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APPLICATION OF GASTONIA- §  
 SCURRY SPECIAL UTILITY §  
 DISTRICT AND WEST CEDAR §  
 CREEK MUNICIPAL UTILITY §  
 DISTRICT FOR SALE, TRANSFER, §  
 OR MERGER OF CERTIFICATE §  
 RIGHTS IN KAUFMAN COUNTY §

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**ORDER NO. 1**  
**REQUIRING COMMISSION STAFF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATION**

**I. Application**

On July 28, 2017, Gastonia Scurry Special Utilities District and West Cedar Creek Municipal Utility District filed an application for approval of the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Kaufman County. Specifically, West Cedar Creek seeks to acquire a portion of the water assets and certificated service area of Gastonia under water certificate of convenience and necessity number 11499.

**II. Establishing Deadline for Commission Staff's Recommendation**

Commission Staff shall file, on or before **August 28, 2017**, comments/recommendation regarding administrative completeness of this application,<sup>1</sup> whether additional notice may be required to comply with the applicable procedural rules, and propose a schedule for processing.

The Commission will submit notice of this application for publication in the *Texas Register* on August 11, 2017.

**III. Filings**

Unless otherwise specified, an original and 10 copies of documents relating to this proceeding must be filed with the Commission filing clerk.<sup>2</sup> A copy of each document filed with

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<sup>1</sup> 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.8(a) (TAC),

<sup>2</sup> 16 TAC § 22.71.

the Commission must also be served on all parties.<sup>3</sup> All filings can be accessed on the PUC Interchange, <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov>.


All parties shall provide their current addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers, if available, to all other parties and the Commission by filing and serving all parties with such information. Each party shall provide the Commission and all parties with updated address, telephone, and facsimile information if such information changes. The telephone and facsimile numbers will be placed on the service list for this proceeding. Parties are responsible for updating their own service lists to reflect changed information and the addition of any other parties.

#### IV. Ex Parte Communications

*Ex parte* communications with the administrative law judges and presiding officer (collectively, ALJs) are prohibited.<sup>4</sup> Parties shall communicate with the ALJs only through written documents filed with the Commission's Filing Clerk and served on all parties. Questions concerning this order or any other order must be submitted in writing, filed with the Commission, and served on all parties of record.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2017.

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

  
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**JEFFREY J. HUHN**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

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<sup>3</sup> 16 TAC § 22.74.

<sup>4</sup> 16 TAC § 22.3(b)(2).