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APPLICATION OF CSWR-TEXAS	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY	§	
LLC AND LAKE LIMESTONE COVES	§	OF TEXAS
WATER SYSTEM, INC. FOR SALE,	§	
TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF	§	
FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN LIMESTONE AND	§	
ROBERTSON COUNTIES	§	

**ORDER NO. 6
REQUIRING CLARIFICATION**

The administrative law judge requires clarification from CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC and Lake Limestone Coves Water System, Inc. In a footnote of its December 13, 2022 notice of completed transaction, CSWR-Texas requested a good cause exception to the requirement in 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.239(I) that applicants file evidence that the transaction closed as proposed within 30 days of the effective date of the transaction.

CSWR-Texas filed closing documents indicating that the effective date of the transaction is September 21, 2022. CSWR-Texas did not file the closing documents until December 13, 2022, more than 30 days after the effective date of the transaction. In the interim, on September 28 and November 10, 2022, CSWR-Texas filed closing status updates in which CSWR-Texas stated that it “continues to work toward the completion of the proposed acquisition.” However, at the time these status updates were filed, the transaction contemplated in this docket was already completed.

In its request for a good cause exception to 16 TAC § 24.239(I), CSWR-Texas provided little justification for its failure to comply with the rule and simply stated that its counsel was unable to acquire all of the closing documents until several weeks after the transaction was completed. CSWR-Texas provided no explanation for the September 28 and November 10, 2022 status reports that appear to mischaracterize the situation.

For the administrative law judge to fully analyze CSWR-Texas’s request for a good cause exception to the requirements of 16 TAC § 24.239(I), CSWR-Texas must provide further justification for its request by January 10, 2023.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 3rd day of January 2023.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katie Moore Marx". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K'.

**KATIE MOORE MARX
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**