

BPU Docket No. WRO702125

Prepared and presented testimony on the determination of the cash working capital requirements on behalf of United Water New Jerseys 2007 rate request.

#### New Mexico Public Regulation Commission

Case No. 11-00196-UT

Presented testimony and assisted with the preparation of the water rate filing on behalf of New Mexico American Water Company Clovis District

Case No. 09-00156-UT

Presented testimony and prepared the water rate filing on behalf of New Mexico American Water Company **Edgewood District** 

Case No. 07-00435-UT

Presented testimony and prepared the water and wastewater rate filing on behalf of New Mexico Utilities Inc.

Case No. 08-00134-UT

Presented testimony and prepared the water rate filing on behalf of New Mexico -American Water Co.

# New York Public Service Commission

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of United Water New Rochelle's 2010 rate request.

#### Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Docket No. 98-178-WS-AIR

Presented testimony and prepared the filing on behalf of Citizens Utilities Company of Ohio 1998 rate request.

Docket No. 94-1237

Presented testimony and prepared the filing on behalf of Citizens Utilities Company of Ohio 1994 rate request.

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# Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Docket No. R-2009-2122887

Presented testimony, prepared the Cost of Service study and rate design on behalf of United Water Pennsylvania's 2009 rate request.

Docket No. R-00051186

Assisted with analysis/filing preparation of United Water Pennsylvania, Inc. 2005 Rate Case.

Docket No. R-00953300

Presented testimony on behalf of Citizens Utilities Company of Pennsylvania 1995 rate request.

# Texas Commission of Environmental Quality

SOAH Docket 582-14-3415

Application for a 2013 Water Rate/Tariff Change of Canyon Lake Water Service Company Prepared the application and filed testimony on behalf of Canyon Lake WSC.

Texas Commission of Environmental Quality-cont.

SOAH Docket No. 582-14-3384

Application for a 2013 Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of SWWC Inc.

Prepared application on behalf of SWWC, Inc.

SOAH 582-14-3381

Application for a 2013 Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Monarch Utilities LP Prepared application on behalf of SWWC, Inc.

SOAH Docket No. 582-12-0224

STM Application of Monarch Utilities I, L.P. to Transfer Water and Sewer Facilities and Certificates of Convenience and Necessity – provided assistance

Application 37531-R

Application for a Water Rate/Tariff Change of Quadvest L.P. Prepared application on behalf of Quadvest L.P. Prepared application on behalf of Quadvest L.P.

Applications 37507-R and 37508-R

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Ranch Utilities, Inc. Prepared application on behalf of Ranch Utilities, Inc.

Application 37317-R

Application for a Water Rate/Tariff Change of Wiedenfeld Water Works, Inc. Prepared application on behalf of Wiedenfeld Water Works, Inc.

Applications 37234-R and 37235-R

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Aqua Texas, Inc. North and Southwest Regions Prepared application on behalf of Aqua Texas, Inc.

SOAH Docket No. 582-12-0224

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Monarch Utilities LP

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Prepared application on behalf of SWWC, Inc.

Texas Commission of Environmental Quality-cont.

SOAH Docket No. 582-11-1468

Application for a 2010 Water Rate/Tariff Change of Canyon Lake Water Service Company Prepared the application and filed testimony on behalf of Canyon Lake WSC.

SOAH Docket No. 582-11-1458

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Aqua Texas, Inc. Southeast Region Prepared application on behalf of Agua Texas, Inc.

Docket No. 0580-UCR

Application for a 2009 Water Rate/Tariff Change of Canyon Lake Water Service Company Prepared the application on behalf of Canyon Lake WSC.

Docket No. 35850-R

Application for a 2007 Water Rate/Tariff Change of Canyon Lake Water Service Company Prepared the application on behalf of Canyon Lake WSC.

Docket No. 33763-R

Application for a 2007 Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Midway, Inc. For the City of Oak Point Service area. Filing initially made with the City of Oak Point.

