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APPLICATION OF NERRO SUPPLY INVESTORS, LLC TO AMEND A WATER CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND PROPOSED NOTICE

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 and Proposed Notice. Staff recommends that the application be deemed sufficient for further review. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On April 9, 2018, Nerro Supply Investors, LLC (Nerro) filed an application to amend its water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 10336 in Montgomery County. The total service area being requested includes approximately fifty five (55) acres and no (0) current customers. On May 1, 2018, Nerro filed a supplement to their application.

On April 10, 2018, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 1 requiring Staff to file a recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application and proposed notice as well as propose a procedural schedule for further processing of the application. The deadline provided was May 9, 2018. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

As detailed in the attached memorandum of Leila Guerrero in the Commission's Water Utility Regulation Division, Staff has reviewed the application and recommends that it be found administratively complete and accepted for filing.

III. NOTICE

As further detailed in the attached memorandum, Staff recommends that Nerro proceed with providing public notice and be directed to use the attached forms to provide such notice to the following persons, political subdivisions and other entities:

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- a. cities, districts, and neighboring retail public utilities providing the same utility service whose corporate boundaries or certificated service area are located within two miles from the outer boundary of the requested area;
- b. the county judge of each county that is wholly or partially included in the requested area;
- c. each groundwater conservation district that is wholly or partially included in the requested area; and
- d. landowners who own a tract of land that is at least 25 acres and is wholly or partly located in the requested area to be certified. The landowner information may be obtained from the county appraisal district tax rolls for the county or counties in which the requested area is located;
- e. any affected customers, and other affected parties in the requested area; and
- f. publish notice once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Montgomery County.

In addition, Staff recommends that Nerro provide correct notice of the application to the following entities:

- H-M-W SUD (CCN No. 10342)
- Johnston Water Utility LLC (CCN No. 12788)
- Pinehurst Decker Prairie WSC (CCN No. 11768)
- Quadvest LP (CCN No. 11612)
- South Central Water Company (CCN No. 13061)
- T & W Water Service (CCN No. 12892)
- Town of Stagecoach
- Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District
- San Jacinto River Authority
- Montgomery County Judge

Staff further recommends that the applicant do the following:

- Provide an accurate map delineating the requested area with each individual notice to neighboring utilities, other affected parties, landowners and customers. Information related to districts including addresses can be obtained by Nerro from the TCEQ's web site located at <u>http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/iwud/</u>
- 2. Within 30 days of the date of the notice, file in the docket a map and copy of notice along with an affidavit specifying every person and entity to whom notice was provided, the date that the notice was provided, and the publisher's affidavit for proof of newspaper publication. It is recommended that Nerro use the attached notices and affidavits to meet these requirements.
- 3. In addition, please provide copies of the balance sheet and income statement (financial statement) for the year 2016 and projected financial statements for five years (2018 2022).

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff has conferred with the representative for Nerro, Bret W. Fenner, and is authorized to report that Nerro agrees with the following proposed procedural schedule:

Event	Date	
Deadline for Nerro to file with the Commission signed affidavits that the notice was given along with a copy of the notice sent to the affected parties and published in a newspaper of general circulation	June 25, 2018	
Deadline for Staff to file a recommendation on	Within 10 days of Nerro filing proof	
sufficiency of notice and propose a supplemental	of completed notice with the	
procedural schedule	Commission	
Deadline to intervene	30 days after notice is issued	

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, Staff recommends that the application be found administratively complete, that Nerro be directed to provide notice as detailed above and in the attached memorandum, and that the procedural schedule be adopted.

Dated: May 8, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on May 8, 2018 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.

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Oshea Spencer

То:	Oshea Spencer, Attorney Legal Division	
Thru:	Lisa Fuentes, Manager Water Utility Regulation Division	
From:	Leila Guerrero, Regulatory Accountant/Auditor Water Utility Regulation Division	
Date:	May 4, 2018	
Subject:	Docket No. 48246 , <i>Application of Nerro Supply Investors</i> , LLC to Amend its Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Montgomery County	

On April 9, 2018, Nerro Supply Investors, LLC (Applicant) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) an application to amend its water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 10336 in Montgomery County, Texas pursuant to Texas Water Code Ann. (TWC), §§ 13.242 to 13.250 and the 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §§ 24.101 to 24.107. The requested area includes approximately 55 acres and 0 current customers.

