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CRYSTAL BLUFF GOAT RANCHES,	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
LLC’S APPEAL OF THE COST OF	§	
OBTAINING SERVICE FROM	§	OF TEXAS
POSSUM KINGDOM WATER	§	
SUPPLY CORPORATION	§	

**COMMISSION STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON NOTICE AND AGREED
PRORPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On March 1, 2022, Crystal Bluff Goat Ranches, LLC (Crystal Bluff) filed an appeal of the cost of obtaining service from Possum Kingdom Water Supply Corporation (Possum Kingdom WSC) under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.043(g) and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.101(g).

On March 3, 2022, the administrative law judge filed Order No. 1, requiring the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), Crystal Bluff, and Possum Kingdom WSC to file recommendations regarding how to proceed with the petition and propose a procedural schedule. On April 4, 2022, the deadline was amended to April 18, 2022. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. NOTICE

Staff recommends that Crystal Bluff has satisfied the notice requirement under 16 TAC § 22.55. Staff recommends that the only entity affected by this appeal is Possum Kingdom WSC, and therefore, it is reasonable to require Crystal Bluff to provide notice to Possum Kingdom WSC. On April 7, 2022, Crystal Bluff filed a proof of notice, in the form of a signed certified mail receipt, to Possum Kingdom WSC with the submission of a certified mailing receipt. Therefore, Staff recommends that Crystal Bluff has satisfied the notice requirement under 16 TAC § 22.55.

II. AGREED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the requirements of TWC § 13.043(g) and 16 TAC § 24.101(g)(2), Staff will evaluate whether the amount that Crystal Bluff paid to obtain service from Possum Kingdom WSC was “consistent with the tariff of the water supply or sewer service corporation and is reasonably related to the cost of installing on-site and off-site facilities to provide service.” To conduct its evaluation and develop facts in this proceeding, Staff proposes, and Crystal Bluff and Possum

Kingdom WSC join in agreement, the following procedural schedule for the processing of this docket:

Event	Date
Deadline for Possum Kingdom WSC to file a response to the petition	May 16, 2022
Deadline for Staff to issue a final recommendation on the petition or to request a hearing	June 16, 2022
Deadline for parties to respond to Staff's Recommendation and/or to request a hearing, or if no hearing is requested, deadline to file a proposed order.	July 18, 2022

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests that Crystal Bluff's notice be deemed sufficient and that the above agreed proposed procedural schedule be adopted.

Dated: April 18, 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 April 18, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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