## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Aqua	)	
Ohio, Inc., for Authority to Assess a System	)	
Improvement Charge in the Lake / Masury /	)	Case No. 18-0337-WW-SIC
Prior American / Prior Mohawk / Prior	)	
Tomahawk Properties.	)	

## MOTION TO SET BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING

In accordance with Ohio Admin. Code 4901-1-12, Aqua Ohio, Inc. (Aqua) respectfully requests that the Attorney Examiner approve the parties' waiver of cross-examination of witnesses and set an expedited briefing schedule of December 21 for post-hearing briefs. Aqua also requests expedited treatment of this motion. Good cause to grant this motion is set forth in the following memorandum in support.

## **MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT**

On March 1, 2018, Aqua filed an application for authority to collect a system improvement charge (SIC) for water service in its Lake Erie and Masury Divisions, and its service areas formerly served by Ohio American Water Company, Mohawk Utilities, Inc., and Tomahawk Utilities, Inc. On November 8, 2018, Aqua and Staff filed a stipulation and recommendation (Stipulation), resolving the remaining issues in the proceeding. The Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC), which intervened as a party in this proceeding, did not sign the Stipulation. On November 21, the Attorney Examiner issued an Entry setting a deadline of December 10, 2018, for the filing of testimony in this matter, and scheduling a hearing to commence on December 17.

Following discussions with both Staff and OCC, and to permit the prompt resolution of this proceeding, the parties have discussed and agreed to the following:

- The parties agree to waive cross-examination and will stipulate to the admission of all direct testimony filed on December 10.
- On December 17, the parties will attend the hearing, confirm the waiver of cross-examination, and move for the admission of the pre-filed testimony into the record.
- On December 21, parties will file post-hearing briefs.

Staff and OCC support this motion. Due to the compressed timeframe, Aqua requests an expedited ruling on this motion. Aqua has contacted Staff and OCC, and can certify that no party objects to the issuance of a ruling on this motion without the filing of memoranda.

For the foregoing reasons, Aqua request that the Commission grant this motion and Aqua's request for expedited treatment, set the procedural schedule as proposed herein, and any other necessary and proper relief.

Dated: December 12, 2018 Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail this 12th day

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