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PETITION BY MONTGOMERY	§	
COUNTY LAND INVESTMENTS, INC.	. §	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
TO AMEND T&W WATER SERVICE	§	
COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF	§	OF TEXAS
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN	§	
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BY	§	
STREAMLINED EXPEDITED	§	
RELEASE	§	

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY LAND INVESTMENTS, INC.'S REPLY TO T&W WATER SERVICE COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO ORDER NO. 5

COMES NOW, Montgomery County Land Investments, Inc.'s (Applicant) and files this Reply to T&W Water Service Company's (T&W) Response to Order No. 5. T&W objects to the Petition on the basis that the Applicant had not satisfied the requirements of Texas Water Code § 13.2541 and 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.245(h), specifically T&W alleges that the Applicant did not provide "adequate" notice of the area to be decertified. It is unclear what this means and what was inadequate about the notice. As the certification states on the petition, the petition and attached documents were mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, on May 11, 2022. Records of the Applicant's legal counsel demonstrate that the petition was mailed, although legal counsel cannot locate the green card indicating receipt of the petition – either it was never returned or was unintentionally discarded. Attached to this Reply as Exhibit A is the May 11, 2022 email string between legal counsel's legal assistant and the firm's mailroom clerk requesting that the petition be mailed by certified mail. Also attached hereto as Exhibit B is the firm's Postage Meter Log Sheet. The highlighted log entry is the entry for the certified mailing to T&W. Client/Matter number 4419.01 is the firm's account number for the Applicant, and CMRRR stands for "certified mail, return receipt requested." The petition filed by the Applicant and mailed to T&W adequately identified the area to be decertified.

T&W further objects to the administrative completeness of the Application because it would allegedly deny T&W of the ability to serve the property. Notably, T&W does not allege that it is providing service to the Applicant's property or allege that it has water facilities or lines committed to or serving the Applicant's property. See General Land Office v. Crystal Clear Water Supply Corp., 449 S.W.3d 130 (Tex. App. – Austin 2014, pet. denied); Johnson County Special Utility District v. Public Utility Commission of Texas, No. 03-17-00160-CV, 2018 WL 2170259 (Tex. App. – Austin May 11, 2018, pet. denied) (mem. op.) at \*8 (citing Crystal Clear Water); Mountain Peak Special Util. Dist. v. Public Util. Comm'n of Tex., No. 03-16-00796-CV, 2017 WL 5078034 (Tex. App. – Austin, Nov. 2, 2017 pet. denied) (mem. op.) (discussing and applying analysis from Crystal Clear Water). The Applicant is not receiving water service from T&W, and any alleged damages to T&W will be addressed as part of the appraisal process of this docket.

The Applicant respectfully requests that its petition be declared administratively complete, and that the Application be processed in accordance with the Texas Water Code and Public Utility Commission of Texas's rules and granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of this document was served on all parties of record via email on November 11, 2022, in accordance with the requirements of 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.74 and PUC Order No. 2 in Docket No. 50664.

Emily W. Pogers

# Exhibit A

From: Rae Fregeolle-Burk
To: Fran Cardiel

Subject: RE: Certified mailing for today

Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 2:55:00 PM

### Thanks!

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From: Fran Cardiel <FCardiel@bickerstaff.com> Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 2:55 PM

To: Rae Fregeolle-Burk <rfburk@bickerstaff.com>

**Subject:** RE: Certified mailing for today

This certified mailing is ready and will go out today.

Thanks,

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**From:** Rae Fregeolle-Burk < <a href="mailto:rfburk@bickerstaff.com">rfburk@bickerstaff.com</a>>

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 11, 2022 1:54 PM **To:** Fran Cardiel < FCardiel@bickerstaff.com >

Subject: Certified mailing for today

Please print one copy of the attached and mail today, via certified mail, to the following:

T&W Water Service Company P.O. Box 2927

Conroe, Texas, 77305

Please bill 4419-01.

Thanks!

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# Exhibit B

Postage Meter Log Sheet					
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