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Re:	Application of the City of Austin for Water and Wastewater CCN's:
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No. 11978; SOAH Docket No. 582-02-3056; Notice of Withdrawal of Protest to Sewer Certification Application by Creedmoor-Maha

Water Supply Corporation and the City of Mustang Ridge

SENDER: Mark Zeppa

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SOAH DOCKET NO. 582-02-3056

APPLICATIONS OF THE CITY OF **AUSTIN FOR A WATER** CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (NO. 33562-C) AND A WASTEWATER CERTIFICATE OF **CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY** (NO. 33563-C)

APPLICATION OF HORNSBY **BEND UTILITY COMPANY** TO AMEND CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY NO. 20650

APPLICATION OF HORNSBY BEND UTILITY COMPANY TO AMEND CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND **NECESSITY NO. 11978**

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF PROTEST TO SEWER CERTIFICATION APPLICATION BY CREEDMOOR-MAHA WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND THE CITY OF MUSTANG RIDGE

TO THE HONORABLE KERRY SULLIVAN, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

COME NOW, Creedmoor-Maha Water Supply Corporation (Creedmoor) and the City of Mustang Ridge, Texas (Mustang Ridge), protestant intervenors to the water and sewer certification applications of the City of Austin (Austin) in the above-referenced consolidated dockets, and announce that pursuant to the attached Settlement Agreement (Exhibit 1), Creedmoor and Mustang Ridge withdraw their respective protests to Austin's sewer CCN application. Creedmoor and Mustang Ridge continue to oppose Austin's water CCN application.

Creedmoor and Mustang Ridge's withdrawal of their protest is conditioned upon the issuance of any sewer CCN by the TCEQ excluding the territory indicated in Exhibit 1. Creedmoor and Mustang Ridge reserve the right to re-assert their protests should any proposal for decision or proposed order of the agency include this service area.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Mark H. Zeppa, attorney for Creedmoor-Maha WSC and the City of Mustang Ridge in the above-referenced dockets, certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing pleading have been served on the following persons by hand delivery, fax and/or 1st class USPS mail on the day of May 2003:

Mark H. Zeppa∕

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- May 28, 2003

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Re: SOAH Docket No. 582-02-3056; Application from City of Austin to Obtain a Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Travis, Hays and Williamson Counties; Application No. 33562-C

SOAH Docket No. 582-02-3056; Application from City of Austin to Obtain a Sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Travis, Hays and Williamson Counties; Application No. 33563-C

SOAH Docket No. 582-02-3056; Application of Hornsby Bend Utility Company to Amend Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 20650

Dear Geoff:

The purpose of today's letter is to request that the area identified in Exhibit A be removed from the area requested in the City of Austin's ("City") above-referenced sewer CCN application. The City is requesting this change as part of a settlement we have reached with Creedmoor-Maha Water Supply Corporation ("Creedmoor") and the City of Mustang Ridge ("Mustang Ridge"). As you can see in the attached letter agreement among the three parties, after the filing of this request for the removal of this area from the City's sewer CCN application, Creedmoor and Mustang Ridge will submit withdrawals of their protests to the City's sewer (but not water) application with the State Office of Administrative Hearings.



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Please contact me at 494-3620 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.

Monica Jacobs

MMJ/jcb Enclosure

cc: Mark H. Zeppa, P.C.

