



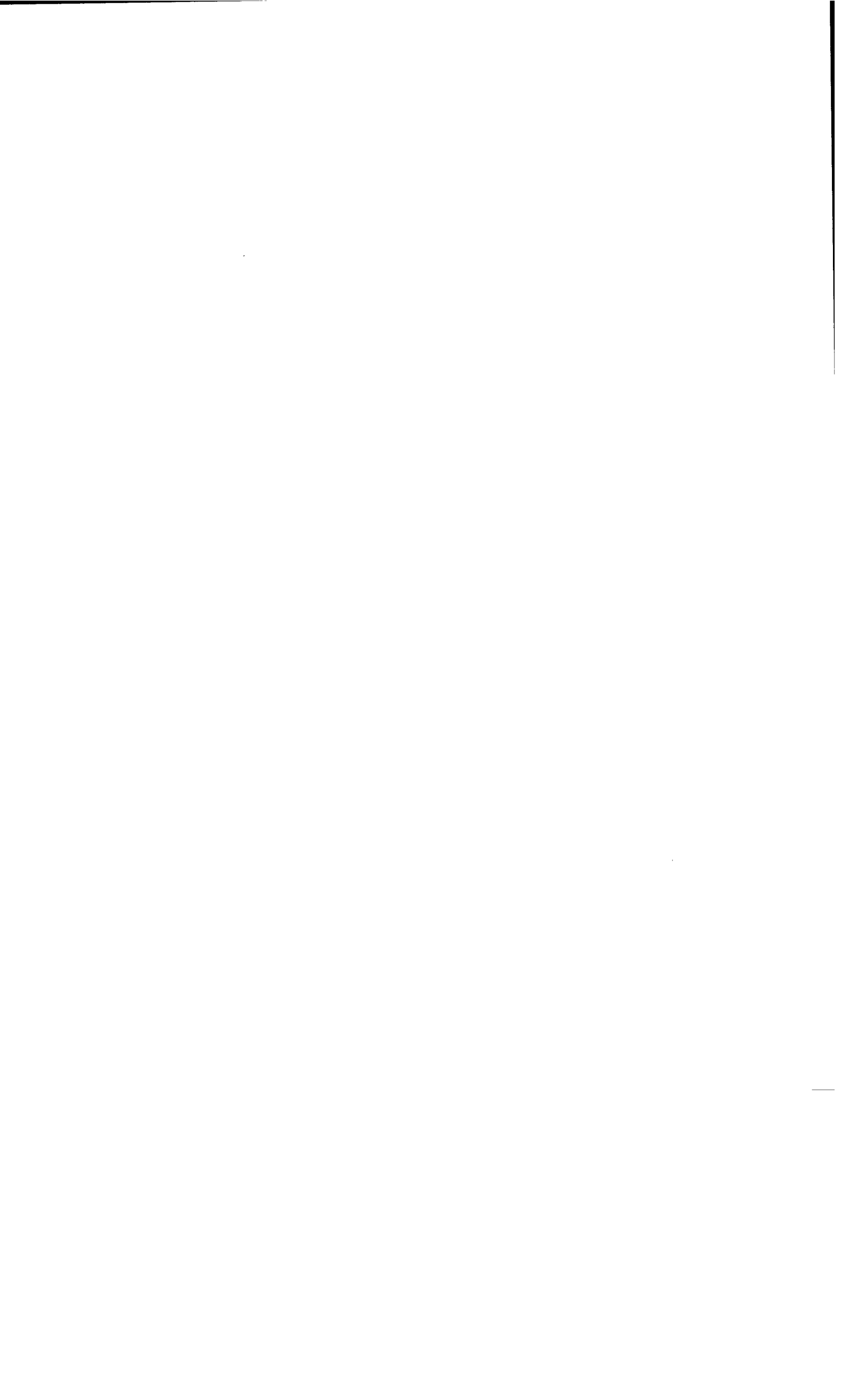
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House Bill (HB) 1600 and Senate Bill (SB) 567 83rd
Legislature, Regular Session, transferred the functions
relating to the economic regulation of water and sewer
utilities from the TCEQ to the PUC effective
September 1, 2014.



