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APPLICATION OF NORTHTOWN § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
ACRES WATER SUPPLY FOR § OF
AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

NORTHTOWN ACRES' RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 8

COMES NOW Sheroll and Roger Richardson d.b.a. Northtown Acres Water Supply (Northtown Acres) and files this response to Order No. 8 and request for rescheduling of prehearing conference.

I. Introduction

SOAH Order No. 8 lifted the abatement in this proceeding and scheduled a prehearing conference for December 10, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. to address a procedural schedule, including whether any amendments to the application or supplemental notice to customers is necessary, as well as whether mediation is appropriate. SOAH Order No. 8 requests that if parties are able to reach an agreement on these issues, they may request cancellation of the prehearing conference by December 8, 2020.

II. Request to Postpone Prehearing Conference

Although parties have not reached an agreement on the issues to be addressed in the upcoming prehearing conference, Northtown Acres and Staff have been in discussions on the contents of an amended application and the need for notice. Northtown Acres is in the process of amending its application but does not expect to be able to file such amendment until at least December 16. As such, parties may not be able to address a procedural schedule and the need for additional notice at this time. Therefore, Northtown Acres proposes to file an amended application by December 16, 2020, and requests that the prehearing conference be postponed to a date that is at least one week from December 16 to allow parties the opportunity to review Northtown Acres' amended application.

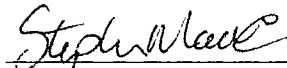
Northtown Acres has conferred with Staff, Mr. Frank Marx and Mr. Mark Parker on this request and all parties are agreeable to postponing the prehearing conference.

III. Conclusion

For the above stated reasons, Northtown Acres respectfully requests that the prehearing conference scheduled for December 10 be postponed, that Northtown Acres be given until the 16th day of December, 2019, to file an amended application, and that a prehearing conference be reset for a date at least one week after Northtown Acres files its amended application.

Dated: December 8, 2020

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 8, 2020, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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