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APPLICATION OF CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN HAYS COUNTY

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COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 5

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Commission Staff's Response to Order No. 5. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On March 11, 2015, City of Dripping Springs filed with the Commission an application to amend water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) 13030 in Hays County, Texas.

In Order No. 5, issued October 9, 2015, the Commission Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) deemed Dripping Springs' application administratively complete and ordered Dripping Springs to file proof of notice by November 9, 2015 and ordered Commission Staff to file an updated procedural schedule by November 16, 2015. On November 9, 2015, Dripping Springs filed proof of notice mailed on November 4, 2015 and proof of the first newspaper notice, published November 5, 2015. On November 12, 2015, Dripping Springs filed proof of the second newspaper notice, published on the same day. This pleading is timely filed.

II. UPDATED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Notice Completed	November 12, 2015
Deadline for Intervenors to file comments or request a hearing	December 14, 2015
Deadline for Commission Staff to file a final recommendation on the Application or request a hearing	

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests that the ALJ issue an order consistent with this recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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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 16, 2015 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

Alexander Petak