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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 THE
CLOSING DOCUMENTS**

I. INTRODUCTION

On April 28, 2022, CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC (CSWR-Texas) and Amberwood Utility Co. (Amberwood) (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 November 3, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 6, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation regarding the sufficiency of the closing documents and propose a schedule for continued processing of this docket within 15 days following the filing of the Applicants’ proof that the transaction has been consummated and customer deposits have been addressed. Applicants provided proof that the transaction had been consummated and customer deposited addressed on December 13, 2022. Fifteen days after December 13, 2022, is December 28, 2022. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed the Applicants’ proof of closing and recommends that the closing documents satisfy the requirements under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.239(l). Specifically, the closing documents include a proper bill of sale that is signed by both Applicants and was submitted within 30 days of the transaction being completed. Staff also notes that there are no customer deposits to be addressed as required by 16 TAC § 24.239(k). Therefore, Staff recommends that the Applicants’ proof of closing be found sufficient.

III. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff recommends that the Applicants’ closing documents be found sufficient. Therefore, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule for continued processing of this docket:

Event	Date
Deadline for Staff to provide final maps, certificates, and tariffs (if applicable) to Applicants for review and consent	January 11, 2023
Deadline for Applicants to file signed consent forms with the Commission	January 25, 2023
Deadline for parties to file joint proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, and ordering paragraphs	February 8, 2023

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff respectfully requests that an order be issued allowing the proposed transaction to proceed.

Dated: December 28, 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 December 28, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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