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**APPLICATION OF THE RIDGE AT  
FRIO RIVER WATER COMPANY LLC  
FOR A PRICE INDEX RATE  
ADJUSTMENT**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**OF TEXAS**

**COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE**

**COMES NOW** the Commission Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this recommendation. Staff recommends that the notice provided in this matter be found sufficient. In support thereof, Staff would show the following:

**I. BACKGROUND**

On March 14, 2019, The Ridge at Frio River Water Company LLC (The Ridge) filed an application for a price index rate adjustment under Tex. Water Code § 13.1872 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) § 24.49.

On April 17, 2019, Order No. 2 was issued, finding the application administratively complete. On April 26, 2019, Staff made a recommendation that The Ridge's application be approved. On July 2, 2019, Order No. 4 required Staff to comment on the sufficiency of notice by August 7, 2019. This pleading, therefore, is timely filed.

**II. NOTICE**

Under 16 TAC § 24.49(e), The Ridge is required to issue notice at least 30 days before the effective date of rate increase. That notice was to be provided by mail, or by electronic mail, if the ratepayer has agreed to receive communications electronically, with the changed effective date and provide each ratepayer with the proposed rate adjustment. Order No. 4 gave The Ridge of July 24, 2019, to file proof of notice. On July 2, 2019, The Ridge filed proof of notice, asserting that it had notified all customers of the price rate adjustment by mail as of June 29, 2019.

Staff has reviewed The Ridge's proof of notice and finds that it complies with the requirements of 16 TAC § 24.49(e). The mailed notice provides the proposed rate adjustment with the effective date of August 18, 2019. As such, Staff recommends that the notice provided be found sufficient.

### **III. CONCLUSION**

Staff respectfully submits this response to Order No. 4 and recommends that the notice provided be found sufficient in this matter.

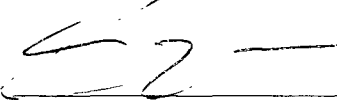
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Respectfully Submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on this the 19<sup>th</sup> of July, 2019 in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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