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APPLICATION OF LEWIS	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
STONEGATE, L.P. (FKA BLESSING-	§	
STONEGATE, L.P.) DBA BLESSING	§	OF TEXAS
MOBILE HOME PARK FOR A CLASS D	§	
RATE ADJUSTMENT	8	

NOTICE OF APPROVAL

This Notice of Approval addresses the application of Lewis Stonegate, L.P. (fka Blessing Stonegate, L.P.) dba Blessing Mobile Home Park, a class D utility, for an annual rate adjustment under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.1872. The Commission increases Blessing's monthly water and sewer base rates and gallonage rates by 5.0%, effective September 15, 2021.

I. Findings of Fact

The Commission makes the following findings of fact.

Applicant

- 1. Lewis Stonegate is a Texas limited partnership registered with the Texas secretary of state under filing number 12125910.
- 2. Lewis Stonegate has an assumed name certificate in the name of "Blessing Mobile Home Park" as of August 6, 2021.
- 3. Blessing operates and maintains facilities for providing water and sewer services under certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 11986 and 20653 in Williamson County and serves 246 active water and sewer connections.
- 4. Blessing operates a public water system registered with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under identification number 2460031.

Application

- 5. On June 30, 2021, Blessing filed an application for a class D annual rate adjustment of 5.0%.
- 6. Blessing proposed an effective date of September 15, 2021.
- 7. Blessing filed a supplement to the application on July 23, 2021.

- 8. This application is Blessing's first requested class D rate adjustment between base rate proceedings.
- 9. In Order No. 4 filed on August 12, 2021, the administrative law judge found the application, as supplemented, administratively complete and accepted for filing.

Rate Adjustment

- 10. Blessing requested a 5.0% annual rate adjustment to its monthly water and sewer base rates and gallonage rates.
- 11. Blessing's current and proposed minimum monthly water base rates by meter size and gallonage charges are as follows:

Meter Size	Current Minimum	Proposed Minimum
(includes 1,500 gallons)	Monthly Charge	Monthly Charge
5/8"	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.70
3/4"	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.70
1"	\$ 23.38	\$ 24.55
1½"	\$ 46.62	\$ 48.95
2"	\$ 74.62	\$ 78.35
3"	\$140.00	\$147.00
4"	\$233.38	\$245.05
Gallonage Charge	Previous Gallonage	Proposed Gallonage
(for each additional 1,000	Charge	Charge
gallons over the minimum)		
	\$0.64	\$0.67

12. Blessing's current and proposed minimum monthly sewer base rates by meter size and gallonage charges are as follows:

Meter Size	Current Minimum	Proposed Minimum
(includes 1,500 gallons)	Monthly Charge	Monthly Charge
5/8"	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.90
3/4"	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.90
1"	\$ 30.06	\$ 31.56
11/2"	\$ 59.94	\$ 62.94
2"	\$ 95.94	\$100.74
3"	\$180.00	\$189.00
4"	\$300.06	\$315.06
Gallonage Charge	Previous Gallonage	Proposed Gallonage
(for each additional 1,000	Charge	Charge
gallons over the minimum)		
	\$0.55	\$0.58

Tariff

- 13. On July 30, 2021, Commission Staff filed the proposed water and sewer tariffs as an attachment to its recommendation on administrative completeness and final disposition.
- 14. On August 11, 2021, Commission Staff filed revised proposed water and sewer tariffs to reflect the change in Blessing's name and assumed name.

II. Conclusions of Law

The Commission makes the following conclusions of law.

- 1. The Commission has authority over the application under TWC § 13.1872.
- 2. Blessing is a utility as defined in TWC § 13.002(23) and is a class D utility under TWC § 13.002(4-d).
- 3. Under TWC § 13.1872(f), Blessing may adjust its rates not more than once each year and not more than four times between rate proceedings under TWC § 13.1871.
- 4. A 5.0% increase in Blessing's monthly water and sewer base and water and sewer gallonage rates complies with TWC § 13.1872(e)(2).

- 5. The Commission processed the application in accordance with the requirements of the TWC, the Administrative Procedure Act, ¹ and Commission rules.
- 6. Blessing demonstrated that it has met the requirements of TWC § 13.1872 for approval of the rate adjustments.
- 7. Under TWC § 13.1872(c)(1), the applicant must provide notice 30 days before the effective date of the proposed change.
- 8. Under 16 TAC § 24.49(e), the applicant must provide notice after it receives a written order by the Commission approving or modifying the application.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

In accordance with these findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Commission issues the following orders.

- 1. The Commission approves Blessing's application for a class D annual rate adjustment, effective September 15, 2021.
- 2. The Commission adjusts Blessing's minimum monthly water base rates by meter size and gallonage charge, effective September 15, 2021, as follows:

Meter Size	Approved Water Base
(includes 1,500 gallons)	Rate
5/8"	\$ 14.70
3/4"	\$ 14.70
1"	\$ 24.55
11/2"	\$ 48.95
2"	\$ 78.35
3"	\$147.00
4"	\$245.05
Gallonage Charge	Approved Gallonage
(for each additional 1,000	Charge
gallons over the minimum)	
	\$0.67

¹ Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.001-.903.

3. The Commission adjusts Blessing's minimum monthly sewer base rates by meter size and gallonage charge, effective September 15, 2021, as follows:

Meter Size	Approved Sewer Base
(includes 1,500 gallons)	Rate
5/8"	\$ 18.90
3/4"	\$ 18.90
1"	\$ 31.56
11/2"	\$ 62.94
2"	\$100.74
3"	\$189.00
4"	\$315.06
Gallonage Charge	Proposed Gallonage
(for each additional 1,000	Charge
gallons over the minimum)	
	\$0.58

- 4. The Commission approves the water and sewer tariffs attached to Commission Staff's August 11, 2021 recommendation on administrative completeness and final disposition.
- 5. Within ten days of the date of this Notice of Approval, Commission Staff must file clean copies of the water and sewer tariffs, with the approved effective date, with Central Records to be marked *Approved* and kept in the Commission tariff book.
- 6. Blessing must, by August 15, 2021, provide to each ratepayer by mail, or by electronic mail if the ratepayer has agreed to receive communications electronically, notice of the rate adjustments with the effective date of September 15, 2021, using the form attached to Blessing's June 30, 2021 application as revised by Blessings July 23, 2021 filing.
- 7. By September 22, 2021, Blessing must file proof that it has provided notice as specified above.
- 8. The Commission denies all other motions and any other requests for general or specific relief that have not been expressly granted.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 12 day of August 2021.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

KATIE MOORE MARX ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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