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APPLICATION OF CROSS TIMBERS	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND	§	
STONEBRIDGE WATER SUPPLY	§	OF TEXAS
CORPORATION FOR SALE,	§	
TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF	§	
FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN DENTON COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

On March 10, 2022, Cross Timbers Water Supply Corporation (Cross Timbers WSC) and the Stonebridge Water Supply Corporation (Stonebridge WSC) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for sale, transfer, or merger (STM) of facilities and certificate rights in Denton County, Texas, under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.301 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.239

On June 13, 2022, the administrative law judge filed Order No. 3, establishing a deadline of July 20, 2022 for the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

Staff has reviewed the proof of notice submitted by Applicants and recommends that it be found sufficient under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.239(c). On August 17, 2021, Applicants filed the affidavit of Jackson Wolf, General Manager of Cross Timbers, attesting that notice was mailed to the persons and entities identified in Staff's supplemental recommendation on administrative completeness and proposed notice, filed on June 8, 2022, using the notice provided by Staff and the maps deemed sufficient. On July 18, 2022, Applicants filed a copy of the notice that was issued to all requisite persons and entities.

II. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff proposes the following procedural schedule for the continued processing of this application:

Event	Date
Notice completed	June 11, 2022
Deadline to intervene	July 11, 2022 ¹
Deadline for Commission Staff to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and on the CCN amendment	September 2, 2022
Deadline for parties to file a response to Staff's recommendation on approval of the sale	September 16, 2022
Deadline for parties to file a joint motion to admit evidence and proposed order approving sale and allowing transaction to proceed.	September 23, 2022
120-day deadline for the Commission to approve the sale or require a hearing	November 8, 2022 ²

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, Staff respectfully requests that Applicants' notice be found sufficient and that the proposed procedural schedule be adopted for further processing of this docket.

¹ Under 16 TAC § 24.239(b), the intervention period shall not be less than 30 days unless good cause is shown. Notice was mailed on June 11, 2022. Therefore, 30 days after June 11, 2022 is July 11, 2022.

² Under 16 TAC § 24.239(a) and (i), the deadline for Commission action is 120 days after the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later. One hundred and twenty days after June 11, 2022 is November 8, 2022.

Dated: July 18, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

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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 July 18, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Merritt Lander
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