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**RE:** **Tariff Control No. 46432 – Application of Ni America Texas, LLC for Minor Tariff Changes**

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL**

On October 10, 2016, Ni America Texas, LLC filed an application to implement minor tariff changes. SWWC Utilities, Inc., a subsidiary of SouthWest Water Company, acquired Ni America through a stock purchase in early 2016. Ni America proposes a revision to the cover page to reflect current contact information and to replace the customer service application with the standard application used by all of SouthWest's affiliated Texas utilities.

On October 31, 2016, Commission Staff filed comments recommending adoption of the change in contact information on the cover page of the tariff. However, Staff pointed out that the customer service application, Appendix B of the tariff reflects a \$45 transfer fee which is not in compliance with Ni America's current approved charge of \$30. Changes to the transfer fee are not allowed in this proceeding. Commission Staff recommended the applicant be ordered to file a new customer service application with the approved transfer fee of \$30.

On November 4, 2016, Ni America filed a revised Appendix B. Reference to a \$45 transfer fee has been removed and replaced with text indicating the "approved" transfer fee may apply.



Consistent with Commission Staff's recommendation, and in light of the revised Appendix B filed by Ni America, the application is approved.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2016.

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