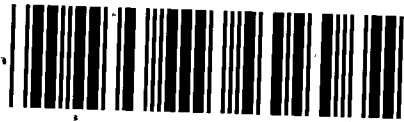


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COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF APPLICATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Recommendation on Sufficiency of Application, and would show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On November 29, 2016, the City of Mercedes filed an application filed to amend its water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 12811 and to decertify a portion of North Alamo Water Supply Corporation's CCN No. 10553 in Hidalgo County. Order No. 1, filed on December 5, 2016, set December 29, 2016, as the deadline for Commission Staff to file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and proposed notice, and for Staff and the City of Mercedes to file comments/recommendation regarding how this petition should be processed and propose a procedural schedule. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends that the application be found administratively incomplete, based on the attached memorandum from Ricky Herrera, Staff Engineer, and Gary Horton, Jr., GIS Specialist of the Water Utilities Division. Specifically, the City of Mercedes should address the mapping deficiencies, as set out in the memorandum. Accordingly, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

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Event	Date
Deadline for City of Mercedes to file additional information	February 3, 2017
Deadline for Staff to file a recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application and proposed notice and propose a procedural schedule	March 3, 2017

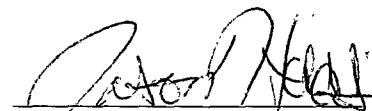
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Respectfully Submitted,

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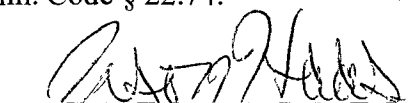
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I certify that a copy of this document* will be served on all parties of record on December 21, 2016 in accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.74.


 Jason Haas

PUC Interoffice Memorandum

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Legal Division

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

From: Ricky Herrera, Staff Engineer
Gary Horton, Jr., GIS Specialist
Water Utilities Division

Date: December 16, 2016

Subject: **Docket 46612**, *Application of City of Mercedes to Amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity under water code § 13.255 and to decertify a portion of North Alamo Water Supply Corporation's service area in Hidalgo County*

On November 29, 2016, the City of Mercedes (Mercedes), and North Alamo Water Supply Corporation (North Alamo WSC) (collectively, Applicants) filed a joint application to amend Mercedes's water CCN No. 12811 and to decertify a portion of North Alamo WSC's water CCN No. 10553 in Hidalgo County. The application is being reviewed pursuant to Texas Water Code §§ 13.242 - 13.250 and 13.255 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) §§ 24.103(c), 24.105 (d) and 24.120.

Staff has reviewed the information provided by the Applicant on November 29, 2016, and recommends the application be deemed administratively incomplete and not accepted for filing due to the deficiencies detailed below:

Mapping Content

Maps submitted are deficient. Applicant must submit the following items to resolve the mapping deficiencies:

- 1) A small scale (general location) map showing only the proposed CCN service area(s) with enough detail to be accurately located in the vicinity of the nearest town, city, or county.
- 2) A large scale (detailed) map showing only the proposed CCN service area(s) with enough detail to be accurately located in reference to verifiable man-made and/or natural landmarks such as roads, railroads, and rivers.
- 3) Digital data consisting of only the requested area as a single polygon record, in shapefile (SHP) format on a data disk (CD) **OR** submit metes and bounds (legal description). Include the details of the coordinate system or projection used to create the digital data.