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**MISS. PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION**

RE: Punkin Water Association / MS Public Service Commission Number 2018-AD-36, Melanie Rube, et al.

Dear Ms. Collier:

This is the December 2018 report required by the May 18, 2018, post-hearing Order in the above-referenced action.

On December 11, 2018, Commissioner Brandon Presley held a status hearing regarding the actions taken by Punkin Water Association ("Punkin") since the May 18, 2018, post-hearing Order was issued. Updates were given regarding each action item.

Punkin meets on the second Monday of every month, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' room in the Lafayette County Chancery Building.

A copy of the by-laws was provided to each member who requested them at the first PSC hearing. Those by-laws are provided to new members, and they are available online at <http://punkinwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/BYLAWS-of-PUNKIN-WATER-ASSOCIATION.pdf>.

At the hearing, Punkin expressed a desire to further explore options to obtain a new source of water. The options include moving forward with a connection to the City of Oxford, as well as drilling new wells. Punkin is exploring those options.

At the hearing, Mike Falkner, Punkin's engineer, provided details about improvements to Punkin's operations which were formulated in conjunction with representatives from the Mississippi Rural Water Association and the Mississippi Department of Health. Filter media at treatment plants was replaced and the order of treatment for iron was changed. Further, a discussion was held regarding the formulation of a comprehensive flushing program. Tom Abernathy from the Rural Water Association and Eric Williams from the Department of Health attended the meeting at the request of Punkin and were available to provide input.

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An update was given regarding the development of punkinwater.com—Punkin's website. In addition to the website, Punkin has an email list and a Facebook group to help in communicating with its members.

On December 17, 2018, work started on the project to replace the line on County Road 415 (Punkin Road), which has been discussed in detail in prior reports.

On December 18, 2018, the Board held a special meeting to appoint Max Hill as Punkin's new Secretary. The Board looks forward to Mr. Hill becoming involved in a more formal way with Punkin's operations.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL COKER HORTON & BELL, P.A.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Woods", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark C. Woods

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