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To: Chuck Bell
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Commission Staff – Water Utility Regulation
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Re: Tariff Control No. 48796 – *Application of Chuck Bell Water Systems L.L.C. for Approval of a Sampling Fee Surcharge*

NOTICE OF APPROVAL

This Notice addresses Chuck Bell Water Systems L.L.C.'s application for approval of a sampling fee surcharge for lead and copper testing. The surcharge applies to customers served by the Martin Creek Public Water System number 1260122. Chuck Bell requests approval to collect \$200.00 from 24 connections.

The administrative law judge (ALJ) deems the application sufficient.

In the application, Chuck Bell calculated the surcharge as \$8.42 per connection for a period of one month. However, Commission Staff calculated the surcharge as \$8.33 per connection.¹

Additionally, Commission Staff proposed the bill sent to customers that includes the surcharge should contain the following statement: *A sampling surcharge has been approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas to cover sampling fees incurred by the utility and required by the Safe Drinking Water Act.*

In accordance with 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.25(b)(2)(A)(viii) and (b)(2)(G)(ii)(I), the Commission approves Chuck Bell's application and a surcharge rate of \$8.33 per

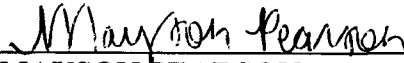
¹ \$200.00/24 connections = \$8.33



connection for one month. Chuck Bell is not authorized by the Commission to collect more than the total amount of the surcharge.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 12th day of December 2018.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS



**MAYSON PEARSON
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**