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WATER UTILITY TARIFF **FOR**

Teas Estates Homeowners Association, Inc. (Utility Name)

4808 Teas Court (Business Address)

Conroe, Texas 77304

(409) 539-6914 (Area Code/Telephone)

(City, State, Zip Code)

This tariff is effective for utility operations under the following Certificate(s) of Convenience and Necessity:

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This tariff is effective in the following county:

Montgomery

This tariff is effective in the following cities or unincorporated towns (if any):

None

This tariff is effective in the following subdivisions or systems:

Teas Road Estates Subdivision

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SECTION 1.0--RATE SCHEDULE

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		Monthly	/ Minimum	Charge
METER	SIZE	including	unlimited	gallons

5/8" or 3/4" \$__15.00_ per month

Section 1.2--Miscellaneous Fees

TAP FEE.....\$

NONE

Tap fee is limited to the average of the Utility's actual costs for materials and labor for standard residential connections of 5/8" or 3/4" meter.

LATE CHARGE

A one-time penalty of \$1.00 or 5.0% whichever is larger may be made on delinquent bills. The penalty on delinquent bills may not be applied to any balance to which the penalty was applied in a previous billing.

RETURNED	CHECK	CHARGE		 • • • • •	\$ 15.00_
CUSTOMER	DEPOSI	TT (Maximum	\$50).	 	\$ 15.00

SURCHARGE: Effective February 1, 1989, a one-time \$300.00 per homeowner emergency surcharge to pay for drilling a new replacement well.

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SECTION 2.0--SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Section 2.01--Application for Service

All applications for service will be made on the utility's standard application or contract form (attached in Appendix A to this tariff) and will be signed by the applicant before water service is provided by the utility. A separate application or contract will be made for each service at each separate location.

Section 2.02--Water Installation

After the applicant has met all the requirements, conditions and regulations for service, the utility will install a tap, meter and valve and/or take all necessary actions to initiate The utility shall serve each qualified applicant for service within its certified area as rapidly as is practical after accepting a completed application. The utility shall provide service in a timely manner on a non-discriminatory basis.

Service requests not involving line extensions, construction or new facilities shall be filled no later than fourteen (14) working days after a completed application has been accepted. If construction is required which cannot be completed within thirty (30) days, the utility shall provide a written explanation of the construction required and an expected date of service. Service shall be provided within thirty (30) days of the expected date, but no later than 180 days after a completed application was accepted. Failure provide service within this time frame shall constitute refusal to serve.

Section 2.03--Refusal of Service

utility may decline to serve an applicant until such applicant The complied with both state and municipal regulations, the approved rules and regulations of the utility on file with the Commission and for the following reasons:

the applicant's installation or equipment is known to be inadequate or of such character that satisfactory service cannot be given;

the applicant is indebted to any utility for the same kind of service as that applied for, provided, however, that in the event the indebtedness of the applicant is in dispute, the applicant shall be served upon complying with the deposit requirement of the utility; or,

refusal to make a deposit, if applicant is required to make a 3.

deposit by the utility.

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SECTION 2.0--SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT.)

Section 2.03--Refusal of Service (cont.)

In the event that the utility shall refuse to serve an applicant, the utility must inform the applicant of the basis of its refusal. The utility is also required to inform the applicant that it may file a complaint with the Commission.

Section 2.04--Customer Deposits

If the residential applicant cannot establish credit to the satisfaction of the utility, the applicant may be required to pay a deposit that does not exceed \$50.00 for water utility service.

The utility must keep a record of each deposit, issue a receipt for it, and pay annual interest at a rate set each calendar year by the Commission. The utility shall maintain all funds received as customer deposits in a separate, federally insured, interest bearing account and shall use such funds only for the purpose of payment of unpaid bills guaranteed by such deposits, payment of interest to depositors and refund of deposits to depositors.

The utility must automatically refund the deposit plus accrued interest:

- if service is not connected;
- after disconnection of service if the deposit or portion of the deposit exceeds any unpaid bills; or,
- 3. to any residential customer who has paid service bills for 12 consecutive months without being disconnected for nonpayment and without more than two occasions in which a bill was delinquent. The refund need not be made if payment on the current bill is delinquent.

