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APPLICATION OF MONARCH	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITIES I L.P. TO AMEND ITS	§	
CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE	§	OF TEXAS
AND NECESSITY IN HARRIS AND	§	
LIBERTY COUNTIES	§	

COMMISSION STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

On March 16, 2021, Monarch Utilities I L.P. (Monarch) filed an application to amend its certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) in Harris and Liberty Counties, Texas. Monarch holds water CCN No. 12893 and sewer CCN No. 20899. The requested service area consists of 121 acres and zero existing connections. Monarch filed supplemental information on May 13, 2021 and July 28, 2021.

On June 11, 2021, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 3, establishing a deadline of August 17, 2021 for the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff) to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

Staff has reviewed Monarch’s proof of notice and recommends that it be found sufficient. Monarch filed proof of completed notice on July 28, 2020. Monarch also filed signed affidavits attesting that a copy of the notice provided by Staff was sent to the neighboring utilities and other affected parties described in Staff’s recommendation on administrative completeness, and that the notice that was published in a newspaper of general circulation in Harris and Liberty Counties for two consecutive weeks. In addition, Monarch included an example of the actual notice that was published in the newspaper. Therefore, Staff recommends that the notice be found sufficient.

II. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff proposes the following procedural schedule for the continued processing of this docket:

Event	Date
Notice completed	July 16, 2021
Deadline for intervention	August 15, 2021 ¹
Deadline for Staff to provide final maps, certificates, and tariffs (if applicable), to Monarch for review and consent	September 29, 2021
Deadline for Monarch to file signed consent forms with the Commission	October 13, 2021
If no hearing is requested, deadline for Staff to file a final recommendation on the Application	October 27, 2021
If no hearing is requested, deadline for parties to file joint proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law	November 10, 2021

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Staff respectfully requests that Monarch's notice be found sufficient.

¹ Under 16 TAC § 24.235(a)(3), the intervention deadline is 30 days after the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later. Notice was mailed on July 14, 2021 and published on July 9, 2021 and July 16, 2021. Therefore, 30 days after July 16, 2021 is June 29, 2020.

Dated: August 17, 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 via electronic mail on August 17, 2021, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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