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# COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON PROOF OF SALE DOCUMENTATION

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Recommendation on Proof of Sale Documentation in response to Order No. 6. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

#### I. BACKGROUND

On February 27, 2018, H20 Systems Plus/Coleto Water System (H20) and JRM Water, LLC dba JRM (JRM) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Victoria County, Texas. Specifically, JRM seeks approval to acquire facilities and to transfer all water service area from H20 under water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 11548. The requested area includes approximately 437 acres and 211 connections.

On July 2, 2018, Order No. 6 was issued, authorizing the Applicants to proceed with the transaction and establishing a deadline of 15 days from the filing of proof of sale documentation for Staff to file a recommendation on the sufficiency of the documentation and propose a procedural schedule for further processing. Applicants filed proof of sale documentation on January 14, 2019. Fifteen days from January 14 is January 29, 2019. This pleading is therefore timely filed.

## II. RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed the proof of sale documentation and recommends that the documentation be found sufficient. Under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.239(o) (formerly 16 TAC § 24.109), the Commission's approval of a sale, transfer, or merger transaction expires 180 days from the date of the Commission order allowing the transaction to proceed. Order



No. 6, which approved the transaction to proceed, was issued on July 2, 2018. December 29, 2018, is 180 days from July 2. Applicants provided an executed bill of sale dated December 16, 2018. The Applicants therefore closed the transaction before the expiration of the Commission's approval for the transaction to proceed. Applicants also provided an affidavit certifying that all customer deposits held by H20 have been transferred to JRM. Staff therefore recommends that the proof of sale documentation be found sufficient.

#### III. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends the sale documents be found sufficient. Staff therefore proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for Staff to provide final maps, certificates, and tariffs (if applicable), to Applicants for review and consent	February 15, 2019
Deadline for Applicants to file signed consent forms with the Commission	March 1, 2019
Deadline for parties to file joint proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law	March 8, 2019

#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the proof of sale documentation be found sufficient and that the procedural schedule proposed above be adopted for continued processing of this docket.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on January 17,

2019, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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