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7/12/2022

Public Utility Commission Central Records Attn: Chris Burch, Director – Customer Protection 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326 Austin, TX 78711-3326

RE: Request for Approval to Change Billing Method at Edgewater S8776

Dear Mr. Burch:

Our company, Conservice LLC, serves as the utility billing provider for Edgewater, upon whose behalf and authorization we send this letter. The purpose of this correspondence is to formally request that the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") approve this property to transition from its registered status as submetered to allocated billing.

We understand that Texas Water Code section § 13.502 permits the owner to switch from submetered to allocated billing upon a showing of good cause and approval by the PUC. For the following reasons, we believe Edgewater meets the good cause requirements outlined in the Code, and we respectfully ask the PUC to approve this request.

Recently, the submeter system has begun to malfunction, requiring that the property incurs the ongoing repair and replacement costs above and beyond normal wear and tear. Given the current state of the submetering system, the property will incur costs of \$4,705.60 to replace current broken equipment, and it is likely that further equipment failure will occur and need to be replaced and upgraded. Attached is the proposal for repair. The property does not anticipate having the capital resources required to make these and future repairs, and respectfully requests that they be allowed to bill tenants through allocative methods.

Should you require and additional information in making your determination please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Bret R. James Legal Counsel – Conservice 750 South Gateway Drive River Heights, UT 84321 435-750-5402 bretjames@conservice.com



Estimate

EST1675

5/9/2022

Conservice Metering Solutions PO Box 4647 Logan UT 84323 United States

Bill To TOTAL

Edgewater 14201 N IH 35 Pflugerville TX 78660 United States

\$4,705.60

Expires

Job

6/23/2022

49698-WO Edgewater

Conservice Rep		Phone	Email		
Skyler Worden (85164)		(435) 419-4956	sworden@conservice.c	<u>iom</u>	
Quantity	Item		Rate	Amount	
1	L000 Submeterii	ng	\$0.00	\$0.00	
1		Cellular Gateway - NextCentury Gateway - NextCentury	\$1,980.00	\$1,980.00	
1	120403 3rd Party 3rd Party Cable -	/ Cable - NextCentury NextCentury	\$63.00	\$63.00	
1	120006 Ethernet Ethernet Cable 25		\$12.60	\$12.60	
1	200401 Monthly Monthly Cellular		\$35.00	\$35.00	
4	transformer (6 f	epeater (RE4) with 120/240 VAC wall t. cord)- NextCentury th 120/240 VAC wall transformer (6 ft. cord)-	\$360.00	\$1,440.00	
1	Labor 1 Labor H First hour of Labo		\$300.00	\$300.00	
5	Labor 2 Labor at	ter 1st hour	\$175.00	\$875.00	
			Subtotal	\$4,705.60	
			Total	\$4,705.60	

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*Tax total will be provided on final sales order.



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Prices for parts, materials and labor are subject to change based on service needs, actual costs and/or warranty agreement. Sales tax will be included on the final invoice if applicable.

The property may be charged a \$45/hr service fee for over-the-phone technicial assistance exceeding 30min.

We will continue to prepare estimated bills for these units. Please be advised that by not authorizing this service you may affect our ability to continue to bill these apartment homes and you may be in noncompliance with certain rules governing submetering in your state.

The Property will be responsible for any damage done to the equipment due to damage resulting from a preexisting condition in existing equipment. Prior to work being done, we request contact information for someone from your Property team and your preferred plumber. While we don't typically see leaks or damage, some older plumbing systems experience stress with any work being done and cracks, break, and other damage can occur when the water is restored after completing a project. If we notice a preexisting condition upon arrival, we will attempt to contact the provided Property contact. If you do not provide us with a contact or we are unable to reach the contact provided, we will perform the work when we arrive. In the event there is damage to the pipes due to age or a preexisting condition, we will reach out to your preferred plumber to request the work be done. Cost of the repair shall be the responsibility of the Property. If the damage was caused directly by the negligence or willful wrongful act of Conservice or its technicians and not due to a preexisting condition, Conservice shall take responsibility for payment of the repairs.

By signing below you are accepting the proposal as set forth above and agree to pay the prices described herein, as well as any applicable sales tax. You acknowledge that you are authorized to sign this proposal on behalf of your company.

Please email Conservice at meters@conservice.com, or FAX back to Fax 435-755-3759. Once received, we will contact you to schedule a service date.

If we do not receive this approved PFR within 30 days, we will assume you do not want this service.

Cancellation Policy: Once work is approved and materials shipped, a technician will be scheduled. Once scheduling is confirmed by the property, Conservice must be notified at least two business days prior to service date via email at meters@conservice.com if the visit needs to be rescheduled. If written cancellation is not received at least two business days in advance, the technician is refused onsite or if tenants are not noticed, the property will be charged a minimum of \$250 for related expenses.

Signature Date Print Name and Title

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Accepted and Approved By:



CY 2022 Registration of Submetered OR Allocated Utility Service \$8776

NOTE: Please **<u>DO NOT</u>** include any person or protected information on this form (ey: tax identification #'s social security #'s etc.)

