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

**SOAH ORDER NO. 10
ESTABLISHING INTERIM PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

Northtown Acres Water Supply (Applicant) filed an amended application on December 16, 2020, and, on January 15, 2021, a report requesting approval of its proposed notice.

On January 15, 2021, Commission Staff filed a recommendation on sufficiency of the amended application. Based on that recommendation, the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) find the amended application administratively complete.

In its review, Staff identifies significant changes from the application originally filed and recommends that the amended application be regarded as a new application, requiring new notice, a new proposed effective date, and new opportunity to intervene. For the reasons identified by Staff, the ALJs find that the amendments are significant enough to warrant treating the amendment as a new application.

Both Applicant and Staff initially proposed separate interim schedules, but subsequently submitted a joint schedule, which the ALJs adopt below:

Event	Deadline
Northtown Acres to provide notice to affected customers, municipalities, and the Office of Public Utility Counsel	February 1, 2021
Northtown Acres to file with the Commission signed affidavits that the notice was given along with a copy of the notice	February 5, 2021


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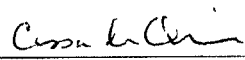
Event	Deadline
Staff to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice	February 26, 2021
Intervention Deadline	March 8, 2021
Parties to submit a joint proposed procedural schedule or to request a prehearing conference	March 15, 2021

The ALJs do not approve the Applicant's proposed notice, as requested, but rather will rely on Staff's comments on sufficiency. However, the Applicant should include with its notice instructions on how to intervene and the intervention deadline, set out above.

Staff also requests a suspension of the effective date under 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.33(a). That section allows the effective date to be suspended for 265 days from the proposed effective date included in the notice. The Applicant does not oppose a suspension of its effective date, but requests an expeditious process given its asserted under-recovery of revenue. Because the new proposed effective date has not yet been noticed, the request to suspend it is premature. Staff may renew its request in its comments on sufficiency.

SIGNED January 21, 2021.


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