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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF	§	BEFORE HE STATE OFFICE
DORCHESTER TO AMEND A	§	
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE	§	OF
AND NECESSITY IN GRAYSON	§	
COUNTY (37917-C)	§	ADMINSTRATIVE HEARINGS

# CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS' RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO WALTON TEXAS, LP'S MOTON TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW, the City of Howe, Texas' (City) Response in Opposition to Walton Texas, LP's Motion to Intervene and respectfully shows the following:

#### Background

The City of Howe, Texas, requested a public hearing back on January 11, 2016 to seek clarification of CCN mapping submitted by the City of Dorchester, Texas (Dorchester) showing an overlap of CCN in an area near Highway 902, which is in the upper portion of the mapping submitted by Dorchester. The City of Howe seeks to preserve and protect its CCN which was preexisting.

# Walton Intervention Should Be Denied

Walton Texas, LP's (Walton) request for intervention should be denied.

Walton's request for intervention does not follow proper procedural rules for a motion. TAC 155.305.

Further, the request and motion to intervene is late and untimely. TAC 22.104. Walton has failed to intervene before now and this late request should be denied.



In addition, Walton has not demonstrated it is an affected person and the fact that these proceedings have been occurring without prior intervention weigh against a claim at this late date of a necessary party interest. TAC 22.104.

Related, Walton's motion for intervention does not show good cause to allow late intervention.

Finally, it is noteworthy that the attorney filing the motion to intervene on behalf of Walton was previously receiving service and participating in these proceedings on behalf of the City of Dorchester before the PUC and SOAH. (See SOAH fax of Order No. 3 and Order No. 2, including Angela Stepherson on service list.) (See Certificate of Service on City of Howe's Request for Public Hearing dated January 11, 2016, serving Angela Stepherson as attorney for the City of Dorchester.)

## Conclusion

Howe prays that Walton's Motion to Intervene be denied

Respectfully submitted,

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