## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

Docket No.: W-1297, Sub 14

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

| MRT-1, LLC,    |                | )<br>)   |
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|                | Complainant,   | ) AMENDED RESPONSE TO ) MOTION TO CONTINUE HEARING |
| <b>v.</b>      |                | ) FILED BY RESPONDENT AND CONSENT TO MEDIATION     |
| HARKERS ISLAND | SEWER COMPANY, | )<br>)   |
|                | Respondent.    | )<br>)   |

NOW COMES Complainant MRT-1, LLC, by and through counsel, and hereby amends its initial response to the Motion to Continue Hearing filed by Respondent on April 13, 2021 in the above-referenced proceeding, and further provides notice of its consent to a mediated settlement conference to be conducted in the interim period of time (the "Motion").

In light of Counsel for Respondent's thoughtful request for a continuance of the hearing in the above-captioned matter for the purposes of conducting a mediated settlement conference (filed on April 14, 2021), Complainant hereby respectfully amends its prior response opposing the Motion.

Complainant believes in the value of mediation and, pursuant to Counsel for Respondent's request to participate in such, hereby consents to a short continuance of a hearing in this matter for the approximate time period of thirty (30) days, for the purposes of allowing a mediated settlement conference to take place in the interim and prior to a hearing on this matter.

In connection with any continuance of a hearing as requested by Respondent and consented to by Complainant, Complainant hereby requests the Commission also extend Complainant's deadline to file rebuttal testimony and cross examination exhibits so as to avoid unnecessarily expending attorney time and effort on preparing for a hearing, and for such extension be for a period of time not exceeding seven (7) days following the completion of such mediation.

This the 14th day of April, 2021.

Electronically submitted

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing Response to Motion to Continue on the parties of record by electronic mail to the following:

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This the 14th day of April, 2021.

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