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## COMMISSION STAFF'S SUFFICIENCY RECOMMENDATION

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Commission Staff's Sufficiency Recommendation and would show the following:

#### I. BACKGROUND

On April 30, 2018, Quadvest, L.P. (Quadvest), filed an application for approval to implement a new Federal Tax Change Credit Rider (FTCCR) which will be used to provide a credit to Quadvest customers for bills rendered on or after May 1, 2018. Quadvest developed the FTCCR as a means to pass estimated savings resulting from the federal Tax Cuts and Job Acts of 2017 corporate income tax rate reduction to customers as quickly as possible without a rate case.

On May 2, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice Setting Deadline for Staff, requiring Staff to file a recommendation, or propose a procedural schedule, if necessary by May 30, 2018. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

#### II. STAFF'S SUFFICIENCY RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed Quadvest's application and recommends that the application be found administratively complete. Additionally, Staff has reviewed Quadvest's notice sent to customers on or before May 25, 2018, and recommends that it be found sufficient. The proposed procedural schedule in this pleading includes an intervention deadline of August 1, 2018, therefore, Staff recommends that Quadvest include the following language in its July 1, 2018 billing cycle: "The deadline for intervention on the Federal Tax Change Credit Rider is August 1, 2018."

#### III. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON INTERIM RATES

Staff has reviewed Quadvest's request to apply the FTCCR immediately to all services reflected on bills on or after May 1, 2018 as an interim rate before final approval. Staff recommends that Quadvest's request for an interim rate be approved, effective May 1, 2018, and that the administrative law judge issue an order accordingly.

#### IV. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for Intervention <sup>1</sup>	August 1, 2018
Deadline for Staff to request a hearing, or, if qualified for informal disposition, file a final recommendation	August 15, 2018
Deadline for filing agreed proposed order, if qualified for informal disposition	August 22, 2018

## V. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests that the ALJ issue an order finding the application administratively complete, finding the notice sufficient, adopting the proposed procedural schedule, and approving interim rates effective May 1, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This date will give sufficient time for ratepayers to receive notice and have an opportunity to intervene in the docket.

Respectfully Submitted,

# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF **TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION**

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on this the 30<sup>th</sup> of May, 2018 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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