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Ms. M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325

Via Electronic Filing

Re: Aqua North Carolina, Inc.

Response to Public Staff's Motion for Clarification

Docket No. W-218, Sub 497

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

On May 9, 2019, the Public Staff filed a Motion for Clarification regarding Ordering Paragraph No. 25 of the Commission's Rate Case Order which was issued in Docket No. W-218, Sub 497 on December 18, 2018. Specifically, the Public Staff states that:

The Public Staff would like to obtain clarification as to how much of the \$2,000,925 CIAC that Aqua collected from Buffalo Creek developments through the evidentiary hearing date for the 333,671 gallon per day of capacity to be purchased from Johnston County (first full paragraph Commission Order page 80), was included as CIAC reducing rate base in the Commission's December 18, 2018 Order. The Order did not specifically state.

The Public Staff asserts its belief that the Commission included the entire \$2,000,924 (less amortization) as CIAC thereby reducing rate base and asks the Commission if this is correct.

The parties to this case have been authorized to file responses to the Public Staff's Motion for Clarification by Tuesday, May 14, 2019.

Aqua North Carolina, Inc. has no specific response to file at this time to the Public Staff's Motion, but takes this opportunity to advise the Commission and the parties to this case that the Company reserves the right to file a response to the Commission's order on clarification and/or any subsequent filing by the Public Staff containing comments on the Company's March 15, 2019 compliance filing (Affidavit of Edward P. Thill, Controller II, Aqua North Carolina, Inc. Concerning Future Accounting Treatment of Johnston County Transmission and Capacity Fees).

Further, I hereby certify that the parties to the Sub 497 case have today been served with a copy of this request by electronic mail.

As always, thank you and your staff for your assistance; please feel free to contact me if there are any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

<u>Electronically Submitted</u>
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c: Parties of Record (Docket No. W-218, Sub 497)