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APPLICATION OF UNDINE TEXAS,	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
LLC AND CONSUMERS WATER, INC.	§	
FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER	§	OF TEXAS
OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN HARRIS AND	§	
MONTGOMERY COUNTIES	§	
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# COMMISSION STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Supplemental Recommendation.

#### I. BACKGROUND

On August 7, 2017, Undine Texas, LLC (Undine) and Consumers Water, Inc. (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for approval of the sale, transfer, or merger of certificate rights in Harris and Montgomery counties (Application). Supplements to the application were filed on August 11, 2017 and August 28, 2017.

On September 27, Undine filed a proof of notice, indicating that notice was completed on September 26, 2017.<sup>2</sup>

On October 9, 2017, Staff filed a recommendation that Undine's provision of notice be deemed sufficient.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Application (August 7, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Proof of Notice (Sept. 27, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Commission Staff's Recommendation on Notice and Proposed Procedural Schedule (Oct. 9, 2017).

On October 12, 2017, Undine filed a supplemental proof of notice, indicating that notice inadvertently had not been provided to the county judges of Harris and Montgomery counties and that supplemental notice had been provided to them on October 11, 2017.<sup>4</sup>

#### II. SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION ON NOTICE

Staff has reviewed Undine's supplemental proof of notice and recommends that it be deemed to be sufficient.

Undine requests that the existing procedural schedule not be delayed because of the supplemental notice.<sup>5</sup> Staff agrees with Undine's request. Staff supports a good cause exception to the extent the presiding officer may find that one is necessary.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order consistent with the above discussion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Undine Texas, LLC's Supplemental Proof of Notice by Affidavit (Oct. 12, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Id. at 1.

Date: October 13, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,

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