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TO: Chuck Bell
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Commission Staff – Water Utility Regulation Division
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RE: Tariff Control No. 46371 – *Application of Chuck Bell Water Systems L.L.C. for Approval of a Sampling Fee Surcharge*

NOTICE OF APPROVAL

This Notice addresses the application of Chuck Bell Water Systems L.L.C. for approval of a sampling fee surcharge for water testing that was done in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The surcharge will affect Bear Creek Estates, public water system #2200336. Chuck Bell plans to charge the sampling fee surcharge in the November 2016 billing cycle for a period of one month only for affected customers.

On October 6, 2016, Commission Staff filed its final recommendation in this application. Commission Staff did not provide a recommendation regarding the sufficiency of the application, but did recommend that the application be approved, as specified in the pleading and attached memorandum of Janie Kohl, Heidi Graham, and Debi Loockerman of the Commission's Water Utility Regulation Division. Commission Staff recommended authorizing Chuck Bell to collect a total sampling fee of \$103.85, \$5.47 each for the 19 connections in Bear Creek Estates for one month in the November 2016 billing cycle. Commission Staff recommended that the approval include a statement that Chuck Bell may not collect more than the total approved amount and specific notice language.

Consistent with Commission Staff's recommendation, Chuck Bell's application is approved. Chuck Bell may collect a total sampling fee of \$103.85, \$5.47 each for the 19 service connections in Bear Creek Estates for one month in the November 2016 billing cycle.

Furthermore, the first bill that Chuck Bell sends out that includes the surcharge shall include the



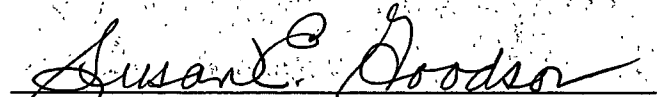
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following statement: "A sampling surcharge has been approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to cover sampling fees incurred by the utility and required by the Safe Drinking Water Act." Finally, Chuck Bell may not collect more than the total approved amount or refunds may be ordered.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS on the 17th day of October 2016.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS



SUSAN E. GOODSON
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE