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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.

TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

TO:

Business Support Team

THRU:

Cari-Michel La Caille, Assistant Director Water Supply Division

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FROM:

Mary Damron, Staff Auditor Utilities Financial Review Team Water Supply Division

Kamal Adhikari, Staff Engineer Utilities Technical Review Team Water Supply Division

DATE:

August 8, 2014

SUBJECT:

Water Rate/Tariff Change Application for North Orange Water & Sewer L.L.C. dba Longford Place Water & Sewer, Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 11511; in Orange County, Application No. 37818-R

Sewer Rate/Tariff Change Application for North Orange Water & Sewer L.L.C. dba Longford Place Water & Sewer, CCN No. 20548; in Orange County, Application No. 37819-R

CN: 600678098; RN: 101451078 (water) 102078896 (sewer)

A rate/tariff change application was filed by the above referenced utility. The rate change application was not referred to SOAH. Staff has completed their technical review and the proposed rates are approved.

To complete the closure of the applications, please do the following:

- Forward the original application to central records
- Forward the attached letter and enclosure to the applicant
- Update the database to reflect the completion and closure of the application as of the date of this memo.

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TCEQ Region 10 Office Mary Damron, Utilities & Districts Section, MC-153 Kamal Adhikari, Plan & Technical Review, MC-159

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

August 8, 2014

Mr. Bret W. Fenner, P.E. B & D Environmental, Inc. P.O. Box 500264 Austin, Texas 78750

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Dear Mr. Fenner:

Protests from ten percent of the customers were not received during the statutory comment period for the above referenced application. Therefore the proposed rate schedule was effective on March 3, 2014, without public hearing according to the requirements of Texas Water Code (TWC), Section 13.187.

Enclosed is a copy of the approved rate schedule pages for your tariffs. You should retain a complete copy of your utility's approved tariffs at each of the utility's business offices or designated sales offices.

Pursuant to TWC, Section 13.187, you may not file a statement of intent to increase your rates more than once in a twelve month period except for the following reasons:

- to implement an approved purchased water pass through adjustment; or
- to adjust the rates of a newly acquired utility system; or
- a financial hardship exists as determined by the Commission

Effective September 1, 2014, responsibility for regulating water and wastewater rates and CCNs will transfer to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC). If responding <u>before September 1, 2014</u>, please submit your information to the TCEQ at the address shown on the letterhead. After September 1, 2014, please submit your written response to the address below:

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> Public Utility Commission Water Utilities Division 1701 N. Congress Avenue P. O. Box 13326 Austin, Texas 78711-3326

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mary Damron at 512/239-4667 or by email at mary.damron@tceq.texas.gov. Ms. Damron will be your contact for this application at the PUC after September 1, 2014.

Sincerely,

Cari-Michel La Caille, Assistant Director

Water Supply Division

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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