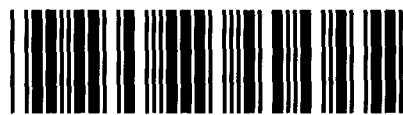




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**APPLICATION OF EL PASO WATER §
UTILITIES PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD §
TO DECERTIFY A PORTION OF ITS §
CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE §
AND NECESSITY IN EL PASO §
COUNTY**

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**
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**ORDER NO. 1
REQUIRING COMMENTS ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND NOTICE;
AND ADDRESSING OTHER PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

I. Application

This Order addresses the May 1, 2018 application of El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board (EPWU) to decertify a portion of water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) No. 10211 and sewer CCN No. 21008 in El Paso County. A portion of the certificated area is not near any of EPWU's existing utility infrastructure and does not have utility service in such area. Therefore, EPWU is requesting to decertify a portion of area from its water and sewer CCN Nos in order for Horizon Regional Municipal District (HRMUD) to extend water and sewer services to such area. The total service area affected includes approximately 342 acres of the water service area and 487 acres of the sewer service area and 0 current customers.

**II. Requiring Comments on the Administrative Completeness of Application
and Proposed Notice**

On or before May 31, 2018, Commission Staff shall file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and proposed notice. By May 31, 2018, EPWU and Commission Staff shall file a recommendation regarding how this petition should be processed and propose a procedural schedule. Notice of this application will appear in the *Texas Register*.

III. Discovery

Discovery may proceed informally; however, objections to Requests for Information (RFIs) must be filed and served within 10 days of receiving the RFI. Objections shall include a statement that negotiations were conducted diligently and in good faith. If the parties are unable to resolve a discovery dispute, a motion to compel a response to an RFI must be filed and served within five working days of receipt of an objection. The motion to compel shall specify the

grounds for the motion.

IV. Filings

Unless otherwise specified, an original and ten copies of documents relating to this proceeding must be filed with the Commission filing clerk.¹ A copy of each document filed with the Commission must also be served on all parties as provided in 16 TAC § 22.74. All filings can be accessed on the PUC Interchange, <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov>.

All parties shall provide their current addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers, if available, to all other parties and the Commission by filing and serving all parties with such information. Each party shall provide the Commission and all parties with updated address, telephone, and facsimile information if such information changes. The telephone and facsimile numbers will be placed on the service list for the convenience of the parties. Parties are responsible for updating their own service lists to reflect changed information and the addition of any other parties.

V. Ex Parte Communications

Ex parte communications with the administrative law judges and presiding officer are prohibited.² Parties shall communicate with the ALJs only through written documents filed with the Commission's filing clerk and served on all parties. Questions concerning this order or any other order must be submitted in writing, filed with the Commission, and served on all parties of record.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 3rd day of May 2018.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS


MAYSON PEARSON
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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¹ 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.71 (TAC).

² 16 TAC § 22.3(b)(2).