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DECERTIFICATION OF ITS SEWER	§	WISSING ATTENDED
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE	§	OF TEXAS FILITY COMMISSION
AND NECESSITY IN COMAL COUNTY	§	

# COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FINDING APPLICATION ADMINISTRATIVELY COMPLETE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Response to Order No. 1 and Recommendation Finding Application Administratively Complete. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

### I. Background

On November 2, 2016, San Antonio Water System (SAWS) filed a petition for a partial decertification of its sewer certificate of convenience and necessity no. 20285 in Comal County. On November 7, 2016, Order No. 1 was issued requiring Staff to file comments regarding administrative completeness of the petition and proposed notice by December 2, 2016. Accordingly, this pleading is timely filed.

### II. Comments and Recommendation on Administrative Sufficiency

As supported by the attached memorandum of Emily Sears, Financial Analyst and Kristy Nguyen, GIS Specialist with the Water Utilities Division, Staff recommends the petition be deemed administratively complete and sufficient for filing pursuant to 16 TAC §24.8. Staff also recommends that SAWS:

- 1) Provide notice of the application to the following:
  - a) any districts, utilities, and cities within two (2) miles of the proposed area;
  - b) the county judge of each county and each groundwater conservation district that is wholly or partly included in the proposed area to be certified;
    - c) each city with an extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) that is wholly or partly included in the proposed area to be certified; and
    - d) publish notice once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Comal County.

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- 2) Provide notice of the application to the following entities:
  - Guadalupe Blanco River Authority (CCN No. 20892)
  - South Central Water Company (CCN No. 20964)
  - Comal County WCID 6
  - Johnson Ranch MUD
  - San Antonio River Authority
  - City of Bulverde
  - City of San Antonio
  - Edwards Aquifer Authority
  - Trinity Glen Rose GCD
  - Comal Trinity GCD
  - Honorable Judge Sherman Krause of Comal County
- 3) Include copy of a map showing the proposed service area with the individual notices to neighboring utilities, and other affected parties. It is the Applicant's burden to provide an accurate map delineating the proposed area with each individual notice. Information related to districts including addresses can be obtained from the TCEQ's web site located at <a href="http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/iwud/">http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/iwud/</a>.
- 4) Within 30 days of the Commission order, file a copy of the actual notice and map issued, along with signed affidavits indicating that the notice was given. It is recommended that the Applicant use the attached notices and affidavits to meet these requirements.

#### III. Proposed Procedural Schedule

Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for SAWS to file with the Commission signed affidavits that the notice was given along with a copy of the notice sent to the affected parties and published in a newspaper of general circulation	January 16, 2016
Deadline for Staff to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice	Within 14 days of SAWS filing proof of completed notice with the Commission
Deadline to intervene	30 days after notice is issued

### IV. Conclusion

Staff respectfully requests that an order be issued consistent with this Recommendation.

Dated: December 2, 2016

Respectfully Submitted,

# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on December 2, 2016, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

Ralph J. Daigneault

## **PUC Interoffice Memorandum**

To:

Ralph Daigneault

Legal Division

Thru:

Tammy Benter, Director Lisa Fuentes, Work Lead Water Utilities Division

From:

Emily Sears, Financial Analyst Kristy Nguyen, GIS Specialist

Water Utilities Division

Date:

November 15, 2016

Subject:

Docket 46503, Petition of San Antonio Water System to Amend its Certificate of

Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Comal County

On November 2, 2016, the San Antonio Water System (SAWS or Petitioner) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) a petition to amend (decertify a portion of) its sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 20285 in Comal County, Texas pursuant to Texas Water Code Ann. (TWC), §§ 13.254(a) and the 16 Tex. Admin Code (TAC) §§ 24.113(a).

A Staff review of the information filed by the petitioner found that it is sufficient in the required petition and mapping information. Therefore, Staff recommends that the petition be deemed sufficient for filing and found administratively complete. Staff further recommends the Petitioner:

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### Notice for Publication

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO AMEND A SEWER CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (CCN) IN COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS

The San Antonio Water System has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to amend (decertify a portion of) its sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 20285 in Comal County.

The proposed utility service area is located approximately 1 mile southeast of downtown Bulverde, Texas, and is generally bounded on the north by 0.5 miles south of FM 1863; on the east and south by Comal/Bexar County Border; and on the west by US 281.

The total area being decertified includes approximately  $\underline{314}$  acres and  $\underline{0}$  current customers.

A copy of the proposed service area map is available at: <u>San Antonio Water System</u>, 2800 U.S. Hwy 281 North, <u>San Antonio</u>, <u>Texas 78212</u>, or by calling (210) 233-3742.

A request for a public hearing must be in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address, and daytime telephone number; (2) the applicant's name, application number or another recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement, "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application for a CCN; and (5) your proposed adjustment to the application or CCN which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for a hearing.

Persons who wish to intervene or comment should write the:

Public Utility Commission of Texas Central Records 1701 N. Congress, P. O. Box 13326 Austin, TX 78711-3326

within thirty (30) days from the date of this publication or notice. A public hearing will be held only if a legally sufficient hearing request is received or if the Commission on its own motion requests a hearing. Only those individuals who submit a written hearing request or a written request to be notified if a hearing is set will receive notice if a hearing is scheduled.

If a public hearing is requested, the Commission will not issue the CCN and will forward the application to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for a hearing. If no settlement is reached and an evidentiary hearing is held, SOAH will submit a recommendation to the Commission for final decision. If an evidentiary hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1–512-936-7221

## Notice to Neighboring Systems and Cities

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO AMEND A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (CCN) IN COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS

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The total area being decertified includes approximately 314 acres and 0 current customers.

### See enclosed map of the proposed service area.

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## PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION



# AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE TO NEIGHBORING UTILITIES AND AFFECTED PARTIES DOCKET NO. $\underline{46503}$

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