Docket Nos. 35748-R & 35747-R

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Monarch Utilities LP Prepared the application on behalf of Monarch.

Docket No. 2006-0072-UCR

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Agua Texas, Inc. Prepared application and presented testimony on behalf of Aqua Texas, Inc.

Docket No. 2007-0478-UCR

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Texas American Water Inc. Prepared the application on behalf of Texas American Water.

Docket No. 2005-0114-UCR

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Aqua Texas, Inc Presented Testimony on behalf of Aqua Texas, Inc.

Docket No. 2004-2029-UCR

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Walker Water Works, Inc. Prepared the application on behalf of Texas American Water.

Application Nos. 34658-R & 34659-R

Application for a Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff Change of Southwest Utilities, Inc.

Prepared the application on behalf of Texas American Water.

Docket Nos. 2000-1074-UCR, 2000-1075-UCR, 2000-1366 UCR through 2000-1369 UCR Assisted in the preparation and presentation of the Aqua Source 2000 rate increase

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# Texas Commission of Environmental Quality-cont.

Application No. 7371-R (Texas Water Commission)

Assisted in the analysis of Southern Utilities 1988 rate request on the behalf of Southern Utilities customers.

### Other Water Related Engagements and Expert Proceedings

Town of Providence Village

Developed Expert Witness Report for Denton County Court Cause No. 2011-60876-393 Analysis of Agreements between Mustang SUD and Providence Village WCID

City of Page, Arizona

Developed retail water and wastewater rate model, recommended retail water and wastewater rates and provided results and recommendations in a written report and presentation to the City of Page Council

Mitchell County Utility

Assist with divestiture of water utility assets

City of Longview

Ongoing assistance with development of annual formulary wholesale water and wastewater treatment rates.

Aqua Texas, Inc.

Ongoing calculation and updates of Regional Uniform CIAC Fees

Dripping Springs WSC, Hays County WCID 1&2

Review and analysis of West Travis County Public Utility Agency wholesale rate cost of service and rate increase 2012.

#### SWWC Inc.

- Decertification analysis and valuation of the CCN for Crosswinds development area.
- Decertification analysis and valuation of the CCN for TXI development area.
- Decertification analysis and valuation of the CCN for Tower Terrace/Kilgore Tract development area.
- Decertification analysis and valuation of the CCN for Villages at Warner Ranch development area.
- Long term forecast of all components of the revenue requirements of all Texas utilities

# Crystal Clear WSC

Decertification analysis and valuation of the CCN for Texas GLO development area around New Braunfels Texas

Woodbine Development Corp.

Analysis and assistance with LCRA Windmill Ranch wholesale wastewater services contract renegotiations.

# Other Water Related Engagements and Expert Proceedings-cont.

#### Rebecca Creek MUD

Before and after rate comparison, analysis and forecast regarding the merger proposed by Canyon Lake Water Supply Company.

#### Global Water Resources

Expert witness before American Arbitration Association regarding the financial standing and regulatory status of Global Water.

# City of Alexandria, Louisiana

Financial review, allocated cost of service and rate study for the water and wastewater systems. Provided results and recommendations in a written report to the City Council.

# City of Clinton, South Carolina

Financial review, allocated cost of service and rate study for the water and wastewater systems. Provided results and recommendations in a written report and presentation to the City Council.

# Corix Utilities

Assistance with bid preparation and analysis regarding the LCRA retail water and wastewater divestiture.

# Golden State Water Company

Assistance with bid concerning divestiture of SWWC Inc.

### United Water Management and Services

Developed report regarding Texas IOU regulation for internal assessment of the Texas water regulatory status.

# Austin Apartment Association

Represented the Multi-Family water and wastewater classes in the City of Austin's Public Involvement Committee to review the 2017 water and wastewater rate study.

### Greater Austin Water Forum

Assisted industrial class water users with analysis and participation in the City of Austin 2008 Cost of Service Study.

