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APPLICATION OF T&W WATER	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SERVICE COMPANY AND BELLE	§	
OAKS WATER AND SEWER CO., INC.	§	OF TEXAS
FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER	§	
OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

On April 9, 2021, T&W Water Service Company (T&W) and Belle Oaks Water and Sewer Co., Inc. (Belle Oaks) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for approval of the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Jefferson County. Specifically, T&W seeks approval to acquire facilities and to transfer water service area held under Belle Oaks' certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 13067 and to acquire facilities and to transfer sewer service area held under Belle Oaks' CCN No. 20965. Applicants also seek the amendment of T&W's water CCN number 12892, the cancellation of Belle Oaks' water and sewer CCN numbers, and the issuance of a new sewer CCN number to T&W. The requested water service area includes approximately 450 acres and the requested sewer service area includes approximately 445 acres. Applicants filed supplemental information on April 30, June 9, and September 14 and 15, 2021.

On August 31, 2021, the administrative law judge filed Order No. 4, establishing a deadline of October 8, 2021 for the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff) to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and CCN amendment. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

Under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.4(b), Staff may request that the time allowed for filing any documents be extended for good cause. Staff requests this extension so that it may complete its review of the application and supplemental materials provided. Staff therefore requests that the deadline to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and CCN amendment be extended to October 15, 2021 and that the remaining deadlines in the procedural schedule be adjusted as follows:

Event	Date
Deadline for parties to file a response to Staff's recommendation on approval of the sale	October 29, 2021
Deadline for parties to file a joint motion to admit evidence and proposed order approving sale and allowing transaction to proceed	November 12, 2021
120-day deadline for the Commission to approve the sale or require a hearing	December 9, 2021

II. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff respectfully requests that the deadline to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and CCN amendment be extended to October 15, 2021.

Dated: October 6, 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 October 6, 2021, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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