Staff has reviewed the application information and recommends that the application be deemed sufficient for filing and be found administratively complete. Staff further recommends the Applicant be ordered to do the following:

- 1) Provide notice of the application to the following:
 - a) cities, districts, and neighboring retail public utilities providing the same utility service whose corporate boundaries or certificated service area are located within two miles from the outer boundary of the requested area;
 - b) the county judge of each county that is wholly or partially included in the requested area;
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Notice to Neighboring Systems, Landowners and Cities

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF NERRO SUPPLY INVESTORS, LLC TO AMEND A WATER CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (CCN) IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

To:

Date Notice Mailed: _____, 2018

(Neighboring System, Landowner or City)

(Address)

(City State Zip)

Nerro Supply Investors, LLC filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to amend its water CCN No. 10336 in Montgomery County, Texas.

The requested area is located approximately $\underline{4}$ miles <u>southeast</u> of downtown <u>Magnolia</u>, Texas, and is generally bounded on the north by <u>Gossamer Lane</u>; on the east by <u>Adams Lane</u>; on the south by <u>FM 1774</u>; and on the west by <u>Hazy Meadows Lane and FM 1774</u>. The total area for the water utility service being requested includes approximately <u>55</u> acres of land and <u>0</u> current customers. **See enclosed map of the proposed service area.**

Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is (30 days from the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later, unless otherwise provided by the presiding officer). You must send a letter requesting intervention to the commission which is received by that date.

If a valid public hearing is requested, the Commission will forward the application to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for a hearing. If no settlement is reached and an evidentiary hearing is held, SOAH will submit a recommendation to the Commission for final decision. An evidentiary hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

A landowner with a tract of land at least 25 acres or more, that is partially or wholly located within the requested area, may file a written with the Commission to be excluded from the requested area ("opt out") within (30) days from the date that notice was provided by the applicant. All opt out requests must include a large scale map and a metes and bounds description of the landowner's tract of land.

Persons who wish to request this option should file the required documents with the:

Public Utility Commission of Texas Central Records 1701 North Congress Avenue P.O. Box 13326 Austin, Texas 78711-3326

In addition, the landowner must also send a copy of the opt-out to the applicant. Staff may request additional information regarding your request.

Si desea información en español, puede llamar al 1-888-782-8477.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION



AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE TO CURRENT CUSTOMERS, LANDOWNERS, NEIGHBORING UTILITIES AND AFFECTED PARTIES DOCKET NO. **48246**

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF _____

has provided individual notice to the following entities, landowners and customers: DATE OF NOTICE

OATH

I, ______, being duly sworn, file this form as ________, indicate relationship to applicant, that is, owner, member of partnership, title of officer of corporation, or other authorized representative of applicant); that in such capacity, I am qualified and authorized to file and verify such form, am personally familiar with the notices given with this application, and have complied with all notice requirements in the application and application acceptance letter; and that all such statements made and matters set for therein are true and correct.

Applicant's Authorized Representative

If the applicant to this form is any person other than the sole owner, partner, officer of the applicant, or its' attorney, a properly verified Power of Attorney must be enclosed.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ______ day of ______, 20____, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Print or Type Name of Notary Public

Commission Expires

Notice for Publication

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A copy of the proposed service area map may be viewed at: <u>P.O. Box 691008, Houston, Texas</u> 77269 (281) 355-1312.

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STATE OF TEXAS			
COUNTY OF			
Before me, the undersigned authority, on	this day personally appeared	,	
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who being by me duly sworn, deposes and that (s	s)he is the		
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this		, 2018	
to certify which witness my hand and seal of offi	.ce.		
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas			
Print or Type Name of Notary Public			
Commission Expires			