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May 23, 2013

Mr. Mark Zeppa, Attorney
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Re: Water Rate/Tariff Change Application of Douglas Utility Company, Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11369 Harris County; Application No. 37554-R.

Sewer Rate/Tariff Change Application of Douglas Utility Company, Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 20527 Harris County; Application No. 37555-R

CN: 600693022; RN: 102676509 (water) 101260453 (sewer)

Dear Mr. Mark Zeppa:

Thank you for your response received on April 23, 2013, regarding the above referenced applications. Your applications have been accepted for filing and assigned Application Nos. 37554-R and 37555-R. Please refer to these numbers in future correspondence.

Your new rates may go into effect on May 12, 2013. Your new effective date must be at least 60 days following the date your completed applications were mailed to us and correct notice is mailed or delivered to the customers. The effective date of the new rates must be the first day of the billing period, and the new rates may not apply to service provided before the effective date of the new rates.

The application will be scheduled for a hearing if:

- the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) receives complaints from at least 10% of the ratepayers within 90 days of the effective date of the rate increase, or
- TCEQ staff protests
- the application on its own motion.

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You will be notified if a hearing is scheduled. If, during the course of a hearing, rates are set which are different from the rates charged by the Utility, you may be required to refund or credit future bills. The refund or credit will include all sums collected during the pendency of the rate proceeding in excess of the rate finally ordered, plus interest, as determined by the TCEQ.

If TCEQ does not receive the required number of complaints within 90 days of the effective date, and the staff does not require a hearing, you will receive another letter or notification from TCEQ so informing you, along with your approved tariff.

Please contact the staff listed below if you have any questions. Include MC-153 in the address if you contact TCEQ by correspondence.

Ms. Sheresia Perryman at (512)239-3654 or by e-mail at sheresia.perryman@tceq.texas.gov

Ms. Heidi Graham at (512)239-0844 or by e-mail at heidi.graham@tceq.texas.gov.

Sincerely,



Tammy Benter, Manager
Utilities and Districts Section
Water Supply Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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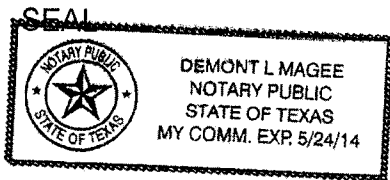
COUNTY OF Harris

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE

I, Carol Zieben, am the President of Douglas Utility Company. I certify and attest that the attached errata notice was sent to all affected customers and other parties at their addresses as recorded in the utility's normal business records by prepaid, United States mail on or about the 22 day of April 2013

Carol Zieben
Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO under oath by Carol Zieben before the undersigned notary public on the 17 day of April 2013 in witness of which I place my hand and seal of office.



Demont Magee
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the
State of Texas

Demont Magee
(print or type name)

