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**APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF  
EDINBURG TO AMEND A  
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE  
AND NECESSITY UNDER TEXAS  
WATER CODE § 13.255 AND  
DECERTIFY A PORTION OF  
NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY  
CORPORATION’S SERVICE AREA  
IN HIDALGO COUNTY**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF TEXAS**

**COMMISSION STAFF’S FINAL RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Commission Staff’s Final Recommendation. Staff recommends that the application be approved. In support thereof, Staff would show the following:

**I. BACKGROUND**

On September 27, 2018, the City of Edinburg (Edinburg) filed an application to amend water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 12106 to incorporate areas it currently serves and decertify a portion of North Alamo Water Supply Corporation’s (North Alamo WSC) water service area in Hidalgo County. The requested service area consists of 258 acres. Supplemental information was filed on March 26, 2019, September 3, 2019, October 25, 2019, January 28, 2020, March 18, 2020, April 1, 2020, May 26, 2020, and July 13, 2020.

On September 21, 2020, Order No. 17 was issued establishing a deadline of October 5, 2020 for Staff to file a final recommendation on the application. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

**II. FINAL RECOMMENDATION**

After review, and as supported by the attached memorandum of Patricia Garcia of the Infrastructure Division, Staff recommends that the application be approved. Based on Staff’s review, Edinburg meets all of the applicable technical, managerial, and financial requirements to demonstrate the capacity to provide continuous and adequate service. Staff further recommends that the amendment of Edinburg’s water CCN No. 12106 and the decertification of a portion of

North Alamo WSC's water CCN No. 10553 is necessary for the service, accommodation, , and safety of the public.

The final map and applicable certificate were consented to by Edinburg on September 10, 2020 and by North Alamo WSC on September 24, 2020. Staff recommends that Edinburg and North Alamo WSC file certified copies of the CCN map along with a written description of the CCN service area in the Hidalgo County Clerk's office pursuant to Texas Water Code (TWC) §§ 13.257 (r)-(s).

### III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order consistent with the foregoing.

**Dated: October 5, 2020**

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
LEGAL DIVISION**

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on October 5, 2020, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

*/s/ John Harrison*  
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## PUC Interoffice Memorandum

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**To:** John Harrison, Attorney  
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**From:** Patricia Garcia, Senior Engineering Specialist  
Infrastructure Division

**Date:** October 5, 2020

**Subject:** **Docket No. 48714**, *Application of the City of Edinburg to Amend Certificate of Convenience and Necessity under Texas Water Code § 13.255 and Decertify a Portion of North Alamo Water Supply Corporation's Service Area in Hidalgo County*

On September 26, 2018, the City of Edinburg (Edinburg) filed an application to amend Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Hidalgo County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.255 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.259. Specifically, Edinburg seeks approval to decertify a portion of North Alamo Water Supply Corporation's (North Alamo WSC) water CCN No. 10553 and amend Edinburg's water CCN No. 12106. Edinburg has historically and is currently providing service to the area, which has been annexed by Edinburg.

Edinburg has filed an agreement pursuant to TWC § 13.255(a) that provides for single certification to Edinburg in a portion of North Alamo WSC's current service area. The result of this agreement is that approximately 258 acres of service area will be decertified from North Alamo WSC's water CCN No. 10553 and Edinburg's water CCN No. 12106 will be amended to include the applicable 258 acres. Edinburg has demonstrated compliance with the Commission's minimum requirements for public drinking water systems pursuant to TWC § 13.255(m).

Edinburg consented to the proposed final maps on September 10, 2020.

The North Alamo WSC consented to the proposed final maps on September 24, 2020.

Edinburg and North Alamo WSC have met the requirements to allow for the single certification of requested area; therefore, Staff recommends that the Commission approve the application. Staff further recommends that Edinburg and North Alamo WSC file a copy of the new CCN maps along with a written description of the CCN service areas in the appropriate county clerk's office pursuant to TWC § 13.257(r) and (s).