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APPLICATION OF AQUA TEXAS,	§	PUBLIC	
INC. AND TOWN OF BUFFALO GAP FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND	§ §	. 032	
			CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN TAYLOR
			OUNTY (GAP WATER SYSTEM)

PUBLICITELITY COMMISSION COLUMN CLERK

STATUS UPDATE NO. 13

COME NOW, Aqua Texas, Inc. ("Aqua") and the Town of Buffalo Gap ("Town") (collectively, the "Applicants") and file this Status Update No. 13 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 November 25, 2019, the Commission entered Order No. 7 Granting Request for Extension allowing the Applicants until May 25, 2020 to conclude the transaction.

Applicants filed Status Update No. 12 on November 19, 2019 in which the Town reported that it lacked two (2) easements. As of the date of this Status Update No. 13, due in part to the Town's engineers changing the route for the waterline, the Town has obtained both easements. The Town is currently in the process of submitting all of the easements and other required

documentation to the United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") to request closing instructions and plans to have everything submitted by early next week. The Town's engineers estimate that, given the timing of the Town's submission, it will take USDA 45-60 days to issue closing instructions. 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 December 2019 in accordance with P.U.C. Procedural Rule 22.74.

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