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**APPLICATION OF AQUA TEXAS,  
INC. AND TOWN OF BUFFALO GAP  
FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR  
MERGER OF FACILITIES AND  
CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN TAYLOR  
COUNTY (GAP WATER SYSTEM)**

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**STATUS UPDATE NO. 9**

COME NOW, Aqua Texas, Inc. ("Aqua") and the Town of Buffalo Gap ("Town") (collectively, the "Applicants") and file this Status Update No. 9 regarding the status of the Applicants' efforts to conclude the transaction, address customer deposits, and submit evidence of same.

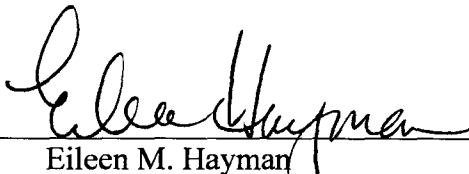
On August 2, 2018, the Applicants filed an application for Sale, Transfer or Merger of Facilities and Certificate Rights in Taylor County related to the Gap Water System. On November 28, 2018, the Commission issued Order No. 4 Approving Transaction to Proceed, to be concluded by May 28, 2019. Order No. 4 required the Applicants to submit monthly updates regarding the status of efforts to conclude the transaction, address customer deposits, and submit documents evidencing same beginning on December 20, 2018, and each month thereafter. On May 23, 2019, the Commission entered Order No. 5 Granting Request for Extension allowing the Applicants until November 25, 2019 to conclude the transaction. On July 17, 2019, the Commission entered Order No. 6 Status Update Required directing the Applicants to continue to file monthly updates regarding the status of efforts to conclude the transaction, address customer deposits, and submit documents evidencing same beginning on July 25, 2019, and each month thereafter.

Applicants filed Status Update No. 8 on July 19, 2019 in which the Town reported that it was working on completing the final four (4) easements on privately-owned property and for approval of an easement with the City of Abilene. As of the date of this Status Update No. 9, the

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Town has not obtained any additional easements, but has made progress in finalizing the content on two (2) of the privately-owned easements and is merely waiting on execution of the other two (2) easements. Final approval of the City of Abilene easement is delayed until the September 12, 2019 Abilene City Council meeting. Another issue has arisen with the Texas Department of Transportation, but the Town's engineers are working on an alternate route that would avoid the complication of having to obtain additional easements. The Town is still working towards trying to close the loan with USDA as soon as possible. Aqua is waiting on the Town's process with USDA to conclude before proceeding with action to close the approved transaction with the Town and address customer deposits.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on August 20, 2019 in accordance with P.U.C. Procedural Rule 22.74.

  
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