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**APPLICATION OF GUM ISLAND
UTILITY FOR AUTHORITY TO
CHANGE RATES**

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COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Commission Staff's Request for Extension of Time and would show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On May 3, 2018, Gum Island Utility Company (Gum Island) filed an application as "Whitewing" utility for a Class B rate change. On May 30, 2018, the administrative law judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 2, finding the application and notice deficient and suspending the effective date of the requested rate change in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.1871(e) and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.26(b)(1).

On August 8, 2018, the ALJ issued Order No. 6, finding the application administratively complete and suspending the effective date of the rate change to 265 days from the date of Gum Island Utility's new proposed effective date. On February 12, 2019, the Commission referred this docket to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). On March 13, 2019, the Commission issued a request that the SOAH ALJ dismiss the proceeding and remand it back to the Commission for further processing. On March 14, 2019, the SOAH ALJ issued Order No. 2 dismissing the proceeding from the SOAH docket and remanding it to the Commission. On April 25, 2019, the ALJ issued Order No. 9, requiring Commission Staff to file its own responses to the 10 questions listed in Commission Staff's status report and a recommendation on the further processing of this docket on or before June 5, 2019. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.4(b), Staff may request that the time allowed for filing any documents be extended for good cause. Staff requires additional time to review Gum Island's responses and to formulate its recommendation on the further processing of this docket.

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Consequently, Staff respectfully requests an extension to file its response to Order No. 9 to on or before June 19, 2019.

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests an order consistent with its request.

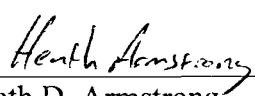
Date: June 5, 2019

Respectfully Submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION**

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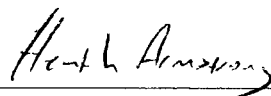
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on June 5, 2019, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.


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