#### New Mexico Utilities

Review/analysis and critique report on Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority's Cost of Service Wholesale Wastewater Rate Model

#### Hays County Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 and No. 2

Developed 2015/2016 retail water and wastewater rate model, recommended retail water and wastewater rates and provided results and recommendations in a written report and presentation to the Boards of each utility.

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# **GAS UTILITY RATES AND REGULATION EXPERIENCE**

### Railroad Commission of Texas

GUD Docket 10190

Prepared filing and testimony of behalf of Hughes Natural Gas 2012 rate increase for the environs of the City of Magnolia.

#### GUD Docket 10083

Prepared filing and testimony of behalf of Hughes Natural Gas 2011 rate increase for the incorporated area of the City of Magnolia and environs.

#### **GUD Docket 9731**

Prepared filing and testimony of behalf of Hughes Natural Gas 2007 rate increase for the environs of the City of Magnolia.

#### GUD Docket 9488-9512

Prepared filing and testimony of behalf of West Texas Gas 2004 rate increase for the environs of cities served.

#### **GUD Docket 8033**

Filed testimony on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1991 appeal for a rate increase in South Jefferson County.

#### **GUD Docket 7878**

Filed testimony and prepared the rate filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1991 request for a rate increase in the Austin environs.

#### **GUD Docket 6968**

Assisted in the analysis of Southern Union Gas Company's 1987 appeal for a rate increase on the behalf of the City of Austin

# Oklahoma Corporation Commission

Docket No. 001345

Presented testimony and prepared the rate filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1992 rate request.

# Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Docket No. 2013-2386293

Assisted the University of Pennsylvania with the analysis of Veolia Energy Philadelphia Inc.'s 2013 steam rate case.

#### Docket No. 2009-2111011

Assisted the University of Pennsylvania with the analysis of Trigen-Philadelphia Energy Corp's 2009 steam rate case.

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Docket No. RP09-791-000

Assist municipal customers of MoGas analyze issues in FERC 2009 gas transportation rate case.

#### City of Austin

- Presented testimony and prepared filing as well as conducted settlement negotiations associated with Southern Union's 1993 rate request.
- Presented testimony and prepared filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1991 rate request.
- Assisted in the analysis of Southern Union Gas Company's 1987 rate request on behalf of the City of Austin.

### City of El Paso Public Service Board

- Presented testimony and prepared filing as well as participated in the settlement negotiations of Southern Union's 1993 rate request.
- Presented testimony and prepared filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company 1991 rate request.

# City of El Paso Public Service Board-cont.

Presented testimony and prepared the filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company 1990 request.

#### City of Port Arthur

- Presented testimony and prepared filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1991 rate request.
- Participated in Southern Union Gas Company's 1990 rate request.

# City of Monahans

- Presented testimony and prepared filing on behalf of Southern Unions Gas Company's 1992 rate request.
- Assisted in the analysis of Southern Union Gas Company's 1989 rate request on the behalf of the City of Monahans.

#### City of Borger

- Prepared testimony and prepared the filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1992 rate request.
- Participated in Southern Union Gas Company's 1989 rate request on the behalf of the City of Borger.

# City of Galveston

 Presented testimony and prepared the filing on behalf of Southern Union Gas Company's 1992 rate request.

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# **Other Gas Related Engagements**

Mitchell County Utility
Assist with divestiture of gas utility assets

Hughes Natural Gas
Ongoing assistance with GRIP filings

Markwest Energy Partners
Ongoing transportation rates and regulatory consulting

Consolidated Asset Management Services (CAMS)
Ongoing assistance regarding RRC Transmission pipeline issues

City of Alexandria, Louisiana
Financial review, allocated cost of service and rate study for the gas system.

City of George West, Texas Gas utility rate study

Alamo Transmission
Assisted with initial tariff development and related cost of service

Dynamic Energy Concepts Incorporated

Assisted with the review of gas contracts, tariffs, analyzed usage data and assessed procurement practices for a number of US Veteran Hospitals across the country.