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CRYSTAL BLUFF GOAT RANCHES	§	BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY
LLC's APPEAL OF THE COST OF	§	
OBTAINING SERVICE FROM	§	<b>COMMISSION OF TEXAS</b>
POSSUM KINGDOM WATER SUPPLY	§	
CORPORATION	§	

# POSSUM KINGDOM WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION'S RESPONSE TO CRYSTAL BLUFF GOAT RANCHES, LLC'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

To: Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC, by and through its attorney of record, C. Justin Broome, Dorsett Johnson & Swift, LLP, 407 Throckmorton Street, Suite 500, Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Possum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation (Possum Kingdom WSC) serves the following Responses to Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC's (CBGR) First Request for Information to Possum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation Question Nos. CBGR 1-1 through CBGR 1-3. Possum Kingdom WSC stipulates that the following responses to RFIs may be treated by all parties as if the answer was filed under oath.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR POSSUM KINGDOM WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

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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 August 4, 2022, in accordance with the Orders Suspending Rules filed in Project No. 50664.

Seoffrey P. Kirshbaum

#### RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Possum Kingdom WSC incorporates each of the following into the individual responses made below and make the individual responses subject thereto.

- 1. No inadvertent production of any information or documents protected by the attorney-client privilege, work product doctrine, and/or any other applicable privilege or protection is intended to or shall operate as a waiver of these objections in whole or in part, and Possum Kingdom WSC reserves all its rights to seek the return, destruction, or other protection of such inadvertently produced information. Possum Kingdom WSC does not by its responses and objections waive any claim of privilege in whole or in part, or any right to object to any use of any document or information furnished by Possum Kingdom WSC.
- 2. The responses contained herein are based on information currently available and are subject to revision or supplementation upon further investigation and discovery. Possum Kingdom WSC reserves the right to use, and to rely upon at trial, subsequently discovered information, including without limitation fact and expert discovery. Possum Kingdom WSC further reserves the right to supplement or amend their responses to these Requests as necessary. Possum Kingdom WSC undertakes no obligation to supplement or amend their responses except as required by applicable law.
- 3. Possum Kingdom WSC reserves the right to challenge the appeal filed against it by Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC and that initiated this proceeding based on jurisdiction or any other basis.
- 4. Each of Possum Kingdom WSC's specific responses, set forth below, is made subject to and without waiver of the foregoing.

#### **CBGR RFI 1-1**

Have any developers executed non-standard service agreements with Possum Kingdom WSC since April 21, 2021 (when the board approved the \$13,385.00 CIAC fee) that were not produced? If so, were any these developers required to pay anything less than the \$13,385.00 CIAC fee or was the CIAC fee waived?

#### **RESPONSE:**

Yes. Since filing its prior responses to Staff RFI 1-8 and 2-2, Possum Kingdom WSC has identified one developer non-standard service contract not produced in previous responses executed after April 21, 2021. However, there are unique circumstances for why that occurred.

In September 2021, Possum Kingdom WSC and a developer called Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC executed a non-standard service contract that did not include the \$13,385.00 per connection CIAC fee established in April 2021. Attached is a copy of that contract. *See* Bates Nos. PKWSC 000242 – PKWSC 000251. This contract was executed on September 15, 2021 by Possum Kingdom WSC and signed by a Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC representative on September 23, 2021. The CIAC fees to be charged for this project were decided by Possum Kingdom in 2020 and the developer actually made a payment in 2020 before Possum Kingdom WSC established its \$13,385.00 per connection CIAC fee on April 21, 2021.

There was a miscommunication between Possum Kingdom WSC and the developer that led to Possum Kingdom WSC authorizing an exception for this development project. The problem occurred when Possum Kingdom WSC experienced office staff and general manager changes during the months immediately after Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC made its payment in 2020. On May 11, 2021, the new general manager at the time, Bob Neal, sent a letter informing Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC that it would need a Non-Standard Contract and offered the new CIAC fee of \$13,385.00 per connection, but Mr. Neal was not aware of the previous communications between Possum Kingdom WSC and Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC where a different price was actually agreed upon and then paid in 2020. In response, Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC presented that correspondence to Mr. Neal.