Non-residential applicants, if unable to establish satisfactory credit, may be required to make a deposit not to exceed one-sixth (1/6) of the estimated annual billings.

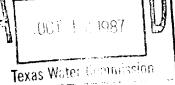
Section 2.05 -- Meter Requirements, Readings, and Testing

All water sold by the utility shall be billed based on meter measurements. The utility shall provide, install, own and maintain meters to measure amounts of water consumed by its customers. No meter shall be placed in service unless its accuracy has been established.

One meter is required for each residential, commercial or industrial facility. An apartment building or a trailer or mobile home park may be considered to be a single commercial facility.

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Section 2.05 -- Meter Requirements, Readings, and Testing

Service meters shall be read at monthly intervals and as nearly as possible on the corresponding day of each monthly meter reading period. If the circumstances warrant, meters may be read at other than monthly intervals.

Upon request, a customer may have his meter tested, without charge, in his presence or in that of his authorized representative, at a convenient time to the customer, but during the utility's normal A charge not to exceed \$15.00 may be assessed for working hours. an additional requested test within two years of the first test if the additional test shows the meter to be accurate.

Section 2.06--Billing

Bills from the utility shall be rendered monthly unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. Payment is considered late if not received at the utility's office or postal address within sixteen days of the billing date. The postmark on the envelope of the bill or the recorded date of mailing by the utility, if there is no postmark on the envelope, shall constitute proof of the date of issuance.

A one-time penalty of \$1.00 or 5.0%, whichever is larger, may be made on delinquent bills. However, no such penalty may be collected unless a record of the date of mailing is made at the time of the mailing and maintained at the principal office of the utility.

Each bill shall show the following information (if applicable):

- the date and reading of the meter at the beginning and at the end of the period for which the bill is rendered;
- the number and kind of units metered;
- the applicable rate schedule, title, or code;
- the total amount due for water service;
- the due date of the bill;
- the date by which customers must pay the bill in order to avoid addition of a penalty;
- the total amount due as penalty for nonpayment within a designated period;
- a distinct marking to identify an estimated bill; and
- any conversions from meter reading units to billing units from recording or other devices, or any other factors used in determining the bill.

The information required in items 1-9 above shall be arranged to allow the customer to readily compute his bill with a copy of the utility's rate schedule which shall be provided by the utility at the request of the customer.

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SECTION 2.0 SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT.)

Section 2.06--Billing (cont.)

In the event of a dispute between a customer and a utility regarding any bill for utility service, the utility shall conduct an investigation and report the results to the customer. If the dispute is not resolved, the utility shall inform the customer that a complaint may be filed with the Commission.

Section 2.07--Service Disconnection

The utility is encouraged to offer a deferred payment plan to a customer who cannot pay an outstanding bill in full and is willing to pay the balance in reasonable installments. However, a customer's utility service may be disconnected if a bill has not been paid or a deferred payment agreement entered into within 26 days from the date of issuance of a bill and if proper notice has been given.

Proper notice shall consist of a separate mailing or hand delivery at least ten (10) days prior to a stated date of disconnection, with the words "termination notice" or similar language prominently displayed on the notice. The notice must also list the past due balance.

Utility service may be disconnected after proper notice for any of the following reasons:

- 1. failure to pay a deliquent account or to comply with a deferred payment agreement;
- 2. willful violation of a utility usage rule when that violation interferes with another customer's service; or,
- 3. failure to comply with valid deposit or guarantee arrangements.

Service may only be disconnected without notice:

- 1. when a known dangerous condition exists, for as long as the condition exists;
- 2. when service is established through meter bypassing, an unauthorized connection or unauthorized reconnection; and,
- 3. in instances of tampering with the utility company's meter or equipment.

A utility may not disconnect any customer for failure to pay for merchandise or service unrelated to utility service, even if the utility provides that merchandise or those services. A utility may not disconnect any customer for a previous occupant's failure to pay.

Utility personnel must be available to make collections and to reconnect service on the day of and the day after anward service of service unless service was disconnected at the customer's request or because of a hazardous condition.

