



Control Number: 49189



Item Number: 18

Addendum StartPage: 0

DOCKET NO. 49189

**APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF
AUSTIN FOR AUTHORITY TO
CHANGE THE WATER AND
WASTEWATER RATES FOR NORTH
AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY
DISTRICT NO. 1, NORTHTOWN
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT,
TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL
AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO.
10, AND WELLS BRANCH
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT IN
WILLIAMSON AND TRAVIS
COUNTIES**

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF TEXAS

2019 JUN 10 AM 10:41
FILED
FILING CLERK

**COMMISSION STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION ON
ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND REQUEST FOR REFERRAL**

COMES NOW the Commission Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Supplemental Recommendation on Administrative Completeness and Request for Referral. Staff recommends that the application be deemed administratively complete and that the docket be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings. In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On April 15, 2019, the City of Austin dba Austin Water file an application for authority to change wholesale water and wastewater rates. This application is filed in accordance with Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.044(b), which states that once the Commission fixes the rates to be charged by a municipality under TWC § 13.044, those rates may not increase without the approval of the Commission.

On May 17, 2019, Order No. 2 was issued establishing a deadline of June 10, 2019 for Staff to file a supplemental recommendation on administrative completeness and a proposed procedural schedule, if appropriate. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

Staff has reviewed the application and supplemental material filed on May 29, 2019 and recommends that it be found administratively complete.

III. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends that the application be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings for the development of an evidentiary record. Staff is therefore not proposing a procedural schedule at this time.

IV. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully recommends that the application be found administratively complete and that this docket be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Dated: June 10, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
LEGAL DIVISION**

Margaret Uhlig Pemberton
Division Director

Karen S. Hubbard
Managing Attorney



Alexander Petak
State Bar No. 24088216
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, Texas 78711-3326
(512) 936-7377
(512) 936-7268 (facsimile)
Alexander.Petak@puc.texas.gov

DOCKET NO. 49189

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on June 10, 2019, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



Alexander Petak