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## **DOCKET NO. 52758**

PETITION OF MCALLEN PUBLIC	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITY APPEALING WHOLESALE	§	
WATER RATES CHARGED BY	§	OF TEXAS
HIDALGO COUNTY WATER	§	
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 3	§	

## ORDER NO. 1 SETTING DEADLINES

This Order address the October 27, 2021 petition of McAllen Public Utility, filed under Texas Water Code § 12.013, appealing the wholesale water rates charged by the Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 3. McAllen requests that the Commission (1) establish interim rates during the pendency of this proceeding; (2) issue an order compelling Hidalgo County Water District No. 3 to continue providing water service to McAllen in accordance with the existing contract; (3) find the rates adversely affect the public interest; (4) establish a reasonable water rate; and (5) order Hidalgo County Water District No. 3 to refund all payments in excess of the reasonable rate fixed by the Commission.

Under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.307(a), the Commission is required to determine, within 30 days of filing, whether the appeal contains all of the information required by the subchapter. For purposes of 16 TAC § 24.307 only, the rule states that the initial review of probable grounds shall be limited to determining whether the appeal meets the requirements of 16 TAC § 24.305.

On or before November 29, 2021,<sup>1</sup> Commission Staff must file a recommendation on whether the appeal meets the requirements of 16 TAC § 24.305.

In accordance with 16 TAC § 22.104(b), the deadline to intervene in this proceeding is December 13, 2021.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 30 days from the application filing date of October 27, 2021, is November 26, 2021, a holiday; therefore, the Commission Staff's recommendation advances to the next day the Commission is open for business, which is Monday, November 29, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 5 days from the application filing date of October 27, 2021, is December 11, 2021, a Saturday; therefore, the deadline to intervene advances to the next day the Commission is open for business, which is Monday, December 13, 2021.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 28th day of October 2021.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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