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COMPLAINT OF CHAD SWAHN
AGAINST SHADY OAKS WATER
SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC

\$ BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

\$ OF
SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC
\$ ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

## COMMISSION STAFF'S COMMENTS ON ABATEMENT AND A PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

**COMES NOW** the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files these Comments on Abatement and a Proposed Procedural Schedule. In support, Staff shows the following:

### I. BACKGROUND

On December 16, 2019, Chad Swahn (Mr. Swahn) filed a complaint against Shady Oaks Water Supply Company, LLC (Shady Oaks) alleging overcharges for water service. On November 5, 2020, Staff filed a Motion for Sanctions and to Lift Abatement stating that Staff would file an amended proposed procedural schedule by November 20, 2020.

On November 10, 2020 the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed SOAH Order No. 6, stating that Staff's request to lift abatement will be considered after the parties file a proposed amended procedural schedule as indicated in Staff's motion. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

# II. COMMENTS ON ABATEMENT AND A PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff indicated in its Motion for Sanctions that Staff and the parties would file a new amended procedural schedule by November 20, 2020. However, because a ruling on Staff's Motion for Sanctions will determine whether Shady Oaks will be allowed to file direct testimony, Staff requests that that self-imposed deadline be extended. Staff requests that the parties be given ten calendar days after an order on Staff's Motion for Sanctions is issued to file an amended proposed procedural schedule in this docket.

#### III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order consistent with the foregoing motion.

Dated: November 20, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on November 20, 2020, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Robert Dakota Parish
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