Commission expires: 05/24/14

ERRATA NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE

Applications No. 37554-R and 37555-R

Douglas Utility Company

11369 and 20527

Company Name

CCN Numbers

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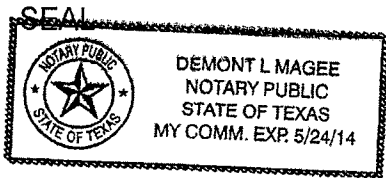
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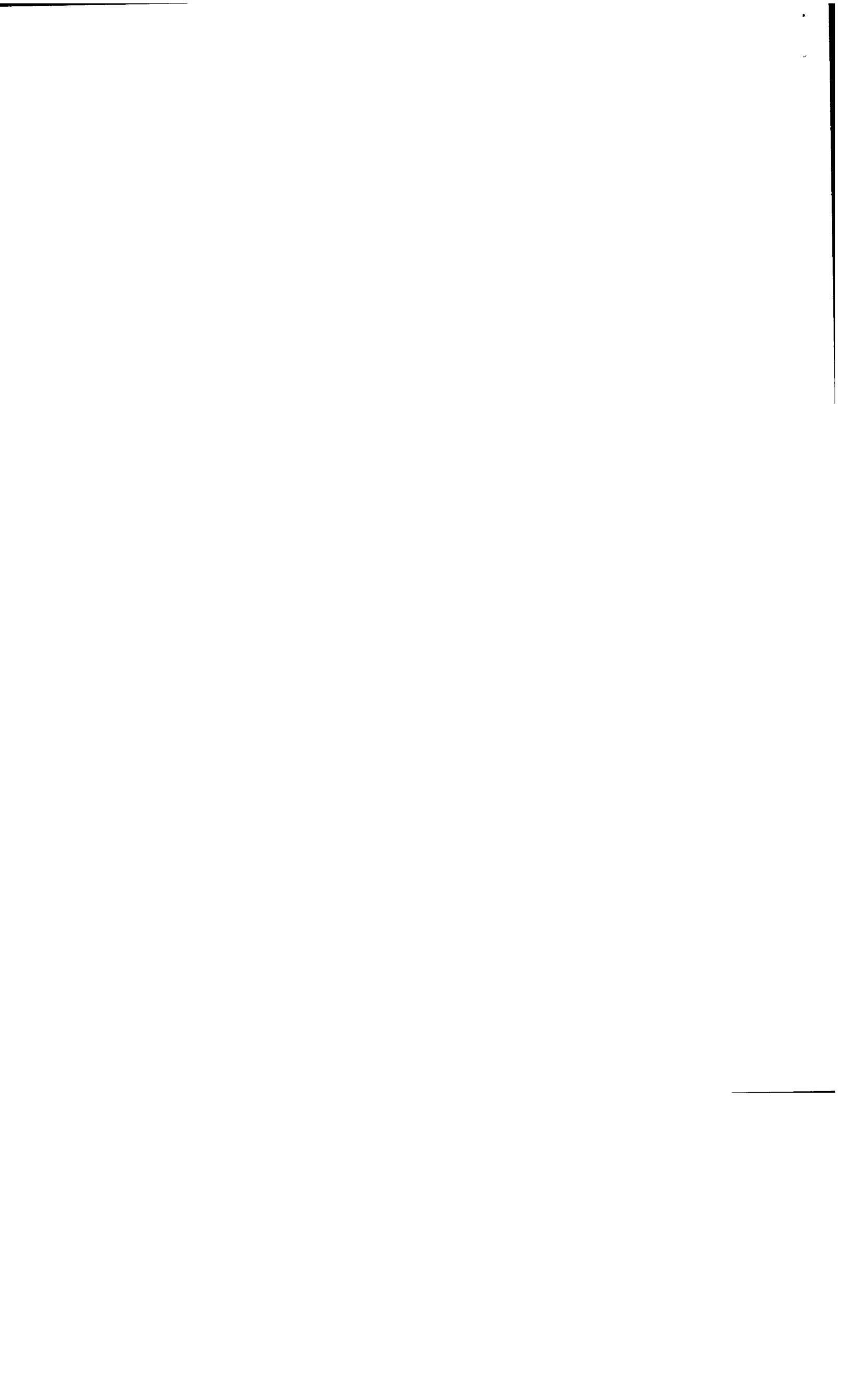
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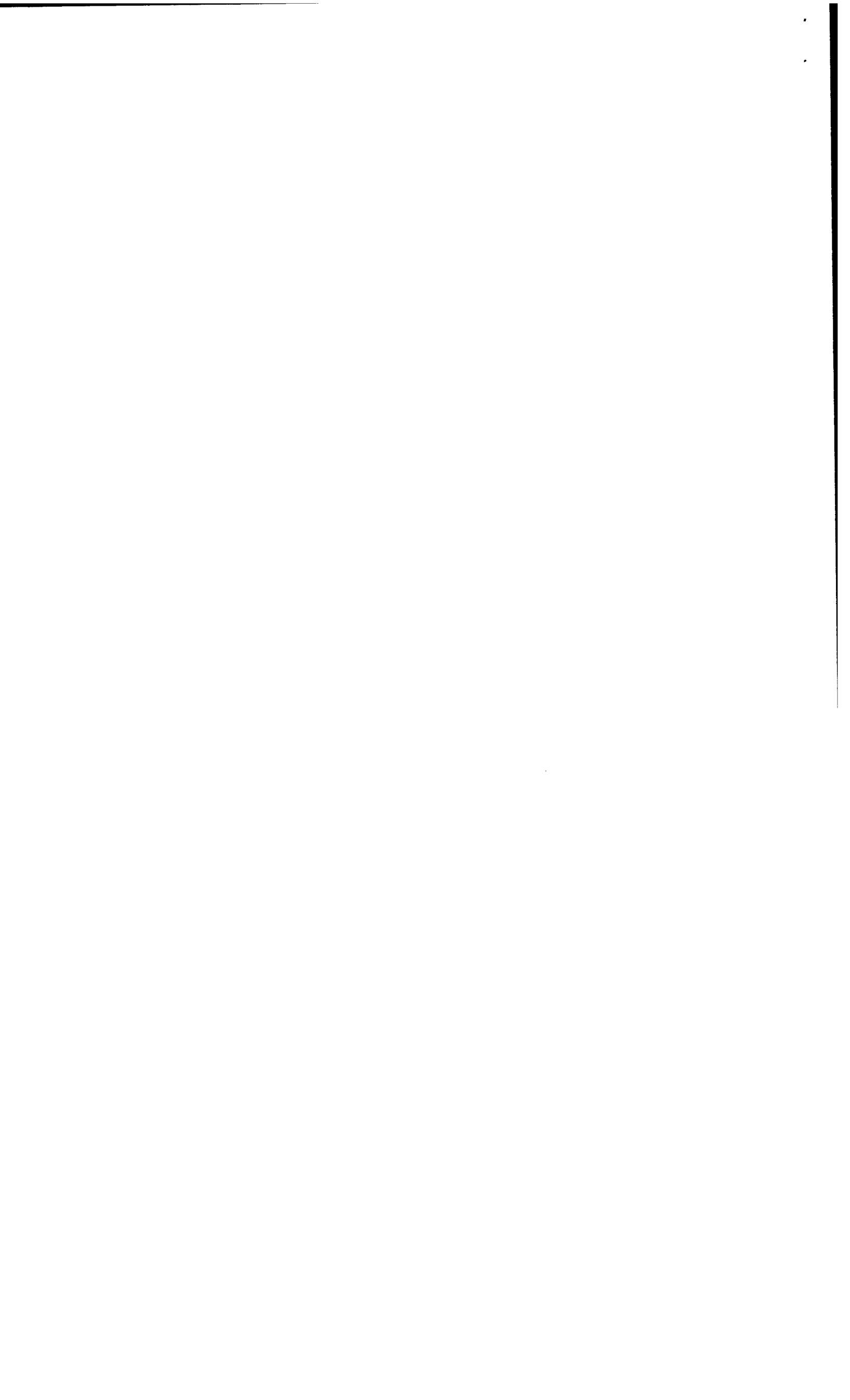
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NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

