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**APPLICATION OF AQUA TEXAS, INC. § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF §
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN § OF TEXAS
PARKER COUNTY §**

**COMMISSION STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE AND
PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On February 24, 2022, Aqua Texas, Inc. (Aqua Texas) filed an application to amend its water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 13201 in Parker County. On May 9, 2022, Aqua Texas filed its proof of notice.

On April 13, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 2, establishing a deadline of May 23, 2022 for the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on the sufficiency of the notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

Aqua Texas filed an Affidavit of Notice to Current Customers, Landowners, Neighboring Utilities, and Affected Parties on May 9, 2022, indicating that notice was sent on April 22, 2022. Aqua Texas also attached a list of the individuals and entities to whom notice was provided and included a copy of the notice and a copy of the maps deemed sufficient during administrative review. Additionally, Aqua Texas filed a Publisher’s Affidavit on May 9, 2022, indicating that notice was published in a newspaper of general circulation in Parker County through the *Weatherford Democrat* on April 26, 2022 and May 3, 2022. Aqua Texas also filed the newspaper tear sheets to demonstrate publication. Lastly, Aqua Texas filed these affidavits within 30 days of providing individual and published notice. Staff has reviewed the proof of notice and recommends that Aqua Texas provided notice in accordance with Staff’s recommendations on proposed notice filed on March 24, 2022. As such, Staff recommends that notice be found sufficient under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.235.

II. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

In accordance with Staff recommendation that notice be found sufficient, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Notice Completed	May 3, 2022
Deadline for Intervention	June 2, 2022
Deadline for Staff to send final maps, certificates, and tariffs (if applicable) to Aqua Texas for review and consent	June 24, 2022
Deadline for Aqua Texas to file signed consent form with the Commission	July 1, 2022
If no hearing is requested, deadline for Staff to file a final recommendation on the application	July 8, 2022
If no hearing is requested, deadline for parties to file joint proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, and ordering paragraphs	July 22, 2022

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff respectfully recommends that the notice be found sufficient and that the proposed procedural schedule be adopted. Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order consistent with these recommendations.

Dated: May 23, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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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 23, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Scott Miles
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