Control Number: 52942				
Registration No.:				
(this number to be	assigned by the			
PUC after your for	rm is filed)			

this	form (ex: tax id	lentification #'s, social se	ecurity 7	#'s, etc.)					,
PROPERTY OW	NER: Do <u>not</u> e	enter the name of the ov	wner's c	ontract manager, i	managei	ment co	mpany,	or billin	ng company.
Name Lantower Ed	gewater Austin L	P					,		
Mailing Address:	1409 S Lamar S	t. Suite 1005	City	Dallas		State	TX	Zip	75215
Telephone# (AC)	512-518-6154								
E-mail									
NA	ME, ADDRES	S, AND TYPE OF PR	OPER'	IY WHERE UTI	LITY S	ERVIC	E IS PR	.OVIDI	ED
Name Edgewater									_
Mailing Address:	14201 N IH 35		City	Pflugerville		State	TX	Zip	78660
Telephone# (AC)	512-518-6154								
E-mail	c/o legal@co	nservice.com							
ĸ Apartment Com	nplex Co	ondominium	Manufa	ctured Home Re	ntal Co	mmun	ity	Multi	iple-Use Facility
If applicable, descr	ibe the "multi	ple-use facility" here:	:						
		INFORMAT	ION O	N UTILITY SERV	VICE				
Tenants are billed	for 🗶 Wat	er 🗶 Wastewate	r		Subn	netered	<u>OR</u>	X Al	located ★★★
Name of utility pro	oviding water/	wastewater City of	Austin	TX					
Date submetered or allocated billing begins (or began) 07/01/2022 Required									
METHOD USED TO OFFSET CHARGES FOR COMMON AREAS Check one line only.									
Not applicable,	because	Bills are based on th	ne tena	nt's actual subme	etered c	onsum	ption		
		There are <u>neither</u> co	ommor	n areas <u>nor</u> an ins	stalled i	rrigatio	n syste	m	
All common are	eas and the irr	igation system(s) are	metere	d or submetered:					
We deduct the actual utility charges for water and wastewater to these areas then allocate the remaining charges among									
our tenants.									
This property h	as an installed	irrigation system tha	it is <u>no</u> i	separately meter	red or	submet	ered:		
We deduct	percent	(we deduct at least 25	perce	nt) of the utility's	s total c	charges	for wat	er and	wastewater
consumption, then	allocate the r	emaining charges am	ong ou	r tenants.					
This property h	as an installed	irrigation system(s)	that <u>is/</u> a	<u>are</u> separately me	etered o	or subm	etered:		
We deduct the act	ual utility cha	rges associated with t	he irrig	gation system(s),	then de	educt at	least 5	percer	nt of the utility's
		ewater consumption,			ning ch	arges a	mong o	ur tena	nts.
		n installed irrigation	•						
		he retail public utility	y's tota	l charges for wate	er and	wastew	ater co	nsumpt	ion, and then
allocate the remaining charges among our tenants.									
★★★IF UTILIT	Y SERVICES A	ARE ALLOCATED, Y	OU M	UST ALSO COM	PLETE	PAGE	TWO	OF TH	IS FORM ★★★

We deduct at least 5 percent of the retail public utility's total charges for water and wastewater consumption, and then				
allocate the remaining charges among our tenants.				
★★★IF UTILITY SERVICES ARE ALLOCATED, YOU	MUST ALSO COMPLETE PAGE TWO OF THIS FORM ★★★			
You can e-file this form online through the PUC Interchange Filer (https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer).				
- You can find instructions for E-Filing at https://www.p	ouc.texas.gov/industry/filings/E-FilingInstructions.pdf.			
Or you may mail one copy to:	For all other delivery or courier services:			
For USPS:				
P. H. Livilla Commission of Transformation	D. 1.1's III'll' Commission of Tour Control Decords			
Public Utility Commission of Texas Central Records	Public Utility Commission of Texas Central Records			
P.O. Box 13326	1701 N. Congress Ave., 8-100			
Austin, TX 78711-3326	Austin, TX 78701			

METHOD USED TO ALLOCATE UTILITY CHARGES

Check the box or boxes that describe the allocation method used to bill tenants.

į	1. Occupancy method: The number of occupants in the tenant's dwelling unit is divided by the total numbe	r of
occı	cupants in all dwelling units at the beginning of the month for which bills are being rendered.	

2. Ratio occupancy method:		Number of Occupants for
	Number of Occupants	Billing Purposes
The number of occupants in the tenant's dwelling unit	1	1.0
is adjusted as shown in the table to the right. This	2	1.6
adjusted value is divided by the total of these values	3	2.2
for all dwelling units occupied at the beginning of the	>3	2.2 + 0.4 for each additional occupant
retail public utility's billing period.		<u>-</u>

3. Estimated occupancy method:	Number of	Number of Occupants for
	Bedrooms	Billing Purposes
The estimated occupancy for each unit is based on the	0 (Efficiency)	1
number of bedrooms as shown in the table to the	1	1.6
right. The estimated occupancy in the tenant's	2	2.8
dwelling unit is divided by the total estimated	3	4.0
occupancy in all dwelling units regardless of the actual	>3	4.0 + 1.2 for each additional bedroom
number of occupants or occupied units.		

For Box #4: if you check off with the % you will need to choose #1, #2, or # 3 from above as the reminder of no more than 50%.

4. Occupancy and size of rental unit percent (in which no more than 50%) of the utility bill for

consumption is allocated using the occupancy method checked above. The remainder is allocated according to either:

- the size of the tenant's dwelling unit divided by the total size of all dwelling units, OR
- the size of the space rented by the tenant of a manufactured home divided by the size of all rental spaces.

Submetered hot water:

The individually submetered hot water used in the tenant's dwelling unit is divided by all submetered hot water used in all dwelling units.

Submetered cold water is used to allocate charges for hot water provided through a central system:

The individually submetered cold water used in the tenant's dwelling unit is divided by all submetered cold water used in all dwelling units.

As outlined in the condominium contract. Describe:

Size of manufactured home rental space:

The size of the area rented by the tenant divided by the total area of all the size of rental spaces.

Size of the rented space in a multi-use facility:

The square footage of the space rented by the tenant divided by the total square footage of all rental spaces.