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APPLICATION OF TRINITY SO PTN, LP TO OBTAIN WATER AND SEWER CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN HARRIS COUNTY	& & & & &	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXASCLIC CIRCLY COMMISSION FILING CLERK
IN HARRIS COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S AMENDED RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 10 AND PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) representing the public interest and files this Amended Response to Order No. 10 and Proposed Supplemental Procedural Schedule. Staff files this Amended Response in order to modify Staff's prior proposed procedural schedule, filed on October 16, 2015. Through this application, the parties request new water and sewer certificates of convenience and necessity (CCN), a request for which Staff must perform a detailed and thorough examination of the Applicant's financial, managerial, and technical capability to serve. This review is intensive, time-consuming, and requires more time to be completed than was originally allotted in the prior proposed procedural schedule. The proposed procedural schedule stated herein anticipates the extent of this review and would adjust the deadlines accordingly. In support thereof, Staff would show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On October 17, 2014, Trinity SO PTN, LP (Applicant) filed an application to obtain new water and sewer certificates of convenience and necessity (CCN) in Harris County, Texas pursuant to Tex. Water Code Ann. Subchapter G and Title 16, Tex. Admin. Code (16 TAC) Subchapter G.

On August 28, 2015, Staff filed its Response to Order No. 9 recommending that the Applicant had cured the deficiencies identified by Staff and that the application and notice were sufficient for filing. On September 3, 2015, the ALJ issued Order No. 10 finding the application sufficient and adopting a procedural schedule for the proceeding. Pursuant to the procedural



schedule in Order No. 10, Staff filed a proposed supplemental procedural schedule for the proceeding on October 16, 2015.

II. RECOMMENDATION ON NOTICE

On October 5, 2015, the Applicant filed proof of notice indicating that it provided notice of the application as directed by Staff. Staff has reviewed the affidavits of notice, the individual notice issued with the accompanying map, and the published notice and recommends that notice is sufficient. Affected parties have 30 days from the date the Applicant mails or publishes notice, whichever occurs later, to intervene. The Applicant published notice in the *Woodlands Villager* on September 10, 2015 and September 17, 2015. The Applicant provided notice to customers on September 15, 2015 and to neighboring utilities and affected parties on September 18, 2015. Therefore, the 30-day intervention deadline ends on October 19, 2015.

III. PROPOSED AMENDED SUPPLEMENTAL PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

As stated above, Staff must perform a detailed and thorough examination of the Applicant's financial, managerial, and technical capability to serve due to the nature of this application. This review is intensive, time-consuming, and requires more time to be completed than was originally allotted in the prior proposed procedural schedule. The proposed procedural schedule stated herein anticipates the extent of this review and would adjust the deadlines accordingly.

Therefore, Staff proposes the following amended supplemental procedural schedule:

¹ 16 TAC § 24.106(a)(3).

² Thirty days from September 18, 2015 falls on Sunday, September 18, 2015.

Event	Date
Deadline for filing Comments or Request for	October 19, 2015
Intervention, and deadline for Intervenors to	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
request a hearing	
Deadline for Staff to provide revised maps and	December 16, 2015
certificates to the parties for review and	,
consent	
Deadline for parties to file signed consent	January 6, 2016
forms with the Commission showing consent	•
to revised maps and certificates	
Deadline for Staff's recommendation on final	January 13, 2016
disposition	, , =
Deadline for Staff to file a proposed notice of	January 20, 2016
approval including findings of fact.	,
conclusions of law, and ordering paragraphs	

IV. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the adoption of Staff's proposed supplemental procedural schedule.

Date: October 19, 2015

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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on October 19,

2015, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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