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APPLICATION OF CREEKWOOD	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
RANCHES WATER SUPPLY	§	
CORPORATION AND EAST MEDINA	§	OF TEXAS
SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT FOR	§	
SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF	§	
FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN MEDINA COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE AND PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On August 24, 2021, East Medina Special Utility District (East Medina SUD) and Creekwood Ranches Water Supply Corporation (Creekwood Ranches WSC) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for approval of the sale and transfer of facilities and certificate rights in Medina County. Specifically, East Medina SUD, Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 10217, seeks approval to acquire facilities and to transfer all of the water service area from Creekwood Ranches WSC under water CCN No. 11897. The requested area includes 161 customer connections and approximately 355 acres, comprised of 355 acres of transferred area from CCN No. 11897. Applicants filed supplemental information on September 3, 2021.

On September 23, 2021, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 2, establishing a deadline of November 4, 2021 for the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on the sufficiency of notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

Applicants filed an Affidavit of Notice to Current Customers, Neighboring Utilities, and Affected Parties on October 11, 2021 indicating that the notice of the application was mailed to the affected parties on October 6, 2021. Applicants filed the affidavit and a copy of the name and address of every person and entity to which notice and provided, the date notice was provided, accompanied by a map in the docket within 30 days of the date of notice.

Staff has reviewed Applicant’s proof of notice and recommends that Applicants provided notice in accordance with Staff’s Revised Recommendation on Administrative Completeness and

Proposed Notice filed on September 23, 2021. Therefore, Staff recommends that Applicants' notice of the application be deemed sufficient.

II. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends that notice be deemed sufficient. Therefore, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Notice complete	October 6, 2021
Deadline for intervention	November 3, 2021 ¹
Deadline for Staff to request a hearing or file a recommendation on the approval of the sale	December 1, 2021
Deadline for parties to file a response to Staff's recommendation on approval of sale	December 15, 2021
120 day deadline for the Commission to approve the sale or require a hearing	February 3, 2021 ²

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the notice be found sufficient and that the proposed procedural schedule be adopted.

¹ Under 16 TAC § 24.239(b), the intervention period shall not be less than thirty (30) days unless good cause is shown. Notice was mailed on October 6, 2021. Therefore, thirty (30) days after October 6, 2021 is November 3, 2021.

² Under 16 TAC § 24.239(a) and (i), the deadline for Commission action is one hundred twenty (120) days after the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later. One hundred and twenty days after October 6, 2021 is February 3, 2021.

Dated: November 4, 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 November 4, 2021, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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