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STAFF'S FINAL RECOMMENDATION

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

I. BACKGROUND

On March 28, 2018, Albury Manor Utility Company (Albury Manor, or Applicant), Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11507, filed an application to implement a pass-through rate change pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.21. The pass-through adjustment is for an increase in the water production fee imposed on the Applicant by North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA).

On April 4, 2018, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued a notice setting April 24, 2018 as the deadline for Staff to file a recommendation on Albury Manor's application and notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed Albury Manor's application and notice. As supported by the attached memorandum of Kathryn Eiland of the Water Utility Regulation Division, Staff finds that the application and the supplemental information provided by the Applicant contain the information necessary to evaluate the application under 16 TAC § 24.21. Additionally, Staff finds that the revised notice provided by the Applicant meets the requirements of 16 TAC § 24.21. Finally, Staff finds that the application meets the requirements for approval under 16 TAC § 24.21 and should be approved.

III. CONCLUSION

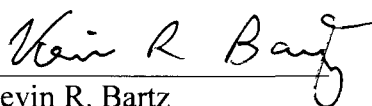
Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order deeming the application and revised notice sufficient and approving the pass-through rate change.

Dated: April 24, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Uhlig Pemberton
Division Director
Legal Division

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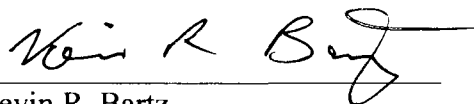


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on this the 24th of April, 2018 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



Kevin R. Bartz

PUC Interoffice Memorandum

To: Kevin Bartz, Attorney
Legal Division

Thru: Debi Loockerman, Financial Manager
Water Utility Regulation

From: Kathryn Eiland, Financial Analyst
Water Utility Regulation

Date: April 24, 2018

Subject: **Tariff Control No. 48206; *Application of Albury Manor Utility Company for a Pass-Through Rate Change***

On March 28, 2018, Albury Manor Utility Company (Applicant), Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11507 filed an application to implement a pass-through rate change pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §24.21. The pass-through adjustment is for an increase in the water production fee imposed on the Applicant by North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA).

The Applicant filed supplemental information, which included a request to utilize the pass-through provision formula in 16 TAC §24.21 (b)(2)(E) and a revised copy of their draft notice.

The Applicant proposed to increase the pass-through fee from \$4.94 to \$5.65 per 1,000 gallons up to 15,000 gallons and \$5.59 to \$6.30 per 1,000 gallon over 15,000 gallons. Staff confirmed that NHCRWA fees increased effective April 1, 2018 and that the Applicant's proposed pass-through increases were calculated correctly. Staff also reviewed the draft notice for conformity with 16 TAC §24.21 (b)(2)(F)(ii). Staff identified that the draft notice contains the required information.

Based upon review of the information submitted, Staff finds that the application is sufficient and recommends that the Commission do the following:

- 1) Approve the pass-through rate as requested by the Applicant; and
- 2) Provide a copy of the approved tariff to the Applicant (attached).



WATER UTILITY TARIFF
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Albury Manor Utility Company, Inc.
(Utility Name)

400 Randal Way, Suite 106
(Business Address)

Spring, Texas 77388
(City, State, Zip Code)

(281) 350-7000
(Area Code/Telephone)

This tariff is effective for utility operations under the following Certificate of Convenience and Necessity:

11507

This tariff is effective in the following county:

Harris

This tariff is effective in the following cities or unincorporated towns (if any):

None

This tariff is effective in the following subdivisions and/or public water systems:

Albury Manor: PWS ID# 1012052

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The above utility lists the following sections of its tariff (if additional pages are needed for a section, all pages should be numbered consecutively):

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SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE

Section 1.01 - Rates

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Monthly Minimum Charge</u>	<u>Gallonage Charge</u>
5/8" or 3/4"	<u>\$16.00</u> (including 0 gallons)	* <u>\$5.65</u> (per 1,000 gallons to 15,000 gallons)
1"	<u>\$26.72</u>	* <u>\$6.30</u> (per 1,000 gallons above 15,000 gallons)
2"	<u>\$85.28</u>	

*Includes North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) Fee of \$3.40 and line loss of 12.83%. (**Tariff Control No. 48206**)

FORM OF PAYMENT: The utility will accept the following forms of payment:

Cash X, Check X, Money Order X, Credit Card _____, Other (specify) _____
 THE UTILITY MAY REQUIRE EXACT CHANGE FOR PAYMENTS AND MAY REFUSE TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS MADE USING MORE THAN \$1.00 IN SMALL COINS. A WRITTEN RECEIPT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CASH PAYMENTS.

