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Applications of the Town of Westlake and Lake Turner Municipality Utility Districts No. 2 and No. 3 for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity; SOAH Docket Nos. 582-97-Re: 0175 and 582-97-0134

### Dear Judge Broyles:

Please consider this Lake Turner Municipal Utility Districts No. 2 and No. 3 status report. As you recall, by Order dated October 24, 1997, you granted a Motion for Continuance and abated the above matter until further notice. You had also requested a status report by March 1, 1999. Lake Turner Municipal Utility Districts No. 2 and No. 3 requests that the matter be further abated for an additional six month period.

The parties have reached settlement on many of the litigated issues. However, the parties have yet to agree on a financing mechanism for the future development in the area. This issue will have a direct impact on the parties' need and desire for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity.

I have been in contact with counsel for the Town of Westlake who concurs with this letter. By copy of this letter, we are notifying those persons listed on SOAH's mailing list for the two above referenced docket numbers, and to other interested parties.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 472-3490.

Very truly yours,

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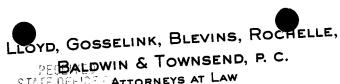
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Convenience and Necessity (140300:1.2)

### Dear Judge Broyles:

Pursuant to your Orders No. 3 and 5, dated May 21, 1998, this letter will serve as the Status Report of the Town of Westlake ("Westlake") concerning the abatement of proceedings in the above-referenced matters. Westlake respectfully requests that this matter be further abated for an additional three-month period in order to allow the resolution of ongoing litigation that will have a direct impact on Westlake and its need for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") for the retail water and sewer services it will provide within its corporate boundaries. While Westlake has entered into a settlement agreement that resolved much of the litigation between the parties, other litigation that will have a direct bearing on these administrative matters is ongoing.

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The outcome of this pending litigation will affect the geographic areas that Westlake may be entitled to serve with retail water and sewer service, as well as the issues to be considered in the administrative proceedings. Further abatement of these proceedings will not harm any party and will serve to clarify and limit the nature and scope of the pending proceedings.

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WHEREAS good cause for the abatement of proceedings has been shown, this cause is abated indefinitely. The parties are ordered to file a status report by December 1, 1998.

Signed this day of May, 1998.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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Many issues concerning the two parties are currently being litigated, including challenge to the removal of Westlake's disannexations. The result of the litigation will have a direct impact on the parties' desire and need for Certificates for Convenience and Necessity. As such, pursuit of this matter will not facilitate the matter.

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The Honorable Tommy L. Broyles May 1, 1998
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ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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WHEREAS good cause for the abatement of proceedings has been shown, this cause is abated indefinitely. The parties are ordered to file a status report by May 1, 1998.

day of October, 1997.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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Application of the Town of Westlake and

Lake Turner Municipal Utilities District Nos. 2 and 3

For Certificate Convenience and Necessities;

SOAH Docket Nos. 582-97-0175 and 582-97-0134

### Dear Judge Broyles:

On behalf of Maguire Partners/Solana Limited Partnership, the owner of the Solana complex, we have no objection to the request of Mr. Barrett to continue the hearing scheduled for September, 7, 1999. However, we do wish to make it clear that Solana lies within the Trophy Club Municipal District No. 1 and we wish to advise the Court that any settlement between the Lake Turner MUDs 2 and 3 and the Town of Westlake should not affect the right of the Solana complex to receive water and sewer services from Trophy Club Municipal Utilities District No.1.

Very truly yours,

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Hal Sanders

cc:

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Rc: Applications of the Town of Westlake and Lake Turner Municipal Utility Districts No. 2 and No. 3 for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity; SOAH Docket Nos. 582-97-0134 and 582-97-0175

Dear Judge Broyles:

I am in receipt of Andy Barrett's letter to you of August 30, 1999 on behalf of Lake Turner MUDs No. 2 and No. 3 requesting the abatement and continuance of the above proceeding for 60 days. I am also in receipt of Martin Rochelle's letter to you of this date on behalf of the Town of Westlake opposing such abatement. The City of Keller also opposes the requested abatement and 60 day continuance.

On account of the withdrawal of the Lake Turner MUDs' protest to the water CCN Application of Westlake, the remaining sewer CCN issues between Westlake and Lake Turner MUDs appear to be quite factually and legally distinct from the water related CCN issues between the City of Keller and Town of Westlake. Accordingly, it would appear to be in the interests of all parties that the two matters be severed for the purpose of discovery and hearing. I believe that Mr. Rochelle will be drawing up a motion to such effect for your consideration on September 7, 1999 and, subject to review of same, the City of Keller will likely join in such a severance request.

Yours very truly,

Skip Newsom

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cc: Lyle Dresher Service List

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**Setting Evidentiary Hearing** 

On March 6, 1997, this matter was referred to SOAH. On March 21, 1997, the case was continued due to ongoing mediation. An abatement of the proceeding was granted on October 24, 1997, due to pending litigation in state court that would have an impact on the applications.

On numerous occasions, the parties have filed status reports requesting that the abatement continue. The latest report, filed on March 5, 1999, requested abatement for an additional six months due to ongoing settlement negotiations.

The time has come for the parties to settle this matter, go to hearing, or have the cases dismissed for want of prosecution. If a mediator would be helpful, please advise so that one may be provided.

This matter is set for evidentiary hearing on September 7, 1999. The hearing will convene at 10:00 a.m., in the SOAH courtrooms on the 11th floor, Stephen F. Austin Building, 1700 North Congress Ave. in Austin, Texas.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_day of July, 1999.

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Signed this day of October, 1997.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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Signed this 21 day of March, 1997.

TOMMY LEBROYLES

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