Marty Terry, Assistant City Attorney

Bart Jennings, Water and Wastewater Utility

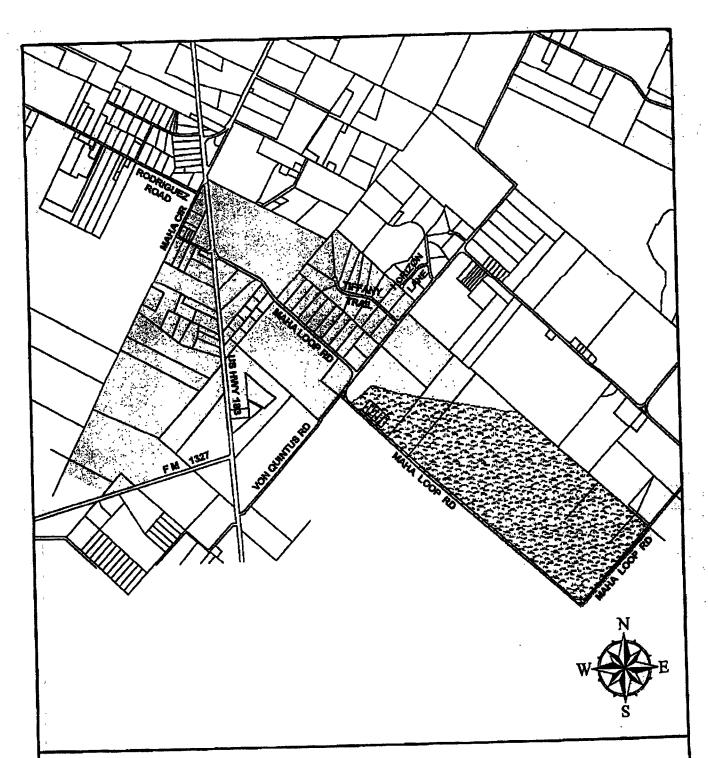


Exhibit A

Area to be Removed from Austin's Wastewater CCN



Area not included in Austin's Wastewater CCN

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- May 21, 2003

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Re: Withdrawal of Creedmoor-Maha Water Supply Corporation and the City of Mustang Ridge as Parties to the Contested Case Hearing Regarding the Application of the City of Austin for a Sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity

SOAH Docket No. 582-02-3056; Application from City of Austin to Obtain a Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Travis, Hays and Williamson Counties; Application No. 33562-C

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SOAH Docket No. 582-02-3056; Application of Hornsby Bend Utility Company to Amend Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 20650

Dear Mr. Zeppa:

On August 31, 2001, you submitted a letter of protest to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ"), on behalf of Creedmoor-Maha Water Supply Corporation ("Creedmoor") requesting a public hearing regarding the above-referenced City of Austin ("City") applications for water and sewer Certificates of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN"). Similarly, on June 20, 2002, you submitted a letter of protest on behalf of the City of Mustang Ridge ("Mustang Ridge") regarding the above-referenced hearing. As you know, both Mustang Ridge and Creedmoor are now parties to this hearing, and their interests are aligned for purposes of this proceeding.



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Pursuant to our client's recent discussions with the General Manager of Creedmoor and the Mayor Pro Tem of Mustang Ridge, Creedmoor, Mustang Ridge, and the City have agreed as follows:

- (1) The City will file a request with TCEQ to remove the area identified in Exhibit A from the City's wastewater CCN application within three (3) days of the execution date of this letter agreement.
- (2) In consideration for the above action, Creedmoor and Mustang Ridge will file a Withdrawal of Protest and Motion to be Dismissed as Parties with respect to the City's application for a sewer CCN only to the State Office of Administrative Hearings within three (3) days of the receipt of a copy of the above filing.

If you agree with the terms and conditions in this letter, please memorialize your agreement by signing in the space below. Please see a draft of the City's letter to the TCEQ attached to this letter. Please sign both copies of this letter and return them to me at the address on this letterhead. I will then send you an executed original for your files.

On behalf of the City, I thank you and your clients for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.

Kenneth Ramirez



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Agreed to:

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Mark H. Zeppa, P.C.
for Creedmoor-Maha Water Supply
Corporation and the City of Mustang Ridge
Dated: 5-27-03
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Kenneth Ramirez
for the City of Austin
Dated: 5-21-03

cc: Chris Lippe, P.E., Director, Water and Wastewater Utility
Bart Jennings, Water and Wastewater Utility