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COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and in response to Order No. 1, files this Recommendation on Administrative Completeness. Staff recommends that the application be deemed insufficient and incomplete. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On November 14, 2017, Bethel-Ash Water Supply Corporation (Bethel-Ash) filed a petition to amend Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 10821, in Henderson County.

On November 15, 2017, Order No. 1 was issued, establishing a deadline of December 14, 2017, for Staff to file a recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application. This pleading is therefore timely filed.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

As detailed in the attached memorandum from Brannon Pennick in the Commission's Water Utility Regulation Division, Staff has reviewed the application and recommends that it be found administratively incomplete. Specifically, Staff has identified deficiencies in the information provided in accordance with 16 TAC §§ 24.105(a)(10), (a)(3)(A), (a)(5), and (a)(6). Bethel-Ash also failed to provide a copy of the most recent TCEQ water inspection report, and the number of connections currently served in the existing certificated area.

III. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends that the application be found administratively incomplete. Staff therefore recommends that a deadline of January 15, 2017, be established for Bethel-Ash to

supplement its application. Staff further recommends that a deadline of February 15, 2017 be established for Staff to review Bethel-Ash's supplemental information and make a supplemental recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the application be found administratively incomplete.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on December 14, 2017, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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PUC Interoffice Memorandum

To: Rachelle Robles, Attorney
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Thru: Lisa Fuentes, Manager
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From: Brannon Pennick, Financial Analyst
Water Utility Regulation Division

Date: December 14, 2017

Subject: **Docket No. 47776:** *Application of Bethel-Ash Water Supply Corporation to Amend a Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Henderson County*

On November 14, 2017, Bethel-Ash Water Supply Corporation (Applicant) filed an application to amend its water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 10821 in Henderson County, pursuant to Texas Water Code Ann., §§ 13.242 to 13.250 (West 2008) (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin Code §§ 24.101 to 24.107 (TAC). The total service area being requested includes approximately 478 acres and 5 current customers.

Staff has reviewed the information provided by the Applicant and recommends the application be deemed insufficient for filing due to the deficiencies detailed below.

Application Content

Staff recommends that the Applicant provide the following information:

- A current financial statement in accordance with 16 TAC § 24.105(a)(10);
- Demonstration of the need for service for the requested area in accordance with 16 TAC § 24.105 (a)(3)(A);
- Demonstration of how the proposed amendment is necessary for the service, accommodation, convenience, or safety of the public in accordance with 16 TAC § 24.105(a)(5);
- Statement regarding whether the existing infrastructure in place is adequate to provide service to the requested area or if additional facilities need to be constructed to provide service to the requested area in accordance with 16 TAC § 24.105(a)(6).
- A copy of the most recent TCEQ water inspection report; and
- The number of connections currently served in the existing certificated area.