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APPLICATION OF T & W WATER
SERVICE COMPANY TO AMEND A
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY IN LIBERTY COUNTY

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# COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 1, RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Commission Staff's Response to Order No. 1, Recommendation on Sufficiency. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

#### I. BACKGROUND

On January 9, 2017, T&W Water Service Company filed an application to amend it water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) No. 12892 in Liberty County, Texas. The total new service area being requested includes approximately 1,365 acres and no current customers.

Order No. 1, issued January 10, 2017, directed Staff to file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and proposed notice by February 8, 2017. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

#### II. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY

Staff has reviewed T&W Water Service Company's application and, as supported by the attached memorandum of Debbie Reyes-Tamayo of the Water Utilities Division, Staff recommends that there are material deficiencies in the application that make it not administratively complete. Specifically: 1) Staff is unable to use the digital data filed for the requested area since it is not formatted in a known coordinate system and/or projection; and 2) the detailed map does not show the requested area in reference to verifiable man-made or natural landmarks.

In order to cure the identified deficiencies, Staff recommends that T&W Water Service Company file a detailed map and revised digital mapping data as set forth in the attached memorandum. Staff respectfully requests that T&W Water Service Company be given until March 22, 2017 to cure these deficiencies in its application, and that Staff be given until April 20, 2017 to review T&W Water Service Company's supplemental materials and file additional comments on the administrative completeness of the revised application.

#### III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order consistent with the above recommendations.

Dated: February 8, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,

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## DOCKET NO. 46743 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record February 8,

2017, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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# **PUC Interoffice Memorandum**

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Water Utilities Division

Date:

January 31, 2017

RE:

**Docket No. 46743:** Application of T & W Water Service Company to Amend a Water

Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Liberty County

On January 9, 2017, T & W Water Service Company (Applicant) filed an application to amend its water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 12892 in Liberty County. The application is being reviewed pursuant to Tex. Water Code §§ 13.242-13.250 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 24.101-24.107 (TAC). The Applicant proposes to serve the Encino Estates Subdivision which includes approximately 1,365 acres and 0 current customers.

Staff has reviewed the application and recommends that the application be found administratively incomplete and insufficient for filing. Staff recommends the Applicant be ordered to provide the items listed below in order to proceed with the application process.

### **Mapping Content:**

Staff is unable to use the digital data filed for the requested area since it is not formatted in a known coordinate system and/or projection. Also, the detailed map does not show the requested area in reference to verifiable man-made and natural landmarks.

The Applicant must submit the following items to resolve the mapping deficiencies:

- A detailed map identifying the requested area in reference to verifiable man-made and natural landmarks, such as roads, rivers, and railroads.
- Revised digital mapping data for the requested area as a single polygon record, in a shapefile (SHP) format, georeferenced in either NAD83 Texas Statewide Mapping System (Meters) or NAD83 Texas State Plane Coordinate System (US Feet).

Staff recommends the Applicant contact mapping staff Tracy Montes, GIS Specialist at 512-936-7187 or by e-mail tracy.montes@puc.texas.gov for guidance resolving the mapping deficiencies.

The following items are not required for this application to be deemed administratively complete; however, they will be required during Staff's technical review of the application and can be submitted early.

### Financial Review

• Provide a written explanation of how the utility will obtain funds for the construction of the new water system to serve the Encino Estates Subdivision Addition.

## **Technical Review**

- Provide plan approval letter/letters from the TCEQ for the distribution system that will provide service to the Encino Estates Subdivision Addition.
- Provide documentation of subdivision plat approval by Liberty County for the Encino Estates Subdivision Addition.