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APPLICATION OF COUNTY LINE	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT TO	§	
OBTAIN A SEWER CERTIFICATE OF	§	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN	§	OF TEXAS
HAYS AND CALDWELL COUNTY		

COMMISSION STAFF'S EXCEPTION TO THE PROPOSED ORDER

The Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) has reviewed the Proposed Order and memorandum filed on August 31, 2021, and files this Exception to the Proposed Order. The memorandum established a deadline of September 15, 2021 for exceptions or corrections to the Proposed Order. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. <u>EXCEPTION</u>

In the Proposed Order, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) included Ordering Paragraph No. 6, which reads as follows:

"County Line SUD must provide notice to the Commission once billing for sewer service begins in Compliance Filing of County Line SUD Regarding Billing Sewer Service in Docket No. 50324, Docket No. 52486, as required by 16 TAC § 24.25(b)(1)(B)(iv)."

Staff recommends that this language be removed from the Proposed Order. 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.25(b)(1)(B) provides:

"If a person applying for a CCN is not currently a retail public utility and would be under the original rate jurisdiction of the commission if the CCN application were approved, the person must file a proposed tariff with the commission."

As a special utility district, County Line Special Utility District is not subject to the Commission's original rate jurisdiction. Therefore, 16 TAC § 24.25(b)(1)(B) and its subsections are inapplicable.

Dated: September 15, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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DOCKET NO. 50324 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 September 15, 2021, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Phillip Lehmann Phillip Lehmann