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SECTION 2.0 SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT.)

Section 2.08--Service Interruptions

The utility shall make all reasonable efforts to prevent interruptions of service. When interruptions occur, the utility shall re-establish service within the shortest possible time. Except for momentary interruptions due to automatic equipment operations, each utility shall keep a complete record of all interruptions, both emergency and scheduled.

The Commission shall be notified in writing of any service interruptions affecting the entire system or any major division of the system lasting more than four hours. The notice shall also state the cause of such interruptions.

Section 2.09--Termination of Utility Service

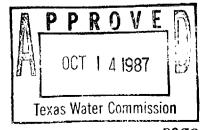
No utility may abandon any customer or any portion of its service area without prior written notice to affected customers and neighboring utilities and prior Commission approval.

Section 2.10 -- Quality of Service

Each utility must plan, furnish, and maintain production, treatment, storage, transmission, and distribution facilities of sufficient size and capacity to provide a continuous and adequate supply of water for all reasonable consumer uses. Minimum residual pressure at the consumer's meter shall be at least 20 psi during periods of peak usage and 35 psi during normal operating conditions.

The water system quantity requirements of the Texas Department of Health shall be the minimum standards for determining the sufficiency of production, treatment, storage, transmission and distribution facilities of water utilities for household usage. Additional capacity shall be provided to meet the reasonable local demand characteristics of the service area.

Each utility shall furnish water which has been approved by the Texas Department of Health. The application of Commission rules shall not relieve the utility from complying with the requirements of the laws and regulations of the State, local Department of Health, local ordinances and all other regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over such matters.



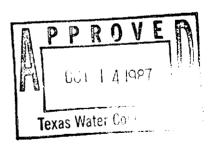
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SECTION 2.20 SPECIFIC UTILITY SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS

This section contains specific utility service rules in addition to the standard rules previously listed under Section 2.0. It must be approved by the Texas Water Commission to be reviewed and effective.

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SECTION 3.0--EXTENSION POLICY

Section 3.01--Standard Extension Requirements

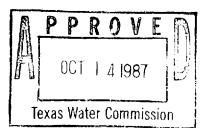
Contributions in aid of construction \underline{shall} not be required of individual residential customers for production, storage, treatment or transmission facilities.

The utility will bear the cost of the first 200 feet of water main necessary to extend service to an individual residential customer. The utility shall bear the full cost of any oversizing of water mains to serve other residential customers in the area. If the specific utility extension policy stated in Section 3.20 of this tariff requires, residential customers may be required to pay for additional main beyond the first 200 feet.

The extension policy may not be applied to requests for service where the utility already has a line in place, even though the line may be overloaded.

Individual residential customers who place a unique or non-standard service demand on the system may be charged the actual costs of any additional transmission or storage facilities required over and above the standard requirements.

If specifically stated in Section 3.20 of this tariff, developers may be required to provide contributions in aid of construction in amounts to furnish the system with facilities compliant with Texas Department of Health minimum design criteria for facilities used in the production, transmission, pumping, storage or treatment of water.



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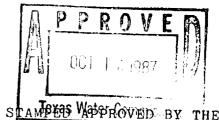
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SECTION 3.20--SPECIFIC UTILITY EXTENSION POLICY

This section contain a specific extension policy in addition to the standard policy already stated under Section 3.0. It must be reviewed by the Texas Water Commission to be effective.

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SECTION 4.0 -- DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN (Utility must attach copy of TCEQ approved Drought Contingency Plan)

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Section I: Declaration of Policy, Purpose, and Intent

In order to conserve the available water supply and protect the integrity of water supply facilities, with particular regard for domestic water use, sanitation, and fire protection, and to protect and preserve public health, welfare, and safety and minimize the adverse impacts of water supply shortage or other water supply emergency conditions, Teas Estates Homeowners' Association (the District) hereby adopts the following regulations and restrictions on the delivery and consumption of water.

