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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

Community Utility Company Water Rate/Tariff Change re. CCN No. 10350 TCEQ Docket No. 2008-1463-UCR; SOAH Docket No. 582-09-0655

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Re: Community Utility Company; Water Rate/Tariff Change re. CCN No. 10350 TCEQ Docket No. 2008-1463-UCR; SOAH Docket No. 582-09-0655

Ms. Castanuela and Judge Cloninger:

On behalf of the ADR Program of the TCEQ, I conducted a mediation on the above-referenced matter on January 21, 2009 in Houston. Enclosed please find the full and final negotiated settlement agreement reached at that meeting, along with a withdrawal form from the one protestant ratepayer who was not a party to the agreement. Should you have questions, please call me at 512/239-0687.

Sincerely,

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cc: attached ADR Mailing List

encl: settlement agreement w/ attached withdrawal form; Brazzell withdrawal

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:Administrative Assistance Team
Irma Santana, Utilities Financial Review TeamDATE:March 12, 2009THREETammy Benter, Team Leader, Utilities Financial Review TeamFROM:Elizabeth Flores, Utilities Financial Review TeamSUBJECT:Community Utility Company
CCN Number(s): 10350CCN Number(s): 10350

Application(s)/Docket Number(s): <u>36103-R</u> <u>SOAH Docket No. 582-09-0655</u> <u>TCEQ Docket No. 2008-1463-UCR</u>

On June 30, 2008, the application referenced above was received from Community Utility Company. The application was assigned Application No. 36103-R, and its purpose was to increase retail water rates to customers in Harris and Montgomery Counties. Notice of the rate change was provided to the customers by the applicant. The Executive Director referred the case to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) pursuant to Section 13.187(f).

The Honorable Sharon Cloninger, an administrative law judge (ALJ) of SOAH, conducted a preliminary hearing on December 2, 2008, and designated the following parties: the Applicant represented by Mr. Will Jones, III, and Mr. Les Romo; the Executive Director of the Commission; the Office of Public Interest Counsel; and Ratepayers Ralph Alley; Mechelle Brazzell; Rex Faulk; Linda Hall; Rosetta Haynes; Royce Nichols; and Tom Wysoki. Upon request of the parties, ALJ Cloninger abated the hearing and referred the matter to mediation.

Mediation was held on January 21, 2009, and a settlement agreement was reached. On January 29, 2009, Judge Cloninger remanded the case to the Executive Director for uncontested processing.

Please forward a copy of the application to central records and forward the attached letter and enclosures to the applicant.

Finally, please update the database to reflect the completion and closure of this application as of the date of the signed order.

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