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Dear Mr. Mark Zeppa:

Your rate change applications received on March 12, 2013, have been assigned Application Nos. 37554-R and 37555-R, for water and sewer, respectively, but has not been accepted for filing. Please refer to these numbers in future correspondence.

Based on an administrative review of your applications, page 5 of the Notice of Proposed Rate Change-Sewer, under Miscellaneous Fees, shows the current residential tap fee as \$650.00 however, the TCEQ approved tariff shows the tap fee as \$350.00.

We are not suspending the effective date of your rate change, however, you are required to send a notarized "**errata notice**" to all affected customers by mail or billing inserts indicating the minor error found on the notice to customers.

An original and three (3) copies of the notarized affidavit and **errata notice** to customers must be submitted to our office by **May 2, 2013**. If all items are not received by this date, the applications will be returned for failure to prosecute.

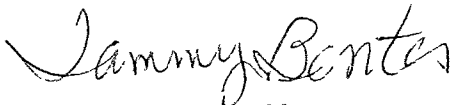
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How is our customer service? tceq.texas.gov/customersurvey

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If you have any further questions, please contact Ms. Heidi Graham at (512)239-0844 or Ms. Sheresia Perryman at (512)239-3654. If you contact TCEQ by correspondence, include MC 153 in the letterhead address.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tammy Benter".

Tammy Benter, Manager
Utilities and Districts Section
Water Supply Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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cc: Herbert Zieben, Douglas Utility Company