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MONTGOMERT COUNTY	APPLICATION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 126 AND CITY OF CONROE FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY	***	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION G CLERK OF TEXAS
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# ORDER NO. 1 REQUIRING COMMENTS ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND PROPOSED NOTICE, AND ADDRESSING OTHER PROCEDURAL MATTERS

This Order addresses the March 13, 2020 application of Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 126 and the City of Conroe.

#### I. Application

On March 13, 2020, Montgomery County MUD and the City of Conroe filed an application for approval of the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Montgomery County. Montgomery County MUD seeks approval of the transfer of all of its water and sewer service areas held under water certificate of convenience and necessity number (CCN) 13258 and sewer CCN number 21104 to the City of Conroe's water CCN number 10339 and sewer CCN number 20135. The requested transfer includes 174 acres and 568 connections.

# II. Requiring Comments on the Administrative Completeness of the Application and Proposed Notice

On or before April 13, 2020, Commission Staff must file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and proposed notice. By April 13, 2020, the applicants and Commission Staff must file a recommendation regarding how to proceed with the application and propose a procedural schedule.

#### III. Discovery

Discovery may proceed; however, objections to requests for information (RFIs) must be filed and served within 10 days of receiving the RFI. Objections must include a statement that negotiations were conducted diligently and in good faith. If the parties are unable to resolve a discovery dispute, a motion to compel a response to an RFI must be filed and served within five

working days of receipt of an objection. The motion to compel must specify the grounds for the motion.

## IV. Filings

Unless otherwise specified, an original and ten copies of documents relating to this proceeding must be filed with the Commission's filing clerk in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.71. A copy of each document filed with the Commission must also be served on all parties as required by 16 TAC § 22.74. Filings can be accessed on the PUC Interchange webpage at https://interchange.puc.texas.gov.

All parties are required to provide their current addresses and telephone and fax numbers, if available, to all other parties and the Commission by filing and serving all parties with such information. Each party must provide the Commission and all parties with updated addresses, telephone, and fax information, if such information changes. The telephone and fax numbers will be placed on the service list for this proceeding. Parties are responsible for updating their own service lists to reflect changed information and the addition of any other parties.

## V. Ex Parte Communications

Ex parte communications with the administrative law judge (ALJ) are prohibited under 16 TAC § 22.3(b)(2). Parties must communicate with the ALJ only through written documents filed with the Commission's filing clerk and served on all parties. Questions concerning this Order, or any other order, must be submitted in writing, filed with the Commission, and served on all parties of record.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 18th day of March 2020.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS