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COMMISSION STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND NOTICE

On December 31, 2020, RJR Water Company, Inc. (RJR Water) filed an application for a Class C rate change under Texas Water Code §§ 13.1871 and 13.1872(c)(2). RJR Water holds water certificate of convenience and necessity number 12139. On February 3, 2021, the administrative law judge filed Order No. 2, requiring the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff) to file a supplemental recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application and a recommendation on notice by April 1, 2021. This pleading, therefore, is timely filed.

I. SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

In the intervening time since Order No. 2, RJR Water has not filed any information to address the deficiencies identified by Staff in its recommendation on administrative completeness and notice, dated February 1, 2021. On February 8, 2021, Staff received a phone call from Ms. Robbie Evans, owner of RJR Water, stating that she wished to withdraw the application. On February 17, 2021, Staff received an email from Ms. Evans stating "[p]lease accept my withdrawal of the Dockett No. 514[9]0 for a Class C Rate/Tariff to raise the rate for RJR Water Co, Inc." Staff responded to both the call and the email with directions as to how to file such a motion to withdraw through the Commission's Interchange. However, Staff has not heard anything further from Ms. Evans or any other representative of RJR Water.

Given this correspondence, Staff envisions two potential courses of action. First, under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.181(d)(7), Staff recommends that it is appropriate to dismiss this application, as RJR Water has failed to amend the application as described in Order No. 2 and has twice stated a desire to withdraw the application off the record. Alternatively, Staff recommends that RJR Water be given another opportunity to amend its application by May 3,

2021, with Staff's second supplemental recommendation on administrative completeness due to be filed by June 1, 2021.

II. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order consistent with the foregoing supplemental recommendation.

Dated: March 31, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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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 March 31, 2021, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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