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APPLICATION OF GUM ISLAND
UTILITY FOR AUTHORITY TO
CHANGE RATES

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ORDER NO. 1 REQUIRING COMMENTS ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND ADDRESSING OTHER PROCEDURAL MATTERS

I. Application

This Order addresses Gum Island Utility's application filed on May 3, 2018, for a rate change under Texas Water Code §13.1871.

II. Applicant Information

Gum Island shall file the following information and supporting documentation on or before May 13, 2018:

- 1. The legal name and all assumed names, if any, under which the applicant conducts business. If the applicant uses an assumed name, provide a currently valid certificate of assumed name.
- 2. The form of business in Texas *(e.g.,* corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship). Charter or Authorization number, date business was formed, and date change was made (if applicable).
- 3. Legal name of parent company, if any, and a description of its primary business interests and the name of any companies affiliated with the applicant with which it does any business. Provide the state and date in which the parent company is registered. (*The Commission requires registration with the Secretary of State for all forms of business, except sole proprietorships.*)

III. Requiring Comments on Administrative Completeness of the Application and Notice

Consistent with 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.8(a), the application shall be reviewed for administrative completeness within 30 calendar days of receipt of the application. An application is not considered filed with the Commission until a determination of administrative completeness is made. By June 1, 2018, Commission Staff shall file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and notice.

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IV. Requesting Procedural Schedule

In addition, by June 1, 2018, the applicant and Commission Staff shall file comments regarding how this application should be processed and propose a procedural schedule, if appropriate.

V. Discovery

Discovery may proceed informally; however, objections to Requests for Information (RFIs) must be filed and served within 10 days of receiving the RFI. Objections shall include a statement that negotiations were conducted diligently and in good faith. If the parties are unable to resolve a discovery dispute, a motion to compel a response to an RFI must be filed and served within five working days of receipt of an objection. The motion to compel shall specify the grounds for the motion.

VI. Filing Requirements

Unless otherwise specified, an original and 10 copies of documents relating to this proceeding must be filed with the Commission filing clerk according to 16 TAC § 22.71. A copy of each document filed with the Commission must also be served on all parties as provided in 16 TAC § 22.74. All filings can be accessed on the PUC Interchange, <u>http://interchange.puc.texas.gov</u>.

All parties shall provide their current addresses, telephone and fax numbers, if available, to all other parties and the Commission by filing and serving all parties with such information. Each party shall provide the Commission and all parties with updated address, telephone, and fax information if such information changes. The telephone and fax numbers will be placed on the service list for this proceeding. Parties are responsible for updating their own service lists to reflect changed information and the addition of any other parties.

VII. Ex Parte Communications

Under 16 TAC § 22.3(b)(2), ex parte communications with the administrative law judges and presiding officer are prohibited. Parties shall communicate with the ALJs only through written documents filed with the Commission's Filing Clerk and served on all parties. Questions concerning this order or any other order must be submitted in writing, filed with the Commission, and served on all parties of record. Signed at Austin, Texas the _____ day of May 2018.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

Jayson Pearson ____ MAYS **ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

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