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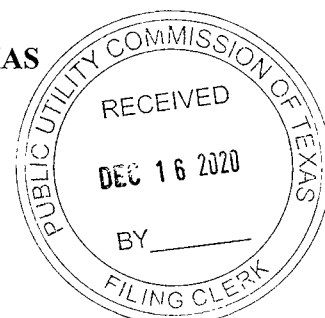
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**APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF
RICHLAND FOR A WATER
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE
AND NECESSITY AND FOR DUAL
CERTIFICATION WITH CORBET
WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND
PLEASANT GROVE WATER SUPPLY
CORPORATION IN NAVARRO
COUNTY**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**



**COMMISSION STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION
ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE**

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Supplemental Recommendation on Sufficiency of Notice. In support, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On April 27, 2020, the City of Richland (Richland) filed an application to obtain a water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) and for dual certification with Corbet Water Supply Corporation (Corbet WSC), CCN No. 12278, and Pleasant Grove Water Supply Corporation (Pleasant Grove WSC), CCN No. 10756, in Navarro County, Texas. Richland filed supplemental information on May 5, 15, and 28, 2020; June 24, 25, and 26, 2020; and July 2 and 22, 2020.

On November 23, 2020, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 6, which established a deadline of December 17, 2020 for Staff to file a supplemental recommendation on sufficiency of notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

On December 4, 2020, Richland filed a letter stating that, on October 30, 2020, it inadvertently filed an incorrect map with its proof of notice, rather than the map that was actually included with the notice sent to landowners, neighboring utilities, and other affected persons on September 28, 2020. In the filing submitted on December 4, 2020, Richland also included the map that was, in fact, issued as part of its notice, which clearly indicates the portions of Richland's

requested CCN area that would be dually certificated with Corbet WSC and Pleasant Grove WSC. This was the only deficiency identified by Staff in its supplemental recommendation on sufficiency of notice filed on November 11, 2020. Staff therefore recommends that Richland's notice be found sufficient under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.235.

III. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Based on its recommendation that Richland's notice be found sufficient, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Notice completed	October 10, 2020
Deadline for intervention	November 9, 2020 ¹
Deadline for Staff to provide final maps, certificates, and tariffs (if applicable), to Richland for review and consent	January 21, 2021
Deadline for Richland to file signed consent forms with the Commission	February 4, 2021
If no hearing is requested, deadline for Staff to file a final recommendation on the application	February 11, 2021
If no hearing is requested, deadline for parties to file joint proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law	February 18, 2021

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, Staff respectfully requests that the ALJ issue an order finding notice sufficient and adopting the proposed procedural schedule.

¹ Under 16 TAC § 24.235(a)(3), the intervention deadline 30 days after the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later. Notice was mailed on September 28, 2020, and published on October 3 and October 10, 2020. Therefore, 30 days after October 10, 2020 is November 9, 2020.

Dated: December 16, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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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 on December 16, 2020 in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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