Water uses regulated or prohibited under this Drought Contingency Plan (the Plan) are considered to be non-essential and continuation of such uses during times of water shortage or other emergency water supply condition are deemed to constitute a waste of water which subjects the offender(s) to penalties as defined in Section XI of this Plan.

Section II: Public Involvement

Opportunity for the public to provide input into the preparation of the Plan was provided by Teas Estates Homeowners' Association by means of posting of the District's Board Meeting agenda at the regularly designated posting location.

Section III: Public Education

Teas Estates Homeowners' Association will periodically provide the public with information about the Plan, including information about the conditions under which each stage of the Plan is to be initiated or terminated and the drought response measures to be implemented in each stage. This information will be provided by means of utility billing inserts and/or direct mailings from the District's operator, as directed by the Board of Directors.

Section IV: Coordination with Regional Water Planning Groups

The service area of Teas Estates Homeowners' Association is located within Region H. The District has provided a copy of this Plan to Region H, the Texas Water Development Board, and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

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Section V: Authorization

The President of the Board of Directors (President), or his/her designee is hereby authorized and directed to implement the applicable provisions of this Plan upon determination that such implementation is necessary to protect public health, safety, and welfare. The President, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to initiate or terminate drought or other water supply emergency response measures as described in this Plan.

Section VI: **Application**

The provisions of this Plan shall apply to all persons, customers, and property utilizing water provided by Teas Estates Homeowners' Association. The terms "person" and "customer" as used in the Plan include individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, and all other legal entities.

Section VII: Definitions

For the purposes of this Plan, the following definitions shall apply:

Aesthetic water use: water use for ornamental or decorative purposes such as fountains, reflecting pools, and water gardens.

Commercial and institutional water use: water use which is integral to the operations of commercial and non-profit establishments and governmental entities such as retail establishments, hotels and motels, restaurants, and office buildings.

Conservation: those practices, techniques, and technologies that reduce the consumption of water, reduce the loss or waste of water, improve the efficiency in the use of water or increase the recycling and reuse of water so that a supply is conserved and made available for future or alternative uses

Customer: any person, company, or organization using water supplied by Teas Estates Homeowners' Association.

Domestic water use: water use for personal needs or for household or sanitary purposes such as drinking, bathing, heating, cooking, sanitation, or for cleaning a residence, business, industry, or institution.

Even number address: street addresses, box numbers, or rural postal route numbers ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8 and locations without addresses.

Industrial water use: the use of water in processes designed to convert materials of lower value into forms having greater usability and value.

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<u>Landscape irrigation use</u>: water used for the irrigation and maintenance of landscaped areas, whether publicly or privately owned, including residential and commercial lawns, gardens, golf courses, parks, and rights-of-way and medians.

Non-essential water use: water uses that are not essential nor required for the protection of public, health, safety, and welfare, including:

- (a) irrigation of landscape areas, including parks, athletic fields, and golf courses, except otherwise provided under this Plan;
- (b) use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle;
- (c) use of water to wash down any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or other hard-surfaced areas;
- (d) use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection;
- (e) flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street;
- (f) use of water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools or jacuzzi-type pools;
- (g) use of water in a fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes except where necessary to support aquatic life;
- (h) failure to repair a controllable leak(s) within a reasonable period after having been given notice directing the repair of such leak(s); and
- (i) use of water from hydrants for construction purposes or any other purposes other than fire fighting.

Odd numbered address: street addresses, box numbers, or rural postal route numbers ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9.

Section VIII: Triggering Criteria for Initiation and Termination of Drought Response Stages

The President, or his/her designee, shall monitor water supply and/or demand conditions on a daily basis and shall determine when conditions warrant initiation or termination of each stage of the Plan. Public notification of the initiation or termination of drought response stages shall be by means of notices provided as a billing insert, a direct mailing, and/or signs posted in the District. The Operator for the District shall notify directly, or cause to be notified directly: the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, major water users and critical water users, i.e. hospitals.

The triggering criteria described below are based on percentage of total water production capability.

