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APPLICATION OF AMBERWOOD	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITY AND CSWR-TEXAS UTILITY	§	
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC FOR	§	OF
SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF	§	
FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	TEXAS
RIGHTS IN HARRIS COUNTY	§	

COMMISSION STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE AND REQUEST TO RESTYLE DOCKET

On April 28, 2022, CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC and Amberwood Utility Co. (jointly, Applicants) filed an application for the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) rights in Harris County.

On July 6, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 3, establishing a deadline of August 15, 2022, for the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on the sufficiency of notice. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

Staff has reviewed the proof of notice provided by Applicant and recommends that notice is sufficient. Specifically, Applicants filed an Affidavit of Notice to Current Customers, Neighboring Utilities, and Affected Parties on July 14, 2022, indicating that the notice of the application was mailed to the affected parties on July 14, 2022, as well as the required maps. Therefore, Staff recommends that Applicants’ notice of the application be deemed sufficient.

II. PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends that notice be deemed sufficient. Therefore, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Notice complete	July 14, 2022
Deadline for intervention	August 15, 2022 ¹
Deadline for Staff to request a hearing or file a recommendation on the approval of the sale	September 12, 2022
Deadline for parties to file a response to Staff's recommendation on approval of sale	September 26, 2022
120-day deadline for the Commission to approve the sale or require a hearing	November 11, 2022 ²

III. REQUEST TO RESTYLE DOCKET

The case style identifies Amberwood Utility as the applicant. The name is incomplete, as it is missing the abbreviation “Co” at the end. Accordingly, Staff respectfully requests that the docket be restyled as follows: APPLICATION OF AMBERWOOD UTILITY CO. AND CSWR-TEXAS UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN HARRIS COUNTY.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the notice be found sufficient, that the proposed procedural schedule be adopted, and that the case be restyled as requested.

¹ Under 16 TAC § 24.239(b), the intervention period shall not be less than thirty (30) days unless good cause is shown. Notice was mailed on July 14, 2022. Therefore, thirty (30) days after July 14, 2022 is August 13, 2022. Because August 13, 2022 is a Saturday, a day in which the Commission was closed, under 16 TAC § 22.4(a), the deadline is the next day the Commission is open for business, Monday, August 15, 2022.

² Under 16 TAC § 24.239(a) and (i), the deadline for Commission action is one hundred twenty (120) days after the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later. One hundred and twenty (120) days after July 14, 2022 is November 11, 2022.

Dated: August 15, 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 August 15, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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