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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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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**



STATUS UPDATE NO. 19

COME NOW, Aqua Texas, Inc. (“Aqua”) and the Town of Buffalo Gap (“Town”) (collectively, the “Applicants”) and file this Status Update No. 19 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. On May 22, 2020, the Commission entered Order No. 8 Granting Request for Extension allowing the Applicants until September 30, 2020 to conclude the transaction.

Applicants filed Status Update No. 18 on May 18, 2020 in which the Town reported that one of the other two entities involved in the joint project with the United States Department of

Agriculture (“USDA”) had received its authorization to proceed, but the other had not because that entity had not submitted all of its required paperwork. As of the date of this Status Update No. 19, the remaining entity has submitted all of its required paperwork, but USDA has not yet issued authorization for that entity to proceed. Such authorization is expected within the next two (2) weeks. Upon receipt of said authorization, the Town’s engineers – who are also the engineers for the joint project – will begin the process of bidding out the project. Once a bid has been accepted for the project, the Town will be able to close with USDA and receive funding with which to complete the transaction with Aqua. 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 June 25, 2020 in accordance with P.U.C. Procedural Rule 22.74.

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