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RE:

October 6, 2022 Open Meeting – Item No. XX

Docket No. 53324 – Petition to Revoke M.A.B.D.D, Inc.'s Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Under Texas Water Code § 13.254 And 16 TAC § 24.245.

A proposed default order filed in the above-referenced docket is posted for consideration and action by the Commission. If the Commission approves the proposed default order, I recommend the following changes to the Commission's order.

Finding of fact 10 should be amended to remove language that is unnecessary and is not appropriate in a finding of fact.

10. The amended petition notified M.A.B.D.D. of the legal authority and the Commission's jurisdiction over this matter, cited to particular sections of the statutes and rules involved, and provided a statement of the factual allegations., as provided under Texas Governmental Code § 2001.052(a).

Conclusion of law 2 and 3 should be deleted, and conclusion of law 4 should be modified, to remove language that is unnecessary to the disposition of this proceeding. As long as M.A.B.D.D. Inc. holds a certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN), the Commission may revoke the CCN under Texas Water Code § 13.254(a)(1) if he is no longer providing, and is

incapable of providing, continuous and adequate service. The fact that not providing continuous and adequate service violates other legal requirements is also irrelevant to this default disposition.

- 2. M.A.B.D.D. is a retail public utility under TWC § 13.002(19) and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.3(31).
- 3. Under TWC § 13.250(a) and 16 TAC § 24.247, M.A.B.D.D., as the holder of CCN number 20661, is obligated to provide sewer service to every customer and applicant for service within its certificated area who requests sewer service and meets the terms of M.A.B.D.D.'s sewer service policies, and such service must be continuous and adequate.
- 4. Because M.A.B.D.D. is no longer providing and is incapable of providing continuous and adequate service in its certificated service area, in violation of TWC-§ 13.250(a) and 16 TAC-§ 24.247, the Commission is entitled to revoke CCN number 20661 under TWC § 13.254(a)(1) and 16 TAC § 24.245(d)(1)(A).

Conclusion of law 5 should be modified to delete an unnecessary citation and to provide more specific citations.

5. Adequate notice was provided to M.A.B.D.D. in compliance with Texas Government Code §§ 2001.052 and 2001.054(c), and 16 TAC §<u>§ 22.54(a)</u> and 22.183(b).

Conclusion of law 6 should be rewritten as a proper conclusion of law.

6. The Commission may issue a default order under 16 TAC § 22.183(a) and (b) in this proceeding because M.A.B.D.D. failed to request a hearing within 30 days of service of the notice of an opportunity for a hearing., as provided in 16 TAC § 22.183(a).

The following new ordering paragraph should be added for completeness.

XX. The Commission directs Commission Staff to update its records accordingly.

Additionally, the Commission should delegate to the Office of Policy and Docket Management the authority to modify the order to conform to the *Citation and Style Guide for the Public Utility Commission of Texas* and to make other non-substantive changes to the order for such matters as capitalization, spelling, grammar, punctuation, style, correction of numbering, and readability.

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