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PETITION OF ROSE HILL SPECIAL	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITY DISTRICT FOR CEASE AND	§	
DESIST ORDER AGAINST THE CITY	§	OF TEXAS
OF TERRELL FOR UNAUTHORIZED	§	
WATER SERVICE	§	

JOINT STATUS REPORT AND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF ABATEMENT

COME NOW, the City of Terrell, Texas (City), and Rose Hill Special Utility District (Rose Hill) (each, a Party, and collectively, the Parties), and file this Joint Status Report (Status Report) and Motion for Extension of Abatement (Motion). In support thereof, the Parties would respectfully show as follows:

I. BACKGROUND

On July 9, 2021, Rose Hill filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) a petition for cease and desist order against the City. On August 11, 2021, the Parties filed a Joint Motion to Abate this proceeding so that they might explore the possibility of reaching a mutually agreeable settlement of this matter. On August 12, 2021, the administrative law judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 4 in this proceeding, granting the requested abatement and requiring the Parties to file a status report or other appropriate pleading on or before November 9, 2021. On November 9, 2021, the City filed a Corrected Joint Status Report and Motion for Extension of Abatement. On November 10, 2021, the ALJ issued Order No. 5, granting the requested extension and requiring the Parties to file a status report or other appropriate pleading on or before January 10, 2022. On January 10, 2022, the City filed a Joint Status Report and Motion for Extension of Abatement. On January 11, 2022, the ALJ issued Order No. 6, granting the requested extension and requiring the Parties to file a status report or other appropriate pleading on or before January 24, 2022. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. STATUS REPORT

Since the issuance of Order No. 6, the Parties have continued working to resolve the issues central to this proceeding. Specifically, on January 21, 2022, Rose Hill provided the City with an updated settlement proposal. The City is now coordinating with its consultants to discuss said proposal and prepare an appropriate response thereto.

III. MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF ABATEMENT

The Parties hereby respectfully request a 7-day extension of the abatement of this proceeding, suspending all deadlines and activity in this Docket until Monday, January 31, 2022, to provide them with additional time to assess whether they can settle the issues in this proceeding. As such, the requested extension is not sought for delay but rather for the good cause of allowing the Parties to dedicate their time and resources toward resolving this matter in the manner most efficient for both the Parties and Commission.

Counsel for the City has communicated with counsel for Rose Hill regarding this Joint Status Report and Motion for Extension of Abatement, and such counsel has represented that Rose Hill supports the relief requested herein.

IV. CONCLUSION AND PRAYER

For the reasons set forth above, the Parties respectfully request that the ALJ: (1) accept this Status Report; and (2) grant this Motion and all such other relief to which the Parties may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

The undersigned counsel certifies that she has conferred with counsel for Rose Hill Special
Utility District regarding this Joint Status Report and Motion for Extension of Abatement and that
such counsel agrees to the relief requested herein.

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 January 24, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules issued in Project No. 50664.

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