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**APPLICATION OF GULF COAST
WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY TO
AMEND A CERTIFICATE OF
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN
CHAMBERS COUNTY**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**

COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 9

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Response to Order No. 9. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On December 8, 2014, Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority (GCWDA or Applicant) filed with Commission an application (Application) to amend its sewer certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) No. 20465 in Chambers County, Texas pursuant to Tex. Water Code. §§ 13.246(c), 13.254 (TWC), and 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.113(TAC). GCWDA seeks to amend its CCN to voluntarily decertify a small portion of its service area at the request of the Chambers County Improvement District No. 2. CGWDA does not currently serve in the area that is the subject of this Application.

The Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 9, deeming the Application administratively complete and instructing the Applicant to issue notice. The Applicant timely filed evidence of notice. No comments, interventions, or hearing request were filed. The ALJ allowed Staff until November 8, 2015 to provide an additional procedural schedule. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff is currently conducting its technical review. Staff proposes the following procedural schedule.

Deadline for Staff to file a final recommendation.	December 15, 2015
Deadline to file proposed joint notice of approval.	January 15, 2016

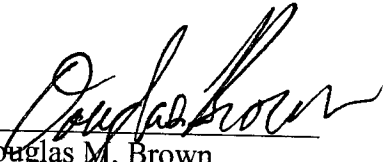
III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests that the ALJ enter an order in accordance with this filing.

Respectfully Submitted,

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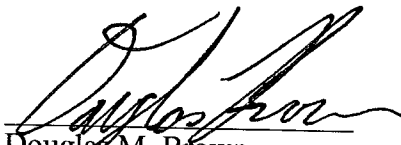
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on November 9, 2015 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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