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APPLICATION OF GIDEON WATER LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

ORDER NO. 12 REQUIRING CLARIFICATION

This Order addresses Commission Staff's March 31, 2023 recommendation on final disposition and the parties' April 26, 203 joint motion to admit evidence and proposed notice of approval.

The administrative law judge (ALJ) requires the parties to address the following issues:

- In Commission Staff's recommendation on final disposition, Commission Staff states, "The water plant and distribution lines have all been installed. They are currently waiting on power, which should be installed in the next 30 days."¹ The ALJ requires the parties to identify the documents and filings in the record supporting this assertion by Commission Staff.
- 2. Proposed finding of fact 3 states, "Gideon has received conditional approval from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), to construct, operate, maintain, and control the Gideon Ranch water system to provide water service in Montgomery County."² The ALJ requires the parties to clarify the following: (a) whether the name of the public water system will be the Preserve Water System or the Gideon Ranch Water system; (b) whether the May 19, 2022 letter from the TCEQ conditionally approved the construction of the distribution system in addition to the construction of the public water supply well and storage tanks; and (c) whether the TCEQ has approved the well for use as a public water supply.
- 3. Proposed finding of fact 20 states, "Gideon filed a copy of the water system agreement between itself and the developer, demonstrating the need for water

¹ Commission Staff's Recommendation on Final Disposition at 6.

² Joint Motion to Admit Evidence at 3.

service in the requested area."³ The ALJ requires the parties to identify the location in the record of the executed water service agreement.

4. Proposed finding of fact 52 states, "Gideon provided an estimated completion date for the water system."⁴ The ALJ requires the parties to identify the location in the record the estimated completion date for construction of all facilities necessary to provide full service to the requested area, keyed to a map showing where such facilities will be located.

The parties must file a response to the issues identified above by May 26, 2023.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 4th day of May 2023.

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 3 *Id.* at 5.

4 Id. at 8.