(a) Stage 1 - Moderate Water Shortage Conditions

<u>Requirements for initiation</u> - Customers shall be requested to voluntarily conserve water and adhere to the prescribed restrictions on certain water uses, defined in Section VII – Definitions, when average well run hours are at or above 15 hours for three consecutive days or at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

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Requirements for termination - Stage 1 of the Plan may be rescinded when all of the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to exist for a period of 7 consecutive days or at the discretion of the Board of Directors or their designee.

(b) Stage 2 - Severe Water Shortage Conditions

Requirements for initiation - Customers shall be required to comply with the requirements and restrictions on certain non-essential water uses provided in Section VII of this Plan when average well run hours are at or above 18 hours for three consecutive days or at the discretion of the Board of Directors

Requirements for termination - Stage 2 of the Plan may be rescinded when all of the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to exist for a period of 7 consecutive days operative or at the discretion of the Board of directors or their designee. Upon termination of Stage 2, Stage 1 becomes operative.

Stage 3 - Critical/Emergency Water Shortage Conditions

Requirements for initiation - Customers shall be required to comply with the requirements and restrictions on certain non-essential water uses for Stage 3 of this Plan when average well run hours are at or above 22 hours for three consecutive days, when any of the water plant facilities cannot meet the water supply demand, natural or man-made contamination of the water supply source(s) is discovered or at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Requirements for termination - Stage 3 of the Plan may be rescinded when all of the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to exist for a period of 7 consecutive days operative or at the discretion of the Board of directors or their designee. Upon termination of Stage 3, Stage 2 becomes operative.

Section IX: **Drought Response Stages**

The President, or his/her designee, shall monitor water supply and/or demand conditions on a daily basis and, in accordance with the triggering criteria set forth in Section VIII of the Plan, shall determine that a moderate, severe, or critical/emergency condition exists and shall implement the following actions upon notification via a billing insert, direct mailing, and or signs posted in the District:

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Stage 1 - Moderate Water Shortage Conditions

Goal: Achieve a voluntary 10 percent reduction in total daily water demand. Voluntary Water Use Restrictions:

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- (a) Water customers are requested to voluntarily limit the irrigation of landscaped areas to Sundays and Thursdays for customers with a street address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), and Saturdays and Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9), and to irrigate landscapes only between the hours of midnight and 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m to midnight on designated watering days.
- (b) All operations of the District shall adhere to water use restrictions prescribed for Stage 2 of the Plan.
- (c) Water customers are requested to practice water conservation and to minimize or discontinue water use for non-essential purposes.
- (d) Water distribution pressure levels may be adjusted to help achieve the goals of this plan.

Stage 2 - Severe Water Shortage Conditions

Goal: Achieve a 20 percent reduction in total daily water demand.

Water Use Restrictions. Under threat of penalty for violation, the following water use restrictions shall apply to all persons:

- (a) Irrigation of landscaped areas with hose-end sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems shall be limited to Sundays and Thursdays for customers with a street address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), and Saturdays and Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9), and irrigation of landscaped areas is further limited to the hours of 12:00 midnight until 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on designated watering days. However, irrigation of landscaped areas is permitted at anytime if it is by means of a hand-held hose, a faucet filled bucket or watering can of five (5) gallons or less, or drip irrigation system.
- (b) Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight. Such washing, when allowed, shall be done with a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses. Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. Further, such washing may be exempted from these regulations if the health, safety, and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle cleansing, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food and perishables.

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- (c) Use of water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools, or jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.
- (d) Operation of any ornamental fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.
- (e) Use of water from hydrants shall be limited to fire fighting, related activities, or other activities necessary to maintain public health, safety, and welfare, except that use of water from designated fire hydrants for construction purposes may be allowed under special permit from Teas Estates Homeowners' Association.
- (f) Use of water for the irrigation of golf course greens, tees, and fairways is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8 p.m. and 12:00 midnight. However, if the golf course utilizes a water source other than that provided by Teas Estates Homeowners' Association, the facility shall not be subject to these regulations.
- (g) The following uses of water are defined as non-essential and are prohibited:
 - 1. wash down of any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or other hard-surfaced areas:
 - 2. use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection;
 - 3. use of water for dust control;
 - 4. flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street;
 - 5. failure to repair a controllable leak(s) within a reasonable period after having been given notice directing the repair of such leak(s).
- (h) Water distribution pressure levels may be adjusted to help achieve the goals of this plan.

