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COMPLAINT OF JOHN BLALOCK AGAINST MERCY WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION PUBLIC UTILIFFY COMMISSION

OF TEXAS

COMMISSION STAFF'S MEDIATION STATEMENT

On August 27, 2020, John Blalock (Mr. Blalock) filed a complaint against Mercy Water Supply Corporation (Mercy WSC) under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.242 regarding water service.

On April 5, 2021, this docket was referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings for a formal hearing on the merits.

On May 4, 2021, the SOAH administrative law judges (ALJs) filed SOAH Order No. 3, establishing a deadline of May 11, 2021 for Mr. Blalock, Mercy WSC, and Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff) (collectively, parties) to submit alternate dates for a prehearing conference. On May 11, 2021, Mercy WSC filed the parties' proposed procedural schedule, which included a deadline of May 11, 2021 for the parties to file mediation statements. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. MEDIATION STATEMENT

Staff believes that mediation is an appropriate avenue to resolve this matter. Therefore, Staff is unopposed to any request to mediate from Mr. Blalock or Mercy WSC.

II. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully states that it is unopposed to mediation of this docket.

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Dated: May 11, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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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 May 11, 2021, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Justin C. Adkins
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