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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
PRINCETON TO AMEND ITS WATER	§	
AND SEWER CERTIFICATES OF	§	OF TEXAS.
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AND	§	
TO DECERTIFY A PORTION OF	§	
ALTOGA WATER SUPPLY	§	
CORPORATION'S WATER SERVICE	§	
AREA IN COLLIN COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Request for Extension, and would show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On February 6, 2017, the City of Princeton (Princeton or Applicant) filed an application to amend its water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 13195 and sewer CCN No. 21057 and to decertify a portion of Altoga Water Supply Corporation's (Altoga WSC's) CCN in Collin County.

Previously, on October 18, 2016, in Docket No. 46452,¹ Altoga WSC and North Collin Special Utility District (North Collin SUD) filed an application for the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Collin County. Specifically, North Collin SUD sought approval to acquire all of the water assets of Altoga WSC held under water CCN No. 12580. On March 13, 2019, the Commission issued an order approving the transfer of facilities and certificate rights formerly held by Altoga WSC to North Collin SUD.

On September 21, 2018, in the present docket, No. 46835, Applicant and Staff filed a Joint Motion to Admit Evidence and Proposed Notice of Approval. Thereafter, on December 6, 2018, the ALJ issued Order No. 16, admitting evidence in this docket.

On December 11, 2018, the Commission ALJ issued Order No. 17 in the present docket, requiring Staff to provide a clarification statement related to two questions posed by the ALJ. Specifically, the ALJ sought clarification regarding (1) how many current customers exist in the requested service area, and (2) which entity is currently serving the requested area. On December

¹ *Application of Altoga Water Supply Corporation and North Collin County Special Utility District for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of Facilities and Certificate Rights in Collin County*, Docket No. 46452 (Mar. 13, 2019).

17, 2018, Staff filed a response, addressing the ALJ's questions. Staff also requested an extension in order to obtain further information from the Applicant regarding the ALJ's questions and to allow for the potential approval of the application in Docket No. 46452.

On January 2, 2019, the Commission ALJ issued Order No. 18, granting Staff's request for an extension. On January 29, 2019, Staff supplemented its earlier response to the ALJ's questions and requested an abatement due to the present docket's reliance on the disposition of Docket No. 46452.

On February 7, 2019, the Commission ALJ issued Order No. 19, granting Staff's request for an abatement. On March 5, 2019, the Commission ALJ issued Order No. 20, granting Staff's request to continue the abatement until March 20, 2019.

On March 19, 2019, Commission Staff filed a status report stating that the application in Docket No. 46452 had been approved by the Commission. As a result, the final map prepared by Staff, depicting the transfer of water service area from Altoga WSC to North Collin SUD is now current and accurate. Staff further proposed a revised procedural schedule to finalize the processing of the present docket.

On March 26, 2019, the Commission ALJ issued Order No. 21, approving Staff's proposed procedural schedule. Specifically, Order No. 21 required the parties to file an amended motion to admit evidence and revised notice of approval by April 3, 2019. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

On July 2, 2018, Applicant amended the water CCN portion of its application to reflect boundary changes based on an agreement between Applicant, Altoga WSC, and North Collin SUD. As a result of the agreement, instead of the Applicant pursuing decertification of water service area certificated to Altoga WSC, Applicant agreed to request dual-certification in the specified water service area.

Following approval of Docket No. 46452, water facilities and certificate rights formerly held by Altoga WSC were transferred to North Collin SUD. As a result, Altoga WSC is no longer certificated to the water service area at issue in the present matter. Rather, that portion of the water service area will be dually-certificated between Applicant and North Collin SUD.

Based on the dual-certification, North Collin SUD's water CCN No. 11035 will be amended in the present docket. Though North Collin SUD agreed to the amendment in the July

2, 2018 agreement, it must still review the final map and its revised water certificate in the present application.

Therefore, Staff requests an extension to present a consent form to North Collin SUD and request that North Collin SUD file a signed consent form indicating its approval of the final water CCN map and amended water certificate by April 10, 2019. Thereafter, on or before April 12, 2019, the parties propose to file an amended motion to admit evidence and a revised notice of approval for the Commission ALJ's consideration.

Staff conferred with Applicant regarding its extension request, and Applicant is in agreement with the proposed extension and the proposed revised procedural schedule.

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, Staff respectfully requests the Commission ALJ grant Staff's request for an extension and adopt the proposed revised procedural schedule for further processing of this docket.

Dated: April 3, 2019

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on April 3, 2019, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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