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PUCT DOCKET NO. 48819

RATEPAYER COMMENTS/REQUESTS TO INTERVENE

If you wish to PROTEST the proposed rate change, you must submit this form and 10 copies by March 8, 2021 to:

Filing Clerk  
Public Utility Commission of Texas  
1701 North Congress Avenue  
P.O. Box 13326  
Austin, Texas 78711-3326

Unless protests are received from at least 10% of ratepayers or from any affected municipality, or the Commission Staff requests a hearing, no hearing will be held, and the rates will be effective as proposed.

CUSTOMER INFORMATION (to be completed by customers submitting protests)

First Name: Pedro A Last Name: Lopez  
Phone Number: 903-641-0458 Fax Number: 903-641-0598  
Email Address: texasengines@yahoo.com  
Address, City, State: 4804 NW CR 0022  
Location where service is received: CORSICANA, TX. 75110  
(if different from the mailing address)

Please fill out the following:

I wish to PROTEST the following proposed rate action/s:

☒ I wish to be a COMMENTER. I understand that: I am NOT a party to this case; my comments are not considered evidence in this case; and I have no further obligation to participate in the proceeding. Public comments may help inform the PUCT of the public concerns and identify issues to be explored. Please provide comments below. Attach a separate page, if necessary.

☐ I am requesting to INTERVENE in this proceeding. As an INTERVENOR, I understand that: I am a party to the case; I am required to respond to all discovery requests from other parties; I may be required to attend hearings, and if I file testimony, I may be cross-examined in the hearing; if I file any documents in the case, I must provide a copy to every other party in the case; and I acknowledge that I am bound by the Procedural Rules of the PUCT and the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH).

Signature of Protester:

Pedro A Lopez

Date:

3/8/21

Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al  
1-888-782-8477

Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones may contact the PUCT's Customer Assistance Hotline at

512-936-7136

**Northtown Acres Water Supply**

**18770 F.M. 709 N**

**Dawson, Texas 76639**

**Date: January 29, 2021**

Dear Valued Customer,

We understand that times are tough for everyone and we value you as a customer; however, Northtown Acres needs to increase its water rates to pay for the costs of providing water and to continue to maintain quality service that our customers deserve.

As you probably know, Northtown Acres has filed a rate case, **PUC Docket No. 48819**, to adjust rates for the entire Northtown Acres Water System, which includes the areas of Northtown Acres and North Petty Chapel. Due to the length of time the case has taken to process, more than 3 years, as well as issues raised in the case, **Northtown Acres has filed an updated rate application in Docket No. 48819 and is providing the attached notice of the new proposed rates and a purchased water pass-through adjustment clause.**

**Any customer wishing to comment or intervene in the case must do so by March 8, 2021.** Should you wish to do so, the attached notice contains forms and instructions for your convenience.

We at Northtown Acres Water Supply hope that you and your family are doing well and appreciate your understanding.

Sincerely,

Roger & Sheroll Richardson,  
Northtown Acres Water

Cc: Office of Public Utility Counsel

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE  
PURSUANT TO  
TEXAS WATER CODE §§ 13.1871 AND 13.18715**

Northtown Acres Water Supply

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Company Name

CCN Number(s)

has filed a rate change application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission or PUCT). The application may be reviewed online at [interchange.puc.texas.gov](http://interchange.puc.texas.gov). You may also inspect a copy of the rate change application at your utility's office at the address below or at the Commission's office (1701 N. Congress Ave. Austin, TX 78701). The proposed rates will apply to service received after the effective date provided below, unless modified or suspended by the Commission. If the Commission receives a sufficient number of protests, separately or in a combined protest letter, from at least [number of] ratepayers (10 percent of the utility's customers over whose rates the Commission has original jurisdiction) or from any affected municipality before the 91st day after the proposed effective date, the matter will be set for hearing. **See Protest Form on the next page for instructions on how to protest.**

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED INCREASE:** March 8, 2021

(must be at least 35 days after notice is provided to customers and 35 days after application is filed)

(Proposed rates requested by the utility are not final. The Commission may modify the rates and order a refund or credit against future bills; all sums collected during the pendency of the rate proceeding in excess of the rate finally ordered plus interest.)

**Reason(s) for Proposed Rate Change:**

The proposed rate increase is necessary to recover Northtown Acres' cost of providing retail water service to customers. Current rates do not recover the majority of Northtown Acres' employee expense, purchase water expense, and return on and of utility investment as required by Texas law.

**BILLING COMPARISON**

**Water**

Existing	5,000 gallons: \$	<u>33.75</u>	/mo	Proposed	5,000 gallons: \$	<u>77.00</u>	/mo
Existing	10,000 gallons: \$	<u>48.75</u>	/mo	Proposed	10,000 gallons: \$	<u>119.00</u>	/mo

**Water – Pass Through Charges**

Existing	5,000 gallons: \$	<u>9.80</u>	/mo	Proposed	5,000 gallons: \$	<u>0</u>	/mo
Existing	10,000 gallons: \$	<u>19.60</u>	/mo	Proposed	10,000 gallons: \$	<u>0</u>	/mo

**Sewer**

Existing	5,000 gallons: \$	<u>N/A</u>	/mo	Proposed	5,000 gallons: \$	<u>N/A</u>	/mo
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Entire system of Northtown Acres Water Supply, including Northtown Acres and North Petty Chapel

Subdivision(s) or System(s) Affected by Rate Change

18770 F.M. 709 N.

Dawson

Texas

76639

Company Address

City

State

Zip

254-578-1622

Company Phone Number

\$129,630

\$0

N/A

Water Annual Revenue Increase

Water Pass-Through Annual Revenue Increase

Sewer Annual Revenue Increase

February 1, 2021

April 6, 2020

Date Current Rate Change Notice Delivered

Date of Last Rate Change