REGULATORY ASSESSMENT 1.0%
 PUC RULES REQUIRE THE UTILITY TO COLLECT A FEE OF ONE PERCENT OF THE RETAIL MONTHLY BILL AND TO REMIT THOSE FEES TO THE TCEQ.

Section 1.02 - Miscellaneous Fees

TAP FEE \$300.00
 TAP FEE COVERS THE UTILITY'S COSTS FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR TO INSTALL A STANDARD RESIDENTIAL 5/8" or 3/4" METER. AN ADDITIONAL FEE TO COVER UNIQUE COSTS IS PERMITTED IF LISTED ON THIS TARIFF.

TAP FEE (Unique costs) Actual Cost
 FOR EXAMPLE, A ROAD BORE FOR CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE OF SUBDIVISIONS OR RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

TAP FEE (Large meter) Actual Cost
 TAP FEE IS THE UTILITY'S ACTUAL COST FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR FOR METER SIZE INSTALLED.

METER RELOCATION FEE Actual Relocation Cost, Not to Exceed Tap Fee
 THIS FEE MAY BE CHARGED IF A CUSTOMER REQUESTS THAT AN EXISTING METER BE RELOCATED.

METER TEST FEE \$25.00
 THIS FEE WHICH SHOULD REFLECT THE UTILITY'S COST MAY BE CHARGED IF A CUSTOMER REQUESTS A SECOND METER TEST WITHIN A TWO-YEAR PERIOD AND THE TEST INDICATES THAT THE METER IS RECORDING ACCURATELY. THE FEE MAY NOT EXCEED \$25.

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SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE (Continued)

RECONNECTION FEE

THE RECONNECT FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE SERVICE CAN BE RESTORED TO A CUSTOMER WHO HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS (OR OTHER REASONS LISTED UNDER SECTION 2.0 OF THIS TARIFF):

- a) Nonpayment of bill (Maximum \$25.00).....\$25.00
- b) Customer's request that service be disconnected\$50.00

TRANSFER FEE\$25.00

THE TRANSFER FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR CHANGING AN ACCOUNT NAME AT THE SAME SERVICE LOCATION WHEN THE SERVICE IS NOT DISCONNECTED

LATE CHARGE (EITHER \$5.00 OR 10% OF THE BILL) 10%

PUC RULES ALLOW A ONE-TIME PENALTY TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT BILLS. A LATE CHARGE MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO ANY BALANCE TO WHICH THE PENALTY WAS APPLIED IN A PREVIOUS BILLING.

RETURNED CHECK CHARGE\$20.00

RETURNED CHECK CHARGES MUST BE BASED ON THE UTILITY'S DOCUMENTABLE COST.

CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RESIDENTIAL (Maximum \$50).....\$50.00

COMMERCIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT..... 1/6TH OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL BILL

GOVERNMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION AND COSTS SURCHARGE

WHEN AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY TCEQ AND AFTER NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS, THE UTILITY MAY INCREASE RATES TO RECOVER INCREASED COSTS FOR INSPECTION FEES AND WATER TESTING. [16 TAC 24.21(b)(2)(F)]

LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES:

REFER TO SECTION 3.0--EXTENSION POLICY FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND CHARGES WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SERVICE.

SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE (Continued)

Pass Through Provision

The North Harris County Regional Water Authority's well pumpage fees will be passed through to the customers of Albury Manor Utility Company as an adjustment to the gallonage charge on the monthly water bills, in accordance with the following formula:

$AG = G + [B / (1 - L)]$, Where:

AG = adjusted gallonage rate;

G = approved gallonage rate;

B = change in fee (per 1000 gallons);

L = water loss, not to exceed 15%.