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#### **DOCKET NO. 45510**

APPLICATION OF HOE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND HARRIS COUNTY MUD NO. 480 FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR	<b>\$</b>	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  OF TEXAS  FILING CLERK
MERGER OF CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN HARRIS COUNTY	9 9 8	

## COMMISSION STAFF'S PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Response to Order No. 2 and Proposed Procedural Schedule.

### I. Background

On January 11, 2016, HOE Water Supply Corporation (HOE WSC) and Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 480 (Harris County MUD) filed an application for approval of a sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) rights in Harris County (Application). HOE WSC seeks approval to transfer a portion of its water service area to Harris County MUD.

On April 6, 2016, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 3 granting HOE an extension to file a proof of notice and requiring Staff to file an additional procedural schedule for the remainder of the proceeding by May 17, 2016. Therefore, this Response is timely filed.

## II. Proposed Procedural Schedule

Order No. 3 required HOE WSC to file proof of mailed and published notice by May 2, 2016. HOE WSC has not filed proof of notice to the following entities identified in Staff's Recommendation Regarding Administrative Completeness:

- 1. Timbercrest Partners, LLC
- 2. Harris County MUD 1
- 3. Harris County MUD 388
- 4. Northern Harris County Regional Water Authority
- 5. San Jacinto River Authority

At this time, Staff recommends HOE WSC be given additional time to provide notice to these neighboring entities and file the proof of notice. Staff proposes HOE WSC be given until **June 1, 2016** to file a copy of the actual notices issued, the map issued with the mailed notices, and a signed affidavit that notice was given.

# Staff recommends the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for Applicants to provide the Commission with the Affidavits of Notice	
Deadline to intervene, and deadline for Intervenors to file Comments or to request a hearing	30 days after Applicants mail notice
Deadline for Staff to file an additional procedural schedule for the remainder of the proceeding <sup>1</sup>	June 8, 2016

### III. Conclusion

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Thirty days after Staff receives the Affidavits of Notice, Staff will know whether comments have been filed or a hearing has been requested by Intervenors, and Staff will be able to set other procedural deadlines appropriately.

Dated: May 17, 2016

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## DOCKET NO. 45510 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on this May 17, 2016 in accordance with 16 TAC  $\S$  22.74.

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