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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COM	MISSION
THRALL TO AMEND A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE	§ 8		2016 JAH 22 PM 2: 28
IN WILLIANSON COUNTY (36627-C)	U	OF	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION FILING CLERK
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STATUS UPDATE AND REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest and files this Status Update and Request for Additional Time. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

On January 28, 2010, the City of Thrall (Thrall or Applicant) filed with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) an application (Application) to amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 13036 in Williamson County pursuant to Tex. Water Code §§ 13.242 thru 13.250 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 24.101 thru 24.107(TAC). The Application was received by the Commission on September 5, 2014.

Thrall provided notice of the Application and received hearing requests from two affected parties. The matter was referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) and a preliminary hearing was held at SOAH on January 5, 2011 where, aside from the TCEQ, NOACK WSC, and Stiles Farm were named as parties. The parties engaged in settlement negotiations for a protracted period of time and initiated formal discovery when settlement seemed unlikely. However, the parties reached a settlement on October 11, 2012, and SOAH remanded the case to TCEQ for further processing on October 23, 2012. For reasons unknown to Staff, a final order from TCEQ cannot be found.

Order No. 10 allowed Staff until January 22, 2016 to file a status update. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

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II. STATUS UPDATE AND REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

The parties continue to communicate with Staff in an effort to finalize this matter. Staff requests additional time to work with the parties on a joint proposed notice of approval. Staff is in the process of drafting the proposed notice of approval and will circulate it with the parties in the coming week. Staff proposes to file proposed notice of approval or status update by March 3, 2016.

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the ALJ issue an order consistent with the above request.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record January 22, 2016 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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