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**APPLICATION OF RIVERSIDE WASTE
WATER TREATMENT PLANT OFR
AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES**

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**COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE
COMPLETENESS**

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission"), representing the public interest, and files this Recommendation on Administrative Completeness.

I. BACKGROUND

On November 9, 2016, River Side Waste Water Treatment Plant ("River Side") filed an application to change rates.¹ On February 1, 2017, River Side filed a supplement to its application.

On December 12, 2016, Order No. 2 was entered, requiring Staff to file comments on the administrative completeness of the application by February 28, 2017. This pleading is timely filed.

II. RECOMMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

Consistent with the attached memorandum of Patricia Garcia and Andrew Novak, Water Utilities Division, Staff recommends that the application is not administratively complete. Staff recommends that the issues identified in the attached memorandum be addressed by River Side before the application is deemed to be administratively complete.

Because Staff recommends that the application is not administratively complete at this time, Staff is unable to propose a procedural schedule for further processing. Staff recommends that River Side be provided until March 28, 2017 to file a revised application and that Staff be provided until April 28, 2017 to file further comments regarding the application.

¹ Application (Nov. 9, 2016).

If the application is deemed to not be administratively complete, Staff also recommends that the effective date of the proposed rates be suspended due to the deficiency of the application.²

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests that River Side be required to address the deficiencies addressed in the attached memorandum.

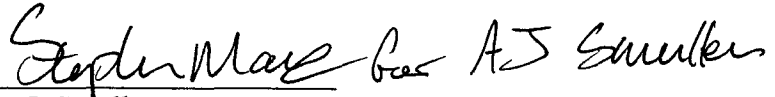
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Respectfully Submitted,

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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on February 28, 2017 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.


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² 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.26(b)(1).

PUC Interoffice Memorandum

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Thru: Heidi Graham, Manager
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From: Andrew Novak, Financial Analyst
Patricia Garcia, Engineering Specialist
Water Utilities Division

Date: February 28, 2017

Subject: **Docket No. 46556**, *Application of Riverside Waste Water Treatment Plant for Authority to Change Rates*

On November 9, 2016, Riverside Waste Water Treatment Plant. (Riverside, or Applicant) filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission of Texas (Commission) for a rate/tariff change affecting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 20740 in Brazos County. An administrative review of the application and notice has been made pursuant to Texas Water Code § 13.13871 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) §§ 24.21 through 24.26.

The Commission required that Staff review the proposed rate change application and proposed notice for administrative completeness by February 28, 2017. Staff's review of the application has revealed that there are multiple deficiencies within the application. Therefore, Staff recommends that the application be found insufficient for filing. Furthermore, in order to correct the deficiencies within the application, Staff recommends that the Commission order the Applicant to complete the following:

1. Note that there is a discrepancy between Schedule I-1 line 7 and the test year amount entered for Schedule II-8 for contract work. Please verify which amount is the correct expense for contract work and provide corrected schedules as necessary.
2. Provide an explanation for the increase of expenses from 2014 to 2015 for Schedules II-4 and II-7, including a narrative justifying the increase and all calculations.
3. Please provide an amended Schedule III-3(a) which includes:
 - a. The date of installation, a description of each asset, service life, original cost, and the date of retirement for each retired asset if applicable.
 - b. The reason each asset was retired.
 - c. The date the previous rate case was approved.
4. Provide a breakout of the parts, labor and equipment for the proposed \$25.00 tap fee included in the notice. Explain the decrease in cost from the existing tap fee of \$30.00.
5. Provide proof of payment for all outstanding regulatory assessment fees.

6. Amend the proposed notice to include an effective date.
7. Submit the affidavit attesting to the completeness of application. Ensure that the affidavit is signed and notarized.