Upon review, Possum Kingdom WSC staff and its board of directors agreed that Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC had met their obligation in good faith to pay Possum Kingdom WSC its authorized charges for the project in full and that Possum Kingdom WSC staff had failed to engage in follow-up correspondence with the developer to establish a non-standard service contract in June 2020. Therefore, Possum Kingdom WSC proceeded to work with Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC to finalize its non-standard

service contract in September 2021 utilizing the CIAC cost from June 2020 at \$3,765.00 per connection. Ultimately, Patterson Constatin Partners, LLC and Possum Kingdom WSC agreed to a non-standard service contract for five (5) meters that included CIAC in the amount of \$18,825.00.

The situation described above is much different than that of Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC's service negotiations. Unlike the matter described above, Possum Kingdom WSC presented Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC the opportunity to enter a non-standard service contract at various times dating back to 2017. It was Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC that failed to respond with a signed contract at any point before Possum Kingdom WSC increased its CIAC fee on April 21, 2021.

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CBGR RFI 1-2 Was any portion of the bond secured by Possum Kingdom WSC in 2021

applied to the \$10.4M expansion? If not, why not? If so, please provide all

documents related to the issuance of the bond.

**RESPONSE:** No. The bonds issued in 2021 were Series 2021 refunding bonds to take

advantage of market conditions and achieve debt service savings. These bonds were issued to refund Possum Kingdom WSC Series 2002B Bonds, Series 2006A and 2006B Notes and Series 2008 Bonds. This refunding utilizing the Series 2021 refunding bonds was completed to save Possum Kingdom WSC interest and shorten the repayment period for all bonds and notes. The Series 2021 refunding bonds have no relation to the most recent

plant expansion currently valued at \$10.4M.

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Does the \$10.4M expansion include any upgrades that will benefit developments which had purchased meters prior to CIAC fee increase to \$13,385.00?

**RESPONSE:** 

The \$10.4M water treatment facility expansion will increase Possum Kingdom's capacity to treat water supplied to all system customers, including developments with meters purchased prior to Possum Kingdom WSC's CIAC fee increase to \$13,385.00 per connection. In that sense, those developments will receive some benefit from the \$10.4M facility expansion. However, the water system capacity created by the \$10.4M facility expansion would not be needed but for the new development projects by developers charged the \$13,385.00 per connection fee. Therefore, the primary benefit of the \$10.4M expansion facility is to accommodate those new developments.

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# NON-STANDARD SERVICE CONTRACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF PALO PINTO

THIS CONTRACT is made and entered into by and between Patterson Constantin Partners, LLC hereinafter referred to as "Developer", and Possum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "PKWSC" or "Corporation".

WHEREAS, Developer is engaged in developing that certain 3.3 1/2 acres in Palo Pinto, County, Texas, more particularly known as the latter last latter of subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded at Vol. 1/2, Page 1/43 of the Plat Records of Palo Pinto County, Texas, said land being hereinafter referred to as "the Property"; and,

WHEREAS, PKWSC owns and operates a water system which supplies potable water for human consumption and other domestic uses to customers within its service area; and,

WHEREAS, the Property is located within PKWSC's state-certificated service area which obligates PKWSC to provide it with retail public water utility service subject to the terms and conditions of PKWSC's lawful tariff and the regulations of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ"); and, the Public Utility Commission (PUC).

WHEREAS, Developer has requested PKWSC to provide such water service to the Property through an extension of PKWSC's water system, such extension being hereinafter referred to as "the Water System Extension"; NOW THEREFORE:

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT for and in consideration for the mutual promises hereinafter expressed, and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by the parties, Developer and PKWSC agree and contract as follows:

### 1. Contribution-in-aid-of-Construction.

- (a) The parties recognize the Developer's obligation to compensate PKWSC for service capacities that will be dedicated to serve the Property. The Developer and PKWSC have negotiated a mutually agreeable CIAC payment for the Developer to reimburse PKWSC for that portion of its existing service capacities being reserved for the Property plus increased capacity to be created by an upgrade(s) to the Water Treatment Plant ("WTP") to increase production in .5 MGD increments, a portion of which will be dedicated to the Developer's service area. The agreed CIAC amount is \$3,765.00 per lot. This CIAC payment scale will only cover the first five (5) lots for which capacity the Developer will pay \$18,825.00 with the execution of this agreement. Three lots are deemed commercial and should they require more than an 5/8 x ¾ inch meter, additional funds will be required. The cost of future expansions to PKWSC's WTP and distribution system will be apportioned between the Developer and PKWSC in proportion to the amount of the new service capacities that will be dedicated to each, and at construction costs then current to be determined by PKWSC at the time of the new expansion.
- (b) Additional service requests for future phases shall be made not less than twelve (12) months before the time the Developer wants to commence accepting delivery of the additional water. PKWSC shall complete any necessary improvements and provide service within twelve (12) months after receiving a timely request and payment of the applicable CIAC. If the Developer does not make a request for additional water

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- at least twelve (12) months in advance, PKWSC shall make reasonable efforts to provide additional service capacity when requested but PKWSC makes no guarantee or covenant that such additional water will be available on the date requested.
- (c) No additional fees shall be paid except as stated in Sections 1(a). As provided in PKWSC's lawful tariff, the owner of individual lots or tracts connected to or able to receive service from the Water System Extension within the Property with the installation of a properly sized meter will pay monthly service or reserve service fees effective on the closing date of the sale from the Developer to the buyer. These fees will be based on the rates in effect from the corporation's Tariff at the time of closing and will include the following fees: Membership, Equity Buy-In, Administration, Meter Installation and Inspection of Meter Connection.
- (d) Water service to be used by the Developer will be subject to monthly service fees based on the rates in effect from the corporation's Tariff at the time that water service is available to the specified property. Developer shall not be entitled to a membership in PKWSC for any connection serving property owned or being developed for resale to the public. Developer may obtain and hold memberships for service connections to be held permanently by Developer, i.e., to sales offices, common area irrigation meters, and Property maintenance buildings.

#### 2. Service from the Water System.

- (a) Service Capacity Reservation. PKWSC's agreement to provide long-term water service capacity to the Developer and the cost to be paid for such capacity is materially conditioned upon the Developer's projections of the service area's demands. It is agreed that if the Developer is not taking and paying for at least 60% of the water capacity contracted for herein at the end of the first four (4) years of this Agreement and 100% within seven (7) years, the parties shall renegotiate the terms of the Agreement or, at its option, the Developer shall surrender all unused reserved water service capacity so PKWSC may use it to serve other customers, wholesale or retail. PKWSC will notify the Developer at the end of the seventh (7th) year and the Developer must notify PKWSC within 60 days of intent to renegotiate or surrender the service capacity. Should the Developer not respond within the 60 days as required by the notice from PKWSC, the Developer shall surrender all unused reserved water service capacity to PKWSC.
- (b) The Developer shall not be reimbursed for any surrendered service capacity. Surrendering that capacity will only release the Developer from the continued payment of monthly reservation.
- (c) The existing WTP and distribution lines of PKWSC do not support fire flow. "Fire hydrants" installed within PKWSC's water distribution system are provided at the convenience of PKWSC and do not imply any responsibility on the part of PKWSC to meet fire flow requirements of local, county, state, or federal governmental agencies. Such fire hydrants are support facilities only meant to be used as flush and control valves in the public drinking water system. State public health and safety regulations require public drinking water systems to be flushed on a routine basis and metallic flush valves (commonly referred to a "fire hydrant") are a preferred manner of complying with these regulations. PKWSC makes no representation that it is offering fire protection or fire flows under any fire code or fire fighting standard. PKWSC has no obligation at law to provide water for fire related activities because this is not a public water PKWSC or potable domestic water service as defined by the Texas Water Code and/or the Texas Health and Safety Code.

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PKWSC, at its sole option, may permit local area fire departments to use water from its public drinking water system on an "AS IS, AS AVAILABLE" basis and will in no manner be liable for damages caused by its inability to supply sufficient water for the prevention or suppression of fire. Any fire department or other person using PKWSC's water system to take water for fire fighting purposes shall be liable to PKWSC for damage caused to PKWSC's plant and equipment during such use, especially for, but not limited to, damage to pumps caused by improperly opening and closing hydrants/valves under pressure or damage for driving heavy vehicles over water lines. PKWSC reserves the right to remove any fire hydrant (metallic flush valve), due to improper use or detriment to the system as determined by PKWSC, at any time without notice, refund, or compensation to the contributors. Any water taken from PKWSC's water system for any purpose, including fire fighting, without prior knowledge and consent of the Board of Directors and/or the General Manager shall be deemed to be theft and shall be prosecuted. Fire Departments may obtain advanced consent for emergency usage on an "AS IS, AS AVAILABLE" basis.

