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PETITION OF HC CELINA 414, LLC	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
TO AMEND MARILEE SPECIAL	§	
UTILITY DISTRICT' S CERTIFICATE	§	OF TEXAS
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY	§	
IN COLLIN COUNTY BY EXPEDITED	§	
RELEASE	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS AND NOTICE

On September 1, 2021, HC Celina 414, LLC (HC Celina) filed a petition for streamlined expedited release from Marilee Special Utility District's (Marilee SUD) water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 10150 under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.2541 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.245(h). HC Celina asserts that the land to be released is at least 25 contiguous acres, is not receiving water service, and is located in Collin County, which is a qualifying county. HC Celina filed supplemental information on October 8, 2021 and an amended petition on November 22, 2021.

On October 4, 2021, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 2, establishing a deadline of December 1, 2021 for the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a supplemental recommendation on sufficiency of the petition and notice and proposed procedural schedule. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

Staff has reviewed the petition and, as detailed in the attached memorandum of Pai Liu, Infrastructure Division, recommends that the petition is administratively complete. Staff's recommendation on administrative completeness is not a comment on the merits of the petition.

II. NOTICE SUFFICIENCY

Under 16 TAC § 24.245(h)(3)(f), a landowner seeking streamlined expedited release must provide proof that a copy of the petition has been mailed to the current CCN holder via certified mail on the day that the landowner submits the petition to the Commission. HC Celina stated that it mailed a copy of its petition to the CCN holder, Marilee SUD, by certified mail on the day the

petition was filed with the Commission. Accordingly, Staff recommends that the notice is sufficient.

III. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Under 16 TAC § 24.245(h)(7), there is an expedited deadline of 60 days for approval of the requested release that begins once the ALJ issues an order finding a petition administratively complete. Staff recommends that the petition be found administratively complete. Therefore, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule and requests that the ALJ populate the deadlines accordingly when the ALJ issues that order.

Event	Date	
Deadline for Marilee SUD and intervenors to file a response to the administratively complete petition	20 days from the date of the order finding the petition administratively complete	
Deadline for Staff's recommendation on final disposition	34 days from the date of the order finding the petition administratively complete	
Deadline for petitioner to file a reply to both Marilee SUD's response and Staff's recommendation on final disposition	41 days from the date of the order finding the petition administratively complete	
Sixty-day administrative approval of streamlined expedited release	60 days from the date of the order finding the petition administratively complete	
In the event streamlined expedited release is granted and petitioner and Marilee SUD can		
select an agreed-upon appraiser		
Deadline for petitioner and Marilee SUD to make a filing stating that they have selected an agreed-upon appraiser	Within 10 days after the Commission approves streamlined expedited release	
Deadline for appraiser's report	Within 70 days after the Commission approves streamlined expedited release	
Deadline for Commission's final order determining the amount of monetary compensation, if any, owed by petitioner to Marilee SUD	Within 60 days after appraiser's report	
Deadline for petitioner to pay any compensation due	Within 90 days of the Commission's	
to Marilee SUD	final order on compensation	
In the event streamlined expedited release is granted and petitioner and Marilee SUD are		
unable to select an agreed-upon appraiser		

Deadline for petitioner and Marilee SUD to make a	
filing stating that they have been unable to select an	Within 10 days after the Commission
agreed-upon appraiser and affirming that they will	approves streamlined expedited release ²
pay half of the cost of Commission Staff's appraiser ¹	
Deadline for reports from petitioner's appraiser and	Within 70 days after the Commission
Marilee SUD's appraiser	approves streamlined expedited release
Deadline for Staff's appraiser's report	Within 100 days after the Commission
	approves streamlined expedited release
Deadline for Commission's final order determining	Within 60 days after the Commission
the amount of monetary compensation, if any, owed	receives the final appraisal
by petitioner to Marilee SUD	receives the final applaisal
Deadline for petitioner to pay any compensation due	Within 90 days of the Commission's
to Marilee SUD	final order on compensation

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the petition be found administratively complete, that the notice be found sufficient, and that the proposed procedural schedule be adopted. Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order consistent with these recommendations.

¹ TWC § 13.2541(i).

² It is critical for Staff to know as soon as possible after the Commission grants the petition whether Staff needs to secure the services of a third appraiser. If the petitioner and CCN holder are unable to agree, and fail to make this filing, Staff may need additional time to file its appraiser's report.

Dated: December 1, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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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 December 1, 2021 in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules filed in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Andy Aus
Andy Aus

Public Utility Commission of Texas

Memorandum

TO: Andrew Aus, Attorney

Legal Division

FROM: Pai Liu, Infrastructure Analyst

Infrastructure Division

DATE: December 1, 2021

RE: Docket No. 52497 – *Petition of HC Celina 414, LLC to Amend Marilee*

Special Utility District's Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Collin

County by Expedited Release

On September 1, 2021, HC Celina 414, LLC (HC Celina) filed a petition for streamlined expedited release from Marilee Special Utility District's (Marilee SUD) water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) No. 10150 in Collin County, under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.2541(b) and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.245(h). HC Celina asserts that the land is at least 25 contiguous acres, is not receiving water service, and is located in Collin County, which is a qualifying county.

HC Celina submitted a sworn affidavit attesting that the property was not receiving water service from Marilee SUD and a warranty deed confirming HC Celina's ownership of the tract of land. Based on the mapping review by Tracy Montes, Infrastructure Division, the revised maps submitted on October 8, 2021 (Item 8) and digital mapping data filed on September 1, 2021 (Item 1) are sufficient for determining the location of the tract of land considered for streamlined expedited release is located within Marilee SUD's water CCN.

Based on the mapping review by Ms. Montes it was determined the entire tract of land is approximately 413.88 acres. The portion of the tract considered for release from Marilee SUD (CCN No. 10150) is approximately 406.7 acres. The First Amended Petition filed on November 22 (Item 10) confirmed HC Celina owns the entire tract that includes the portion considered for release.

The petition also includes a statement indicating a copy of the petition was sent via certified mail to Marilee SUD on the date the petition was filed with the Commission.

Based on the mapping review by Ms. Montes and my technical and managerial review of the additional information provided by HC Celina October 8, 2021 and November 22, 2021, I recommend the petition be deemed administratively complete and accepted for filing.