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COMPLIANCE REPORTS FOR FINAL§ORDER IN DOCKET NO. 42860§(APPLICATION OF DOUGLAS§UTILITY COMPANY TO CHANGE§WATER AND SEWER RATES/TARIFF§IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS)§

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF TEXAS

ORDER NO. 5 CLOSING DOCKET

This Order addresses the sufficiency of Douglas Utility Company's compliance filings required by the Commission's final Order in Docket No. 42860.¹ That Order directed Douglas Utility Company to make certain refunds over a 12-month period and collect certain surcharges over a 24-month period.

In Order No. 2 filed in this compliance docket on April 3, 2019, the undersigned administrative law judge (ALJ) concluded that Douglas had completed the refunds required by the Order in Docket No. 42860. However, as documented in multiple filings in this matter,² Douglas Utility repeatedly failed to make the surcharges required by the Order in Docket No. 42860.

In reports filed on December 15, 2023, and February 19, 2024, Douglas Utility concedes that, for a variety of reasons, including the illness and death of various personnel, it never made the required surcharges. Douglas Utility states that it wishes to waive its right to collect any of the surcharges and asks that this compliance docket be closed. Commission Staff agrees that this docket should be closed. Commission Staff points out that the water and sewer facilities operated by Douglas Utility have been sold to CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC.

Under the circumstances, the ALJ finds that this docket should be, and it hereby is, closed.

¹ Application of Douglas Utility Company to Change Water and Sewer Rate/Tariff in Harris County, Texas, Docket No. 42860, Order (Oct. 7, 2016).

² See, e.g., Interchange Items 3, 9, and 12.

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 4th day of April 2024.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

HUNTER BURKHALTER CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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