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APPLICATION OF MONARCH
UTILITIES I, L.P. FOR AUTHORITY
TO CHANGE RATES

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS



**COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO MONARCH UTILITIES I, L.P.
QUESTION NOS. STAFF 2-1 THROUGH STAFF 2-6**

Pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.144, the Commission Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) requests that Monarch Utilities I, L.P., by and through its attorneys of record, provide the following information and answer the following question(s) under oath. The question(s) shall be answered in sufficient detail to fully present all of the relevant facts, within the time limit provided by the Presiding Officer or within 20 days, if the Presiding Officer has not provided a time limit. Please copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. These question(s) are continuing in nature, and if there is a relevant change in circumstances, submit an amended answer, under oath, as a supplement to your original answer. State the name of the witness in this cause who will sponsor the answer to the question and can vouch for the truth of the answer.

Provide responses to the Requests for Information by filing with the Commission solely through the Interchange on the Commission's website and provide notice, by email, to all other parties that the pleading or document has been filed with the Commission, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer pursuant to the Order Suspending Rules in Docket No. 50664.

Dated: August 25, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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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 August 25, 2020, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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DEFINITIONS

- A. "Monarch," "Company," or "you" refers to Monarch Utilities I, L.P. and any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf, including without limitation, attorneys, agents, advisors, investigators, representatives, employees or other persons.
- B. "Document" includes any written, recorded, or graphic matter, however produced or reproduced, including but not limited to correspondence, telegrams, contracts, agreements, notes in any form, memoranda, diaries, voice recording tapes, microfilms, pictures, computer media, work papers, calendars, minutes of meetings or other writings or graphic matter, including copies containing marginal notes or variations of any of the foregoing, now or previously in your possession. In the event any documents requested by this Request for Information have been transferred beyond the Company's control, describe the circumstances under which the document was destroyed or transferred and provide an exact citation to the subject document. In the event that documents containing the exact information do not exist, but documents do exist which contain portions of the required information or which contain substantially similar information, then the definition of "documents" shall include the documents which do exist and these documents will be provided.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.144(c)(2), Staff requests that answers to the requests for information be made under oath.
- 2) Please copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. State the name of the witness in this cause who will sponsor the answer to the question and can vouch for the truth of the answer.
- 3) These questions are continuing in nature, and if there is a relevant change in circumstances, submit an amended answer, under oath, as a supplement to your original answer.
- 4) Words used in the plural shall also be taken to mean and include the singular. Words used in the singular shall also be taken to mean and include the plural.
- 5) The present tense shall be construed to include the past tense, and the past tense shall be construed to include the present tense.
- 6) If any document is withheld under any claim of privilege, please furnish a list identifying each document for which a privilege is claimed, together with the following information: date, sender, recipients or copies, subject matter of the document, and the basis upon which such privilege is claimed.
- 7) Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.144(h)(4), if the response to any request is voluminous, please provide a detailed index of the voluminous material.
- 8) Staff requests that each item of information be made available as it is completed, rather than upon completion of all information requested.

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- Staff 2-1** Please provide an itemized asset reconciliation for Monarch water and sewer assets that starts with the beginning balances for original cost, original service life, annual depreciation expense, accumulated depreciation and net plant, beginning with the amounts that were a result of the settlement reached in Docket No. 45570¹ with a test year end of June 30, 2015, to the ending balances of these amounts as of December 31, 2019, the test year end for Docket No. 50944.
- Staff 2-2** Please provide itemized asset schedule for all Monarch water and sewer asset retirements since June 30, 2015. For each individual asset retired, include the date each asset was removed from service, all adjusting journal entries, the service life for each asset at the time of retirement and the reason the asset was removed from service.
- Staff 2-3** Please provide itemized asset schedule for all Monarch water and sewer asset additions since June 30, 2015. For each individual asset added, include the date each asset was added to service, all adjusting journal entries, and the service life assigned to each asset at the time of addition. Identify if the added asset is a replacement and specify the replaced asset.
- Staff 2-4** Please provide an itemized asset reconciliation for SWWC Utilities Inc. dba Water Services Inc. water and sewer assets that starts with the beginning balances for original cost, annual depreciation expense, accumulated depreciation and net plant, that are a result of settlement reached in Docket No. 47736² with a test year end of December 31, 2016, to the ending balances of these amounts as of December 31, 2019, the test year end for Docket No. 50944.
- Staff 2-5** Please provide an itemized asset schedule for all SWWC Utilities Inc. dba Water Services Inc. water and sewer asset retirements since December 31, 2016. For each individual asset retired, include the date each asset was removed from service, all adjusting journal entries, the service life for each asset at the time of retirement and the reason the asset was removed from service.

¹ *Application of Monarch Utilities I, L.P. for Authority to Change Rates for Water and Sewer Service, Docket No. 45570, Order (Aug. 21, 2017).*

² *Application of SWWC Utilities, Inc. dba Water Services, Inc for Authority to Change Rates, Docket No. 47736, Order (Oct. 16, 2019).*

Staff 2-6 Please provide itemized asset schedule for all SWWC Utilities Inc. dba Water Services Inc. water and sewer asset additions since December 31, 2016. For each individual asset added, include the date each asset was added to service, all adjusting journal entries, and the service life assigned to each asset at the time of addition. Identify if the added asset is a replacement and specify the replaced asset.