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**RED RIVER AUTHORITY OF TEXAS' RESPONSE
 TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
QUESTION NO. STAFF 1-1**

The Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission Staff) filed its first request for information with the Red River Authority of Texas (Authority) on January 9, 2017. The deadline to respond to the Commission Staff's request is January 30, 2017, therefore, this response is timely filed. Below are the questions and the responses to the Commission Staff's requests for information:

- a) A list of the names, public water systems numbers, and number of active connections as of October 1, 2016 for all water and sewer systems whose rates have been changed by the rate increase.

The Authority's Water Systems:

Water System Name	TCEQ ID No.	Active Connections October 1, 2016
RRA-Esteline	0960001	65
RRA-Turkey-Esteline	0960001	90
RRA-Newlin	0960016	30
RRA-Harrels Chapel		23
RRA-Northfield-Carey	0380015	71
RRA-Rural #1		11
RRA-New Goodlett	0990003	30
RRA-South Quanah	0990044	20
RRA-Quanah Southwest	0990044	26
RRA-Rural #2		57
RRA-Old Goodlett	0990012	39
RRA-Medicine Mound	0990013	47
RRA-Quanah Northeast	0990004	108

RRA-Kirkland-Lazare	0380012	71
RRA-Lockett	2440008	282
RRA-Box	2440006	49
RRA-Hinds	2440005	72
RRA-Farmers Valley	2440007	55
RRA-Tell Cee Vee	0380013	194
RRA- Childress NE	0380014	121
RRA-Saied	0380019	26
RRA- Garden Valley	0380017	60
RRA-Rural #3		12
RRA-Guthrie-Dumont	1350001	133
RRA-Foard County	0780014	121
RRA-Truscott-Gilliland	1380006	97
RRA-Samnorwood	0440016	74
RRA-Dodson	0440018	110
RRA-Plaska Friendship		18
RRA-Club Lake-Memphis NE	0960019	38
RRA-Howardwick	0650004	294
RRA-Greenbelt Lake Lots	0650014	68
RRA-Arrowhead Lake	0390021	352
RRA-Arrowhead Ranch	0390021	308
RRA-Ringgold	1690005	66
RRA-Preston Shores	0910037	684
TOTAL ACTIVE CONNECTIONS		3,922

The Authority does not have TCEQ Public Water Supply ID numbers for RRA-Harrels Chapel, RRA-Rural #1, RRA-Rural #2, RRA-Rural #3, and RRA-Plaska Friendship. TCEQ has determined that RRA Harrels Chapel and RRA-Plaska Friendship do not require a Public Water Supply ID number because those systems serve less than 5 residential connections. The remaining connections are for livestock operations. RRA-Rural #1, RRA-Rural #2, and RRA-Rural #3 have customers that are served directly off a potable water transmission line owned and operated by the Greenbelt Municipal and Industrial Water Authority (Greenbelt). The Public Water Supply ID number is in Greenbelt's name.

The Authority's Sewer Systems:

Sewer System Name	TCEQ Permit No.	Number of Connections As of October 1, 2016
RRA – City of Estelline	WQ0011252001	59
RRA – Saied	Collection System only	27
RRA – Arrowhead Ranch Estates	WQ0011445001	76
TOTAL ACTIVE CONNECTIONS		162

The RRA-Saied system is a collection system only. The Authority delivers the wastewater to the City of Childress for treatment and disposal.

Curtis W. Campbell, the General Manager of the Authority, sponsors this answer.

- b) Red River Authority of Texas' opinion on the number of connections needed to meet the 10 percent requirement of Texas Water Code § 13.043(c) and supporting documentation.

It is the Red River Authority of Texas' opinion that the number of water connections needed to meet the 10 percent requirement under Texas Water Code § 13.043(c) is 393 (10% of total active connections). See the total number of connections as noted in a) and c).

It is the Authority's opinion that the number of sewer connections needed to meet the 10 percent requirement under Texas Water Code § 13.043(c) is 17 (10% of total active connections). See the total number of connections as noted in a) and c). It should be noted, however, that the Authority does not provide sewer service to customers in the City of Howardwick, and none of the persons that signed the petition to appeal the Authority's rates are sewer service customers of the Authority. Therefore, those people are not eligible to appeal the Authority's sewer service rate. See Tex. Water Code § 13.043(c).

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- c) The total number of active connections as of October 1, 2016 whose rates have been changed by the rate increase appealed in this case.

3,922 water customers.

162 sewer customers.

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- d) Schedules of tariffed rates for all systems whose rates have been changed by the notice and rate increase appealed in this case for the period of time directly prior to the proposed increase (prior to October 1, 2016).