It is understood that the Developer anticipates providing fire flow service within the development. PKWSC does not accept liability for fire-related injuries or damages to persons or property caused or aggravated by the availability (or lack thereof) of water or water pressure (or lack thereof) during fire emergencies. PKWSC neither possesses nor claims to possess knowledge or expertise in fire fighting or the requirements of fire fighting. No statement or action of PKWSC shall ever be implied or meant to suggest that any facilities of PKWSC comply with any state or local fire code. On-site storage of water reserved for fire fighting shall preferably be accomplished through elevated storage; however, if permitted to achieve Developer's desired ISO rating, reserved water may be stored in ground storage tanks with an emergency back up generator(s) if such water can be injected into the public drinking supply without contamination or significant degradation of drinking water quality during mixing.

- (d) It is understood and agreed by the parties that the obligation of PKWSC to provide water service in the manner contemplated by this Contract is subject to the issuance by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and all other governmental agencies having jurisdiction of all permits, certificates or approvals required to lawfully provide such service.
- (e) Unless the prior approval of PKWSC is obtained, the Developer shall not:
  - (1) construct or install additional water lines or facilities to service areas outside the Property;
  - (2) add any additional lands to the Property for which water service is to be provided pursuant to this Agreement; or
  - (3) Connect or serve any person or entity who, in turn, sells water service directly or indirectly to another person or entity.

#### 3. Effect of Force Majeure.

In the event either party is rendered unable by force majeure to carry out any of its obligations under this Contract, in whole or in part, then the obligations of that party, to the extent affected by the force majeure shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability, provided however, that due diligence is exercised to resume performance

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The cause, as far as possible, shall be remedied with all reasonable diligence. The term "force majeure" includes acts of God, strikes, lockouts or other industrial disturbances, acts of the public enemy, orders of the government of the United States or the State of Texas or any civil or military authority, insurrections, riots, epidemics, landslides, lightning, earthquakes, fires, hurricanes, storms, floods, washouts, droughts, arrests, restraints of government and civil disturbances, explosions, breakage, or accidents to equipment, pipelines, or canals, partial or complete failure of water supply, and any other inability's of either party, whether similar to those enumerated or otherwise, that are not within the control of the party claiming the inability and that could not have been avoided by the exercise of due diligence and care. It is understood and agreed that the settlement or strikes and lockouts shall be entirely within the discretion of the party having the difficulty and that the requirement that any force majeure be remedied with all reasonable dispatch shall not require the settlement of strikes and lockouts by acceding to the demands of the opposing party if the settlement is unfavorable to it in the judgment of the party having the difficulty.

#### 4. Notices.

Any notice to be given hereunder by either party to the other party shall be in writing and may be affected by personal delivery or by sending said notices by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address set forth below. Notice shall be deemed given when deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage affixed. Any notice mailed to PKWSC shall be addressed:

Pcssum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation 1170 Willow Road Graford, TX 76449

Any notice mailed to Applicant shall be addressed:

Pallison Constantin Putnes I, LLC 2310 W. ITO \$100 Allinger TY 76017

Either party may change the address for notice to it by giving written notice of such change in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph

# 5. Breach of Contract and Remedies.

(a) If either party breaches any term or condition of this Contract, the non-breaching party may, at its sole option, provide the breaching party with a notice of the breach within sixty (60) days of discovery of the breach by the non-breaching party. Upon notice of breach, the breaching party shall have sixty (60) days to cure the breach. If the breaching party does not cure the breach within the sixty (60) days, the non-breaching party, below, shall have all rights at law and in equity including the right to enforce specific performance of this Contract by the breaching party, the right to

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perform the obligation in question and to seek restitution for all damages incurred in connection therewith. It should be noted that PKWSC's willingness to enter into this contract is expressly and materially dependent upon Developer's timely and full payments of all sums due hereunder. Developer's failure to perform under this agreement shall expressly be grounds for PKWSC to exercise its statutory right to refuse water utility service to the Property as provided by Texas Water Code §13.2502. Such an election by PKWSC shall not deprive it of any other rights or remedies it may have at law or in equity.

- (b) In the event of termination of this Contract by a non-breaching party, such action shall not affect any previous conveyance unless PKWSC has the statutory right to refuse service to such conveyed property under Texas Water Code §13.2502.
- (c) The rights and remedies of the parties provided in this Contract shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law and under this Contract.

