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COMPLAINT OF SHARWAT QUAZI
AGAINST CHELFORD CITY
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS

COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 3

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Response to Order No. 3. In support, Staff shows the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On June 3, 2020, Sharwat Quazi (Quazi) filed a complaint against Chelford City Municipal Utility District (Chelford City MUD) alleging that Chelford City MUD improperly disconnected Quazi's water service without notice.

On December 3, 2020, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 3, which established a deadline of January 8, 2021 for Staff to file a statement addressing: (1) whether Chelford City MUD holds a certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN); (2) whether CCN/Regnum numbers P0510 and P0092 are in effect; (3) whether those numbers constitute CCNs; and (4) if those numbers do constitute CCNs, whether either includes the area where Mr. Quazi's land is located. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. STAFF'S RESPONSE

Staff reiterates the assertion made in its Statement of Position, filed on July 6, 2020, that Chelford City MUD does not hold a CCN. While the Commission's database does list P0510 and P0092 as CCN/Regnum numbers assigned to Chelford City MUD, those numbers are not CCN numbers. A CCN number begins with either a "1" or a "2." A registration that begins with a "P" is assigned to a retail public utility like Chelford City MUD to indicate that it is a political subdivision that does not hold a CCN.¹ Such a designation allows Staff to keep track of those entities that are providing water or sewer service but do not hold a CCN. Because registration

¹ See, e.g., P0061 (Bandera County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1); P1552 (City of Houston); P1178 (Stonewall Water Control Improvement District).

numbers P0510 and P0092 do not indicate that Chelford City MUD holds a CCN, Staff does not reach the question of whether either includes the area where Mr. Quazi's land is located.

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully reaffirms its recommendation that this docket be dismissed under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.181(d)(1) for lack of jurisdiction.

Dated: January 8, 2021

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 January 8, 2021 in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules filed in Project No. 50664.

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