Previous Rates for the Authority's Water Systems:

Water System Name	TCEQ ID No.	Pre-October 1, 2016 Minimum Rate (Up to 2,000 Gallons)	Pre-October 1, 2016 Demand Block 1	Pre-October 1, 2016 Demand Block 2
RRA-Estelline	0960001	59.00	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Turkey-Estelline	0960001	59.00	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Newlin	0960016	45.75	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Harrels Chapel		49.75	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Northfield-Carey	0380015	63.50	5.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	8.25 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Rural #1		30.50	4.25 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-New Goodlett	0990003	52.50	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-South Quannah	0990044	48.25	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons

RRA-Quanah Southwest	0990044	48.25	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Rural #2		38.50	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	5.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Old Goodlett	0990012	40.50	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Medicine Mound	0990013	61.50	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.25 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Quanah Northeast	0990004	50.50	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Kirkland-Lazare	0380012	53.25	4.75 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Lockett	2440008	68.00	5.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	8.00 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Box	2440006	36.50	3.75 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Hinds	2440005	61.00	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Farmers Valley	2440007	45.50	3.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	4.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Tell Cee Vee	0380013	53.25	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.00 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Childress NE	0380014	50.75	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Saied	0380019	40.25	4.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	5.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Garden Valley	0380017	46.00	3.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	5.25 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Rural #3		30.00	4.25 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons

RRA-Guthrie-Dumont	1350001	46.25	3.75 Per 1K Gallons Up to 8K Gallons	5.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 10K Gallons
RRA-Foard County	0780014	59.00	4.75 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	5.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Truscott-Gilliland	1380006	66.25	5.75 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	7.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Samnorwood	0440016	64.00	4.75 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	7.25 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Dodson	0440018	51.50	4.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Plaska Friendship		69.00	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	8.00 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Club Lake-Memphis NE	0960019	68.25	6.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	8.00 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Howardwick	0650004	40.75	3.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	5.00 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Greenbelt Lake Lots	0650014	41.50	4.25 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Arrowhead Lake	0390021	73.50	5.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	7.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Arrowhead Ranch	0390021	73.50	5.00 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	7.50 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Ringgold	1690005	56.00	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.25 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons
RRA-Preston Shores	0910037	53.00	4.50 Per 1K Gallons Up to 5K Gallons	6.75 Per 1K Gallons Over 7K Gallons

The Board of Directors of the Authority adopted a new system-wide water rate that became effective on October 1, 2016. The water rate for all of the water systems is as follows:

Base Rate = \$73.50 up to 2,000 gallons

Demand Block 1 = \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons for the next 5,000 gallons

Demand Block 2 = \$8.75 per 1,000 gallons for all over 7,000 gallons

Previous Rates for the Authority's Sewer Systems:

Sewer System Name	TCEQ Permit No.	Pre-October 1, 2016 Sewer System Rates
RRA – City of Estelline	WQ0011252001	\$41.50 per month
RRA – Saied	Collection System only	\$25.00 per month
RRA – Arrowhead Ranch Estates	WQ0011445001	\$63.00 per month

The Board of Directors of the Authority adopted a new system-wide sewer rate that became effective on October 1, 2016. The sewer rate for all of the sewer systems is as follows:

\$46.50 per month.

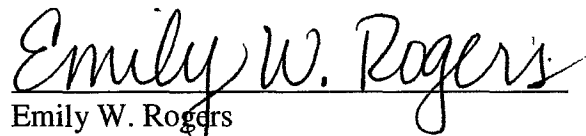
Curtis W. Campbell, the General Manager of the Authority, sponsors this answer.

Attached to this Response is the Affidavit of Curtis W. Campbell swearing to the answers provided in this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

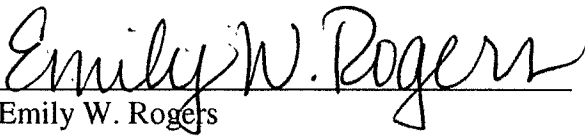
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify by my signature below that on the 24th day of January, 2017, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was forwarded via hand delivery, facsimile, U.S. mail or electronic mail to all parties of record.


Emily W. Rogers

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**AFFIDAVIT OF CURTIS W. CAMPBELL IN SUPPORT OF
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STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF WICHITA §

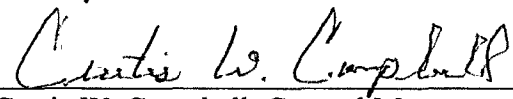
BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, appeared Curtis W. Campbell, the General Manager for the Red River Authority of Texas, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the following instrument, and who having been duly sworn upon his oath deposed and stated as follows:

1. My name is Curtis W. Campbell. I am over twenty-one (21) years of age, am competent to make this Affidavit, and have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Affidavit, and they are true and correct.
2. I am the General Manager of the Red River Authority of Texas. I have served as the Authority's General Manager since 2003. As General Manager, I oversee the day-to-day operations of the Authority, including the Utility Division, which provides water and sewer services to rural unincorporated communities, towns and cities in the North Texas area. As General Manager, I am familiar with the Authority's water systems, the number of customers of served by each, and the rates charged to the Authority's customers.

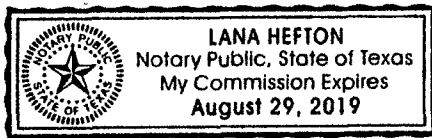
3. I, along with Authority's attorney, prepared the responses to the Commission Staff's First Request for Information. The information in the Authority's responses is true and correct.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

EXECUTED this 23 day of January, 2017.


Curtis W. Campbell, General Manager
Red River Authority of Texas

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME on this 23 day of January, 2017, to certify which witness my hand and official seal.




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