#### 6. Third Parties.

It is the express intention of the parties that the terms and conditions of this Contract may be enforced by either party but not by any third party or alleged third-party beneficiary.

#### 7. Captions.

Captions are included solely for convenience of reference and if there is any conflict between captions and the text of the Contract, the text shall control.

# 8. Context.

Whenever the context requires, the gender of all words herein shall include the masculine, feminine, and neuter, and the number of all words shall include the singular and the plural.

#### 9. Mediation.

Prior to the institution of legal action by either party related to any dispute arising under this Contract, said dispute shall be referred to non-binding mediation by an independent mediator mutually agreed upon by both parties. The cost of the mediator shall be shared equally by both parties.

#### 10. <u>Litigation Expenses</u>.

Either party to this Contract who is the prevailing party in any legal proceeding against the other party, brought in relation to this Contract, shall be entitled to recover court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees from the non-prevailing party.

#### 11. Intent.

The parties hereto covenant and agree that they shall execute and deliver such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to effectuate and carry out the intent of this Contract.

#### 12. Multiple Originals.

This Contract may be executed in multiple originals, any copy of which shall be considered to be an original.

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# 13. Authority.

The signatories hereto represent and affirm that they are authorized to execute this Contract on behalf of the respective parties hereto.

# 14. Severability.

The provisions of this Agreement are severable, and if any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall ever be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid or unconstitutional portion had never been contained therein.

### 15. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement, including any exhibits attached hereto and made a part hereof, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties relative to the subject matter of this Agreement. All prior agreements, covenants, representations, or warranties, whether oral or in writing, between the parties are merged herein.

#### 16. Amendment.

No amendment of this Agreement shall be effective unless and until it is duly approved by each party and reduced to a writing signed by the authorized representatives of PKWSC and the Developer, respectively, which amendment shall incorporate this Agreement in every particular not otherwise changed by the amendment.

#### 17. Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and all obligations of the parties are expressly deemed performable in Palo Pinto County, Texas.

# 18. Venue.

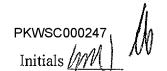
Any civil action at law or in equity brought to enforce or interpret any provision of this Contract shall be brought in a state court of competent jurisdiction with venue in Palo Pinto County, Texas. Any administrative action shall be brought before the TCEQ and the courts of competent jurisdiction in Travis County, Texas.

# 19. Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties.

#### 20. Assignability.

The rights and obligations of the Developer hereunder may not be assigned without the prior written consent of PKWSC.



# 21. Effective Date.

This Agreement shall be effective from and after the date of due execution by all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF each of the parties has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representative in multiple copies, each of equal dignity, on the date or dates indicated below.

Possum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation  By:	DEVELOPER By: Ay
Name: William M. Jasper	Name: Janua Cax
Title: President, Board of Directors	Title: W
Date: 9/15/2/	Date: 4/23/2021

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# ADDENDUM 1

# Patterson Constantin Partners, LLC

#### DETAIL OF FEES:

The following is a detail listing of fees to be paid by the buyer of the developer's property / lot. Upon the sale of the property the developer will notify PKWSC of name and address of buyer.

- Membership in PKWSC of \$300.00
- Equity Buy-In of \$1,731.00 as of June 1, 2021 (If purchased after September 1, 2021)
- Meter Installation \$800.00
- Administration \$40.00
- Inspection of meter connection \$40.00

All fees listed are subject to the PKWSC Tariff and are subject to change with 30 days' notice. The amount billed will be the fee that is in effect at the time of closing and the meter will be installed at that time and billing will be initiated.

#### DEVELOPER WILL PAY:

- \$18,825.00 Capital in aid of Construction (CIAC) which will reserve capacity for the five (5) meters to be installed.
- \$750.00 for Engineering Investigation. THIS HAS BEEN PAID IN FULL.

