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FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE

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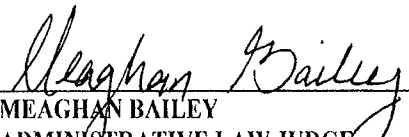
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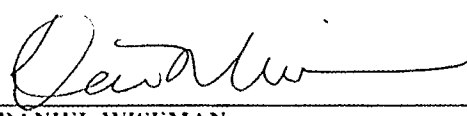
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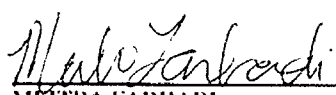
On February 2, 2021, Monarch Utilities I, L.P, the staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), and the Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC) (collectively, the Parties) filed an Agreed Motion to Abate and Request for Expedited Ruling. The Parties indicated they are currently finalizing a settlement agreement that includes a proposed final order, and that they are requesting an abatement of the adopted post-hearing briefing schedule to allow adequate time to finalize the settlement agreement. The Parties also indicated that Staff and OPUC unsuccessfully attempted to reach Kathy Nielsen, the sole self-represented intervenor in this proceeding, to obtain her consent to this filing.

The Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) find the Parties request has merit. Accordingly, the motion is **GRANTED** and the post-hearing briefing scheduled is **ABATED**. It is further **ORDERED**, that the Parties **SHALL** file, **no later than February 16, 2021**, either a proposed order, applicable final tariff, and motion to remand the case to the Commission or a status report sufficient to update the ALJs as to the status of the Parties settlement negotiations. The Parties **SHALL** include in their filing an update on their attempts to contact Ms. Nielsen, and if applicable, her position on the Parties settlement negotiations.

**SIGNED: February 2, 2021.**

  
MEAGHAN BAILEY  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

  
DANIEL WISEMAN  
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