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**RATEPAYERS' APPEAL OF THE
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WATER DISTRICT TO CHANGE
RATES**

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**STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
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PARTIES' REQUEST TO CANCEL THE PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC), representing the public interest, and files this Request to Cancel the Pre-Hearing Conference.

I. BACKGROUND

On January 29, 2019, a group of homeowners in the South Island Golf Course (Petitioners) filed this appeal of the rates charged by the Laguna Madre Water District for raw (untreated) irrigation water. In their first petition, Petitioners alleged that the rates charged by Laguna Madre violated Texas Water Code (TWC) §§ 13.043 and 13.186.

On March 8, 2019, Petitioners filed a first amended petition. The first amended petition abandons the claims under TWC §§ 13.043 and 13.186 and asserts that the Commission should, under the authority vested by TWC § 12.013, set the rate for the raw water Petitioners buy from Laguna Madre for irrigation use.

On July 22, 2019, the SOAH Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 3 which set a prehearing conference for 9:30 am on September 6, 2019.

II. PARTIES' REQUEST TO CANCEL THE PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

All parties to this case have conferred and agreed to abide by the attached Proposed Procedural Schedule. Therefore, parties respectfully request that the ALJ issue an order canceling the Pre-Hearing Conference scheduled for 9:30 am on September 6, 2019. Parties also respectfully request that the ALJ issue an order adopting the procedural schedule.

III. CONCLUSION

Parties respectfully requests that the ALJ cancel the Pre-Hearing Conference scheduled for September 6, 2019 and issue an order adopting the procedural schedule.

Respectfully Submitted,

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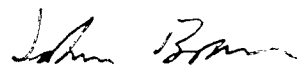


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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



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PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

EVENT	DEADLINE
Laguna Madre's Direct Testimony	November 4, 2019
Objections to Laguna Madre's Direct Testimony	November 11, 2019
Replies to Objections to Laguna Madre's Direct Testimony	November 18, 2019
SPI's Direct Testimony or Statement of Position	December 2, 2019
Objections to SPI's Direct Testimony	December 9, 2019
Replies to Objections to SPI's Direct Testimony	December 16, 2019
Staff's Direct Testimony	January 13, 2020
Objections to Staff's Direct Testimony	January 20, 2020
Replies to Objections to Staff's Direct Testimony	January 27, 2020
Laguna Madre's Rebuttal Testimony	February 3, 2020
Objections to Laguna Madre's Rebuttal Testimony	February 12, 2020
Deadline for written requests for discovery	February 19, 2020
Replies to objections to Laguna Madre's Rebuttal Testimony	February 26, 2020
Identification of Witnesses that will be subject to Cross-Examination at the Hearing on the Merits	March 4, 2020
Hearing on the Merits	April 8-10, 2020 or April 15-17, 2020