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PETITION OF STERLING DEASON	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
O'DONNELL AND DARWIN DEASON,	§	
CO-TRUSTEES OF THE STERLING	§	OF TEXAS
DEASON O'DONNELL DD 2012 TRUST	§	
UNDER AGREEMENT OF THE DD	§	
2014-B GRANTOR RETAINED	§	
ANNUITY TRUST TO AMEND	§	
MARILEE SPECIAL UTILITY	§	
DISTRICT'S CERTIFICATE OF	§	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN	§	
COLLIN COUNTY BY EXPEDITED	§	
RELEASE	§	

ORDER NO. 14 DENYING COMMISSION STAFF'S MOTION TO AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

In an Order on Rehearing filed on January 14, 2022, the Commission granted, in this docket, the petition for streamlined expedited release. The Order on Rehearing specifies, in Ordering Paragraph 7, that the compensation phase commenced with the issuance of the Order on Rehearing in accordance with the schedule adopted in Order No. 12. When, on January 14, 2021, the Order on Rehearing was filed on the Commission's interchange, the map and certificate were inadvertently omitted. Therefore, on January 27, 2022, the Commission's Office of Policy and Docket Management (OPDM) filed a duplicate copy of the January 14, 2022 Order on Rehearing with the map and certificate attached.

By motion filed February 3, 2022, Commission Staff asks for a revised schedule in which the compensation phase of this case would commence on January 27, 2022. Commission Staff argues that, in effect, the Commission's final order approving expedited release was not issued until January 27, 2022.

The motion is denied. Order No. 12 and Texas Water Code § 13.2541(i) both plainly state that the various deadlines in the compensation phase run from the date "the Commission approves" expedited release. Similarly, the relevant Commission rule, 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.245(i), states that the various deadlines in the compensation phase run from the date "the Commission grants streamlined expedited release." In this case, the Commission approved expedited release on January 14, 2022, the date the Commissioners signed the Order on Rehearing.

The Commission took no action in this case on January 27, 2022. Rather, on that date, OPDM merely corrected a clerical error that occurred during the filing of the Order on Rehearing.

For this reason, Commission Staff's motion is denied. The various deadlines for the compensation phase that are specified in Order No. 12 run from January 14, 2022.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 7th day of February 2022.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

HUNDER BURKHALTER

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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