

Control Number: 49272



Item Number: 10

Addendum StartPage: 0



307 St. Lawrence Gonzales, TX 78629 Phone: 830.672.7546 www.swengineers.com TPBE No. F-1909

RECEIVED

2019 JUL -8 AM 9: 49 PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION FILING CLERK

June 27, 2019

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

RE: Yancey Water Supply Corporation Application to Obtain or Amend a Water or Sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) SWE Project No. 0339-023-18 Docket No. 49272 Response to PUC's First Request for Information

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the following for the referenced CCN Amendment:

Staff 1-1:

Provide a detailed map(s) identifying the location of all of the following items:

a) Information regarding potential customers requesting service within any of the requested area and explain their need for service;

It is believed that the maps provided in the original application illustrate the potential customers as all of the properties within the proposed boundary. Many of these properties are larger ranches and not all are inhabited or in the need of water service at this time. There are no new requests within the requested area at this time; rather, the purpose of this CCN amendment is to change from a line CCN to a boundary CCN to avoid having to amend the line CCN every time a line is extended and to present a clear boundary of the CCN. The proposed boundary will adjoin neighboring water utility boundaries to fill in majority of the voids and gaps between them. Yancey met with all the neighboring utilities prior to submitting the initial application and everyone is in agreement with the boundary as proposed. All concerns and details amongst utilities were worked out prior to submitting the application. Water utility service is necessary in these proposed areas since individual water wells are not economically feasible for most of the property owners in these areas. The proposed CCN boundary was formed based on the existing Yancey WSC line CCN, adjoining neighboring utility boundaries, roadways so not to bisect any more property than required, the Frio County line and only includes areas that Yancey WSC can serve with its current pressure planes and existing infrastructure.

b) The amount of unserved acreage within the requested area;

No map. The PUC mapping department has already determined that the uncertificated requested area includes approximately 3,772 total acres and 0 current customers. Refer to Notices for Publication and Landowners. Yancey will continue to extend water lines as requests come forth.

c) A plan, with time period, for providing service to the unserved acreage in the requested area;

No map. Question 11c of the original application addresses this. This is the case of an existing water utility amending its current line CCN to include areas adjacent to its existing CCN that are not within any other utility's service area. There are no planned facility upgrades at this time and will only be required as growth and requests come forth; otherwise it would be pointless. It is unknown what improvements will be required until the requests are made, and at that time, the necessary upgrades will be made. Majority of these areas are large ranchland that request minimal meters, not dense developments that require massive upgrades. However, should a development occur, the necessary upgrades would be analyzed and made at that time.

Staff 1-2:

Provide a detailed map, separate from that requested in Staff 1-1, identifying the location of the proposed or future water facility improvements for production, transmission, distribution, and treatment within the boundaries of the requested area.

Note: Facilities should be identified on subdivision plats, engineering planning maps, or detailed maps using color coding to distinguish the different types of facilities and boundaries.

A map was provided for Question 27 of the original application, which shows <u>existing</u> water infrastructure and how it relates to the new boundary. However, there are no known proposed or future water facility improvements at this time because there has not been a request for water in the requested area beyond the current line CCN, but when that occurs, we will analyze and make those necessary upgrades. Typical growth in the rural areas only require line extensions be made as the existing plant facilities have sufficient capacity to serve the random, individual requests. Ground elevations were analyzed when creating the boundary to ensure the existing facilities could serve the bounded area at their current pressures. Most of the bounded area is already served by the same facilities through the line CCN.

Staff 1-3:

Provide a copy of each map that Yancey WSC used to respond to Staff 1-1 and Staff 1-2 according to the following:

- a) Hard copy, full-sized, and rendered to scale; and
- b) Electronically filed in an Adobe PDF file format on the Public Utility Commission of Texas Interchange.

No maps were applicable or necessary to answer these questions. Please feel free to redraw the boundary to your satisfaction; however, we do not see the benefit of that since the neighboring utilities have no desire to expand beyond where the boundary is currently shown since we met with each of them and landowners have the ability to opt out. Also keep in mind that Yancey is funding this process, where if you feel the boundary needs to be trimmed, any individual requests beyond the new boundary will force those individuals to pay for costly CCN amendments if they desire Yancey service. With the capacities available in their water plants and water line infrastructure in place, it is believed that Yancey WSC is most capable of serving all properties within the CCN boundary that has been proposed.

Please call me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

Neal R. Goedrich, P.E.

ENCL.

cc: Yancey WSC – Temple "Scooter" Mangold, General Manager