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Public Utility Commission of Texas

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RECOMMENDATION

Registration Request of Parkland at West Oaks Apartments to Change from Submetered to Allocated Billing pursuant to Texas Water Code, Subchapter M, Sec. 13.502(e)(1) and (2)

On December 10, 2019, Parkland at West Oaks Apartments, Registration No. S6340, filed a request to change from Submetered to Allocated billing pursuant to Texas Water Code, Subchapter M, Sec. 13.502(e)(1) and (2). The property is registered as S6340.

Based on a review of the information provided, it appears the request meets the requirements of Texas Water Code, Subchapter M, Sec. 13.502(e)(1) and (2), and should be granted.

Please reference Subchapter H, §24.279(c) of the PUC's rules which state the following: Tenant agreement to billing method changes. An owner shall not change the method by which a tenant is billed unless the tenant has agreed to the change by signing a lease or other written agreement. The owner shall provide notice of the proposed change at least 35 days prior to implementing the new method.

Also, Subchapter M, Sec. 13.5031(1) of the Texas Water Code requires that the rental agreement must contain a clear written description of the method of calculation of the allocation of nonsubmetered master metered utilities for the manufactured home rental community, apartment house, or multiple use facility.

Sincerely,

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