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TARRIF CONTROL NO. 48197

		BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY 18
APPLICATION OF AQUA TEXAS,	§	BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY 18
INC., AQUA UTILITIES, INC., AND	§	FILING
AQUA DEVELOPMENT, INC. DBA	§	COMMISSION OF TEXAS
AQUA TEXAS FOR A MINOR TARIFF	§	•
CHANGE (FEDERAL TAX CREDIT	§	· • _q
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APPLICANT'S REQUEST FOR ACTION ON APPLICATION

COME NOW Aqua Texas, Inc., Aqua Utilities, Inc. (including its subsidiaries Harper Water Company, Inc. and Kerrville South Water Company, Inc.), and Aqua Development, Inc. d/b/a Aqua Texas (Aqua or Applicant) and file this Request for Action on Application.

On August 20, 2018, Aqua, together with the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), filed a Joint Motion to Admit Evidence and Proposed Notice of Approval for the application pending in this docket (Application). On October 11, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice Admitting Evidence. On November 1, 2018, Aqua and Staff filed the Joint Parties' Amended Motion to Admit Evidence. On November 7, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice Admitting Correct Tariff Pages as Evidence. Applicant's Federal Tax Change Credit Rider (FTCCR) rates are in place as interim rates, but a notice of approval has not been issued by the Commission. Further, as part of this process, Staff requested issuance of updated Commission-approved Aqua tariffs. Aqua needs these tariff approvals finalized for a variety of reasons, including to support other Commission applications that require minor tariff changes, and the absence of approved tariffs comprehensively reflecting Aqua's effective rates is causing

administrative challenges.¹ Applicant respectfully requests that a Notice of Approval, along with new approved tariffs, be issued by the Commission for the Application.²

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby CERTIFY that on March 6, 2019, a true and complete copy of the above was sent to all counsel of record in accordance with P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.74

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¹ The tariff approval process used by the Commission for water and sewer utility rate and CCN matters only permits the utility to file *proposed* tariffs. Aqua worked diligently with Staff to ensure the final tariff products that result from this matter are sound. However, Aqua cannot prepare and file tariffs independently and need Commission action for Aqua to have new, complete filed tariffs that reflect the requested FTCCR rates. Aqua plans to use those tariff documents to propose future tariff changes upon approval.

² Aqua has observed that the Commission has "docketed" similar applications filed by other water/sewer utilities. See, e.g., Tariff Control No./Docket No. 48245 — Application of SJWTX, Inc. dba Canyon Lake Water Service Company for a Minor Tariff Change (Federal Tax Credit Rider), Item No. 12 (Nov. 29, 2018). To the extent that is necessary here, Aqua requests that Commission action as well. Aqua requested a docket number at the outset of this matter and received a Tariff Control Number instead. See Letter to Filing Clerk, Item No. 1 (Mar. 22, 2018).