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APPLICATION OF PONDEROSA AND §
WESTERN VILLAGE WATER §
SUPPLY CORPORATION AND EL §
PASO WATER UTILITIES PUBLIC §
SERVICE BOARD FOR SALE, §
TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF §
FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE §
RIGHTS IN EL PASO COUNTY §

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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ORDER NO. 2
FINDING APPLICATION SUFFICIENT AND COMPLETE;
WAIVING MAILED NOTICE; REQUIRING PUBLISHED NOTICE; AND
ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This Order addresses Commission Staff's proposed procedural schedule and recommendation that this application of Ponderosa and Western Village Water Supply Corporation and El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board to sell and transfer facilities and certificate rights in El Paso County is sufficient.

I. Administrative Completeness

On April 11, 2016, Commission Staff recommended the application be found sufficient and complete. Consistent with Commission Staff's recommendation, the application is deemed administratively complete.

II. Notice

El Paso requested waiver of public notice for good cause. Commission Staff noted that there will be no disruption of service or change in quality because El Paso has been operating and maintaining Ponderosa's water system since 2004. Additionally, while some Ponderosa customers may experience a rate change, for most the cost of water service will go down. Therefore, Commission Staff recommended waiver of mailed notice. However, Commission Staff recommended that applicants be required to publish notice of this application in a newspaper of general circulation in El Paso County each week for two consecutive weeks. Commission Staff provided a copy of the notice applicants should publish.

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Consistent with Staff's recommendation, mailed notice of this application is waived. However, applicants shall publish notice of this application in a newspaper of general circulation in El Paso County each week for two consecutive weeks, using the form attached to the memorandum of Jolie Mathis and Gary Horton of the Commission's Water Utility Regulation Division that was attached to Commission Staff's April 11, 2016 pleading.

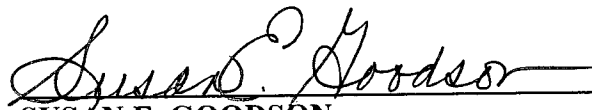
III. Procedural Schedule

Commission Staff proposed a procedural schedule for continued processing of this docket. The following procedural schedule shall apply:

Deadline for Applicants to file affidavits of proof of notice	May 11, 2016
Deadline for Staff to file comments on proof of notice and propose additional procedural schedule.	May 25, 2016

Signed at Austin, Texas the 14th day of April 2016.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS


SUSAN E. GOODSON
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE