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APPLICATION OF TIMBERCREST § PUBLIC UTIL PARTNERS LLC FOR AUTHORITY TO §

CHANGE RATES §

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## ORDER NO. 9 FINDING NOTICE SUFFICIENT AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This Order addresses the application of Timbercrest Partners LLC for authority to change its retail water and sewer rates. On December 4, 2020, Commission Staff filed its supplemental recommendation on notice sufficiency.

On November 10, 2020, Timbercrest filed supplemental notice and the notice now includes the actual number of ratepayers that equal 10% of the affected customers. As such, Commission Staff recommends that the ratepayers received adequate notice of the number of protests that must be received in order for this docket to be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings for a hearing on the merits. Further, Timbercrest mailed notice using the current Commission-approved notice form, titled "Class B and C Utility Notice of Proposed Rate Change." In addition, Timbercrest listed the same date, November 3, 2020, as the date notice was delivered on both the supplemental notice and the affidavit of Tammy R. Shea, filed with Timbercrest's supplemental notice. The supplemental notice also now includes reconciled amounts for the annual revenue increase for both water and sewer. Lastly, Timbercrest's new revised effective date, December 8, 2020, is at least 35 days after the date that the new notice was provided to ratepayers on November 3, 2020.

The administrative law judge finds the notice sufficient.

The following procedural schedule applies as follows:

Event	Date
Proposed effective date of rate change	December 8, 2020
Deadline to intervene, comment, or request a hearing (90 days from the effective date of December 8, 2020)	March 8, 2021
Deadline for Commission Staff to request a hearing or file a recommendation on final disposition	March 15, 2021

Deadline for applicant to respond to comments and Commission Staff's recommendation on final disposition or request for hearing; if no disputed issues exist, deadline for parties to file a joint motion to admit evidence and proposed notice of approval	March 22, 2021
Deadline for the Commission to set the matter for a hearing on its own motion (120 <sup>th</sup> day after the effective date) <sup>1</sup>	April 7, 2021

Signed at Austin, Texas the 4 day of December 2020.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

KATIE MOORE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.35(c)(1).