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APPLICATION OF CONROE RESORT	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITIES, LLC AND UNDINE	§	
DEVELOPMENT, LLC FOR SALE,	§	OF TEXAS
TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF	§	
FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR ABATEMENT

On November 8, 2021, Conroe Resort Utilities, LLC (Conroe) and Undine Development, LLC (Undine) (jointly, 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. Applicants seek approval to acquire facilities and to transfer all of Conroe's water and sewer service area under water CCN No. 11942 and sewer CCN No. 20638 to Undine. The application reflects a requested area of 282 acres and 294 water customer connections and 289 sewer customer connections. Applicants filed supplemental information on November 9, 2021.

On April 14, 2022, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) and the Office of Public Utility Counsel (OPUC) jointly filed a request for referral to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for a hearing on the merits.

I. REQUEST FOR ABATEMENT

Commission Staff requests an abatement of this proceeding and that this docket not be referred to SOAH for a hearing on the merits at this time, so that Applicants, Commission Staff, and OPUC (collectively, Parties) may explore possible settlement. Staff and Applicants have already engaged in productive discussions and request this abatement, so they may continue those discussions and include OPUC. Staff is authorized to represent that Applicants and OPUC are in agreement with this request.

II. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Staff respectfully requests that this docket be abated and proposed that the Parties file a status report every 30 days going forward, with the deadline of the first status report being July 1, 2022.

Dated: May 24, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

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

/s/ Ian Groetsch
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