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APPLICATION OF CONROE RESORT	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
UTILITIES, LLC, UNDINE TEXAS, LLC,	§	OF
AND UNDINE TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL,	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
LLC FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER	§	
OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY	§	

JOINT MOTION FOR REMAND

I. BACKGROUND

On November 8, 2021, Conroe Resort Utilities, LLC (Conroe Resort) and Undine Development, LLC (Undine Development) (together, the "Applicants") filed an application for approval of the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) rights in Montgomery County. On August 25, 2022, the application was amended to replace Undine Development with Undine Texas, LLC and Undine Texas Environmental, LLC (together, "Undine") as the applicants.

II. MOTION FOR REMAND

On September 18, 2023, Conroe Resort and Undine, together with Staff of the Public Utility Commission (Commission Staff); and the Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC) (collectively, the "Parties"), filed a Joint Request for Certification of an issue to the Commission pursuant to the prehearing conference held in this matter on August 25, 2023 and pursuant to SOAH Order No. 2 issued on August 25th.

The Parties sought certification of a single issue, which the Parties considered to be dispositive to the outcome of the matter pending in this hearing. The issue the Parties sought to certify is as follows:

Whether the Commission, as part of the approval of an STM application submitted pursuant to Texas Water Code § 13.3011, can authorize the implementation of a phase of a tariff that is different than the phase of the tariff in place at the time of the submittal of the application.

On November 3, 2023, the Commission determined that, under TWC § 13.3011, it can authorize a person who files an application for sale, transfer, or merger under TWC § 13.301(a) to charge initial rates for service under a phase in an in-force tariff that is different than the phase of the tariff in place on the date the application is filed. The Applicants, OPUC, and Commission Staff previously agreed to implement phased-in rates beginning with Undine's year one rates in the tariff attached to the application.

With the Commission having made a determination on that single dispositive issue and the Parties being in agreement on the issue, the Parties respectfully request that this matter be remanded to the Commission to allow the Parties to enter into a settlement of the matter.

III. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, the Parties respectfully request that this matter be remanded to the Commission to allow Staff to file a revised recommendation.

Dated: November 13, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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