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APPLICATION OF QUADVEST, L.P. TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AND TO DECERTIFY PORTIONS OF AQUA TEXAS INC.'S SERVICE AREAS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY



MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME & MOTION TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC SERVICE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff), representing the public interest, and files this Motion for Extension of Time and would show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On May 17, 2019, Quadvest, L.P. (Quadvest), filed an application to amend water certificates of convenience and necessity (CCN) No. 11612 and sewer CCN number 20952, and to decertify portions of Aqua Texas Inc.'s service area in Montgomery County pursuant to Texas Water Code Ann. (TWC) §§ 13.242 to 13.250 and the 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §§ 24.225 to 24.237. The requested service area consists of approximately 208 acres with 852 current connections. On January 30, 2020, the Administrative Law Judge issued Order No. 8, establishing March 18, 2020 as the deadline for Staff to file a final recommendation on the application.

II. MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.4(b), Staff may request that the time allowed for the filing of any documents be extended for good cause. Staff has attempted to reach out to Aqua Texas but has still not yet received their filed consent form. Therefore, Staff requests an extension to file its final recommendation on the application until April 8, 2020.

III. MOTION TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC SERVICE

Pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.74(c), the presiding officer may require service by email on motion of a party. On March 16, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Suspending Rules in Docket No. 50664, Issues Related to the State Disaster for the Coronavirus Disease 2019. The Order stated in relevant part: "all parties must file any pleading or document with the Commission solely through the Interchange on the Commission's website

and provide notice, by email, to all other parties that the pleading or document has been filed with the Commission, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer."¹ Accordingly, Staff requests that the Commission ALJ issue an order requiring service by electronic mail in this docket. Staff further requests that the Order direct any party to this proceeding who has not previously provided an email address to file a notice informing the parties of the email address to be used for service.

IV. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order consistent with the above.

¹ Issues Related to the State of Disaster for the Coronavirus Disease 2019, Docket No. 50664, Order Suspending Rules (March 16, 2020).

Date: March 18, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on March 18, 2020, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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