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# RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT (General Type Easement)

(hereinafter called "Grantors"), in consideration of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid by Possum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation, (hereinafter called "Grantee"), the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant, bargain, sell, transfer, and convey to said Grantee, its successors, and assigns, a perpetual exclusive easement with the right to erect, construct, install, and lay and thereafter access and use, operate, inspect, repair, maintain, replace, upgrade, parallel and remove water distribution lines and appurtenances and any other facilities necessary to serve Grantors' property [including that property's water meter(s) if the easement is located at or near the property line] as well as the Grantee's current and future system-wide customers, under, over and across 3.374 acres of land, more particularly described as (911 Address) (One Stantin Place (Lot), (Block/Area) (Sub-Division/Tract) Dalska have or (Abstract) in instrument recorded in Vol. 11, Page 143, Deed Records, Palo Pinto / Stephens County, Texas, together with the right of ingress and egress over Grantor's adjacent lands for the purpose for which the above mentioned rights are granted. The easement hereby granted shall not exceed twenty feet (20') in width, and Grantee is hereby authorized to designate the course of the

Grantee shall have such other rights and benefits necessary and/or convenient for the full enjoyment and use of the rights herein granted, including without limitation, (1) the reasonable right of ingress and egress over and across lands owned by Grantor which are contiguous to the easement for the purpose of accessing the easement in the most efficient and effective manner but not to use Grantor's contiguous property for other purposes; (2) the reasonable right from time to time to remove any and all paving, undergrowth and other obstructions that may injure Grantee's facilities and appurtenances or interfere with the construction, maintenance, inspection, operation, protection, repair, alteration, testing, replacement, upgrading, paralleling, relocation (as above limited), substitution or removal thereof; and (3) the right to abandon-in-place any and all water supply lines, service lines and associated appurtenances, such that Grantee shall have no obligation or liability to Grantor or their successors or assigns to move or remove any such abandoned lines or appurtenances.

easement herein conveyed except that when the pipeline(s) is installed, the easement herein granted shall be

limited to a strip of land 20' in width the center line thereof being the pipeline as installed.

In the event the easement hereby granted abuts on a public road and the county or state hereafter widens or relocates the public road so as to require the relocation of this water line as installed, Grantor further grants to Grantee an additional easement over and across the land described above for the purpose of laterally relocating said water line as may be necessary to clear the road improvements, which easement hereby granted shall be limited to a strip of land 20' in width the center line thereof being the pipeline as relocated.

Grantor shall have the right to construct and maintain a driveway across the easement so long as it crosses the easement at an approximate ninety-degree (90°) angle and does not cover the easement for a protracted or unreasonable distance. Grantor takes this action with the full knowledge and understanding that Grantee may, at some unknown date, without or without advance notice, have to excavate its water line for maintenance or repair. Thereafter, Grantee shall be charged only with a reasonable duty to restore the drive to a working condition without guarantee or warranty of aesthetic or pre-existing condition.

Grantor shall have the right to erect a fence(s) across the easement for the purpose of containing livestock and domesticated animals. However, if Grantor erects a fence(s), Grantor shall install a gate at each end of the easement (if the total easement exceeds 300 feet or if it crosses a watercourse). These gates may be locked but the locking combinations must be given to the Grantee and not changed without its prior knowledge. The Grantor's water meter shall be located in proximity to a gate for ease of reading if maintained behind the fence. One gate may be replaced by a stile capable of bearing a 300-pound person to be located at the site of the water meter. This requirement for gates and fence stiles may be waived in writing by Grantee on a landowner-by-landowner basis as the property passes in chain of title in recognition of Grantee's above-recited right of access across Grantor's contiguous lands if the waiver does not place an undue burden on meter readers.

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The consideration recited herein shall constitute payment in full for all damages sustained by Grantors by reason of the installation of the structures referred to herein and the Grantee will maintain such easement in a state of good repair and efficiency so that no unreasonable damages will result from its use to Grantors' premises. This agreement together with other provisions of this grant shall constitute a covenant running with the land for the benefit of the Grantee, its successors, and assigns. The Grantors covenant that they are the owners of the above described land and that said lands are free and clear of all encumbrances and liens except the following:

Grantor does hereby bind itself, its successors and assigns, to WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND, all and singular, the easement herein granted to Grantee, or Grantee's successors and assigns, against every person whomsoever claiming, or to claim, the same or any part thereof.

The easement conveyed herein was obtained or improved through Federal financial assistance. This easement is subject to the provisions of the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto for so long as the easement continues to be used for the same or similar purpose for which financial assistance was extended or for so long as the Grantee owns it, whichever is longer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said Grantors have executed this instrument this 23 day of , 20 21.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF Larrent

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, on this day personally appeared <u>Jarud Cox UP of PCPT JCC</u> known to me to be the person(s) whose name(s) is(are) subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he (she) (they) executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE THIS THE 33 day of September 20\_

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