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APPLICATION OF CHUCK BELL DBA \$ CHUCK BELL WATER SYSTEMS, LLC \$ AND UNDINE TEXAS, LLC FOR \$ SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF \$ FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE \$ RIGHTS IN JOHNSON AND TARRANT \$ COUNTIES

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

ORDER NO. 1 REQUIRING COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

I. Application

This Order addresses the May 24, 2018 application of Chuck Bell d/b/a Chuck Bell Water Systems, LLC and Undine Texas, LLC, for sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Johnson and Tarrant Counties. If approved, Chuck Bell's facilities and water service area under certificate of convenience and necessity number 12190 will transfer to Undine Texas, LLC. The transfer includes several hundred acres and approximately 288 current customers.

Undine noted that recent Commission action requesting the Attorney General to seek the appointment of a receiver for the Chuck Bell water systems serves as good cause for an exception to the notice requirements in 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.109(b).

II. Applicant Information

Undine Texas, LLC shall file the following information and supporting documentation on or before June 4, 2018:

- 1. The legal name and all assumed names, if any, under which the applicant conducts business. If the applicant uses an assumed name, provide a currently valid certificate of assumed name.
- 2. The form of business in Texas (e.g., corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship). Charter or Authorization number, date business was formed, and date change was made (if applicable).

3. Legal name of parent company, if any, and a description of its primary business interests and the name of any companies affiliated with the applicant with which it does any business. Provide the state and date in which the parent company is registered. (The Commission requires registration with the Secretary of State for all forms of business, except sole proprietorships.)

III. Establishing Deadline for Commission Staff's Recommendation

Commission Staff shall file on or before June 25, 2018, a recommendation regarding administrative completeness of this application, whether additional notice may be required to comply with the applicable rules, and propose a schedule for processing.

The Commission will submit notice of this application for publication in the *Texas Register*.

IV. Filings

Unless otherwise specified, an original and ten copies of documents relating to this proceeding must be filed with the Commission filing clerk.² A copy of each document filed with the Commission must also be served on all parties.³ Filings can be accessed on the PUC Interchange, http://interchange.puc.texas.gov.

All parties shall provide their current addresses, telephone and fax 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 fax information if such information changes. The telephone and fax numbers will be placed on the service list for this proceeding. Parties are responsible for updating their own service lists to reflect changed information and the addition of any other parties.

¹ 16 TAC § 24.8(a).

² 16 TAC § 22.71.

³ 16 TAC § 22.74.

V. Ex Parte Communications

Ex parte communications with the administrative law judges and presiding officer (collectively, ALJs) are prohibited.⁴ 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 30H day of May 2018.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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⁴ 16 TAC § 22.3(b)(2).