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APPLICATION OF RANCH COUNTRY OF TEXAS, INC. TO AMEND A WATER CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY **IN AUSTIN COUNTY**

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OF TEXAS

ORDER NO.3 FINDING APPLICATION INCOMPLETE AND DEFICIENT, ESTABLISHING DEADLINES AND OPPORTUNITY TO CURE

On September 4, 2015, Order No. 2 was issued, deeming this application deficient. Deadlines were established for Ranch Country of Texas, Inc. (Applicant) to cure the deficiencies that had been identified by Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) Staff and for Commission Staff to provide a supplemental recommendation on completeness of the application. On October 2 and October 9, 2015, Applicant supplemented the application.

I. Staff Recommendation on Administrative Completeness of the **Amended Application and Notice**

On November 5, 2015, Commission Staff recommended that the application remains deficient and not administratively complete because it contains material deficiencies, as specifically described in the pleading and the attached memorandum of Patricia Garcia and Tracy Montes of the Commission's Water Utility Regulation Division.

II. Finding Amended Application Incomplete and Deficient, **Providing Opportunity to Cure**

Consistent with Commission Staff's recommendation, the application remains administratively incomplete and deficient. On or before December 7, 2015, Applicant shall amend its application to cure the deficiencies noted by Commission Staff. Processing of the application cannot proceed until the requested items are received and reviewed. Pursuant to 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.8(a), applications are not considered filed until a determination of administrative completeness is made, thus at this time the application is not considered filed with the Commission. Applicant shall not publish notice of the application until the deficiencies are corrected and Applicant has been instructed to provide notice.

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On or before January 12, 2016, Commission Staff shall file additional comments regarding administrative completeness and propose a procedural schedule, if deemed administratively complete.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the <u> 6^{13} </u> day of November 2015.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

JEFFREY J. HUHN

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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