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**APPLICATION OF MANVEL TERRACE § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITIES FOR A CLASS D RATE §
ADJUSTMENT § OF TEXAS**

**COMMISSION STAFF'S COMMENTS ON ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS
AND NOTICE**

On June 6, 2022, Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. (Manvel) filed an application for a Class D rate adjustment for water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 12080 under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.1872 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.49.

On June 7, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 1, requiring the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and notice by July 7, 2022. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS

Staff has reviewed the application and, as detailed in the attached memorandum from James Onyeneke, Rate Regulation Division, recommends that the application is administratively incomplete. Staff further recommends that Manvel be ordered to cure the deficiencies identified in Mr. Onyeneke's memorandum by July 21, 2022 and that Staff be given a deadline of August 4, 2022 to file a supplemental recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application and notice.

II. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the application be found administratively incomplete, and that Manvel be ordered to file supplemental information to cure the deficiencies in the application by July 21, 2022 and that Staff be given a deadline of August 4, 2022 to file a supplemental recommendation on the administrative completeness of the application and notice. Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order consistent with these recommendations.

Dated: July 7, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
LEGAL DIVISION**

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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 July 7, 2022 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Arnett Caviel
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Public Utility Commission of Texas

Memorandum

TO: Arnett Caviel, Attorney
Legal Division

FROM: James Onyeneke, Regulatory Accountant
Rate Regulation Division

DATE: July 7, 2022

RE: **Docket No. 53685** -*Application of Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. for a Class D Annual Rate Adjustment*

On June 6, 2022, Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc., filed an application for a Class D rate adjustment for its public water system No. 0200102, under certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 12080. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code Ann. (TWC) § 13.1872, a utility may request an annual increase to its tariffed rates of no more than 5%. A utility may adjust its rates under TWC § 13.1872 not more than once a year and not more than four times between rate proceedings described under TWC § 13.1871. Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. current application requests approval to adjust its water monthly meter charge and monthly gallonage rate by 5%.

Based on a review of the information in the application, I determined that the application is not administratively complete. To be administratively complete, I request that Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. submit the following:

1. Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. must provide the current water utility tariff (rate pages only) associated with this rate adjustment application.
2. Based on the Base Rate which includes 1,000 Gallons and Block Gallonage Charges provided in the application on Page 1 of the "Notice of Approved Utility Annual Rate Adjustment", the "Billing Comparison" for water should be corrected to reflect the following monthly charges:
 - 5,000 G New should be \$54.19
 - 10,000 G New should be \$75.79
3. Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. must identify by CCN number the total number of water connections for every system owned and operated by the applicant including any system listed in Docket No. 53685.
4. Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. must identify by CCN number the total of sewer connections for every system owned and operated by the applicant, if any.
5. Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.136(b) states the following: The utility commission by rule shall require each utility to annually file a service, financial, and normalized earnings report in a form and at times specified by utility commission rule. The report must include information sufficient to enable the utility commission to properly monitor utilities in this

state. The utility commission shall make available to the public information in the report the utility does not file as confidential. Please file in Project No. 52954 the annual report for the water utility associated with this rate adjustment application.

6. To allow the administrative law judge sufficient time to issue a Notice of Approval, please amend the notice to reflect a notice delivery date September 5, 2022, and the effective date of the approved increase to October 6, 2022.
7. Manvel Terrace Utilities, Inc. may not send notice to customers or raise rates until approval of the proposed notice is received from the Commission. The Commission will review the proposed rate and tariff. Once the rate adjustment is approved, official notice to customers must be provided 30 days prior to the effective date.