Stage 3 - Critical/Emergency Water Shortage Conditions

Goal: Achieve a 20 percent reduction in total daily water demand.

Water Use Restrictions. All requirements of Stage 2 shall remain in effect during Stage 3 except:

(a) Irrigation of landscaped areas shall be limited to designated watering days between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight

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- and shall be by means of hand-held hoses, hand-held buckets, or drip irrigation only. The use of hose-end sprinklers or permanently installed automatic sprinkler systems are prohibited at all times.
- (b) The watering of golf course tees is prohibited unless the golf course utilizes a water source other than that provided by Teas Estates Homeowners' Association.
- (b) The use of water for construction purposes from designated fire hydrants under special permit is to be discontinued.
- (c) Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle not occurring on the premises of a commercial car wash and commercial service stations and not in the immediate interest of public health, safety, and welfare is prohibited. Further, such vehicle washing at commercial car washes and commercial service stations shall occur only between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and between 6:00 p.m. and 10 p.m.
- (d) The filling, refilling, or adding of water to swimming pools, wading pools, and jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited.
- (e) Operation of any ornamental fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.
- (f) No applications for new, additional, expanded, or increased-in-size water service connections, meters, service lines, pipeline extensions, mains, or water service facilities of any kind shall be allowed or approved.

Section X: Enforcement

- 1. First Violation The customer will be notified by written notice of their specific violation.
- 2. Subsequent Violations:
 - a. After written notice, the utility may install a flow-restricting device in the line to limit the amount of water that will pass through the meter in a 24-hour period. The utility may charge the customer for the actual cost of installing and removing the flow-restricting device, not to exceed \$50.00.
 - **b.** After written notice, the utility may discontinue service at the meter for a period of seven (7) days, or until the end of the calendar month, whichever is less. The normal reconnect fee of the utility will apply for restoration of service

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Section XI: Variances

The Board of Directors, or their designee, may, in writing, grant temporary variance for existing water uses otherwise prohibited under this Plan if:

- (a) compliance with this Plan cannot be technically accomplished during the duration of the water supply shortage or other condition for which the Plan is in effect: or
- (b) alternative methods can be implemented which will achieve the same level of reduction in water use: or
- (c) it is determined that failure to grant such variance would cause an emergency condition adversely affecting the health, sanitation, or fire protection for the public or the person requesting such variance; or
- (d) in the opinion of the President of the Board of Directors, or his/her designated appointee, a temporary variance is warranted for a business that uses outdoor water in their primary business practice, such as turf growers, nurseries and commercial car washes, or for any customer for any other reason.

Persons requesting an exemption from the provisions of this Ordinance shall file a petition for variance with the District within 5 days after the Plan or a particular drought response stage has been invoked. All petitions for variances shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors, or their designee, and shall include the following:

- (a) Name and address of the petitioner(s).
- (b) Purpose of water use.
- (c) Specific provision(s) of the Plan from which the petitioner is requesting relief.
- (d) Detailed statement as to how the specific provision of the Plan adversely affects the petitioner or what damage or harm will occur to the petitioner or others if petitioner complies with this Ordinance.
- (e) Description of the relief requested.
- (f) Period of time for which the variance is sought.
- (g) Alternative water use restrictions or other measures the petitioner is taking or proposes to take to meet the intent of this Plan and the compliance date.
- (h) Other pertinent information.

Variances granted by Teas Estates Homeowners' Association shall be subject to the following conditions, unless waived or modified by the Board of Directors or their designee:

- (a) Variances granted shall include a timetable for compliance.
- (b) Variances granted shall expire when the Plan is no longer in effect, unless the petitioner has failed to meet specified requirements.

TEXAS COMM. ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

No variance shall be retroactive or otherwise justify any violation of this Plan occurring prior to the issuance of the variance.

Section XII: Severability

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of Directors that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Plan shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Plan, since the same would not have been enacted by the Board of Directors without the incorporation into this Plan of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.