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APPLICATION OF RANCH COUNTRY	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS, INC. AND CSWR-TEXAS	§	
UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY,	§	OF TEXAS
LLC FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR	§	
MERGER OF FACILITIES AND	§	
CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN AUSTIN	§	
COUNTY	§	

ORDER NO. 22 REQUIRING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

In Order No. 15 filed on October 18, 2023, the administrative law judge approved the transaction to proceed and required the applicants to file proof that the transaction had closed and that customers deposits had been addressed. At that time, CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC had only filed a partial capital improvements plan. While CSWR-Texas had not filed a complete capital improvement plan, an order approving the transaction was entered consistent with the Commission's finding that "the lack of a capital improvements plan should not prevent the Commission from authorizing [the] sale to proceed. However, [the applicant] must file a capital improvements plan consistent with the Texas Water Code and Commission rules before a final order can be issued."

In Ordering Paragraph 6 of Order No. 15, CSWR-Texas was ordered to file a capital improvements plan that complies with the requirements of Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.244(d)(3) and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.233(a)(6), which must include a budget and an estimated timeline 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 to provide service. To date, CSWR-Texas has not filed a complete capital improvements plan.

By April 24, 2024, CSWR-Texas must file a complete capital improvements plan that complies with the requirements of TWC § 13.244(d)(3) and 16 TAC § 24.233(a)(6). By May 8, 2024, Commission Staff must file a recommendation on the capital improvements plan.

¹ Application of Aqua Texas, Inc. and Forest Grove, Inc. dba Southern Oaks Water Supply for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of Facilities and Certificate Rights in Navarro and Freestone Counties and For Dual Certification with Winkler Water Supply Corporation, Docket No. 54341, Commission McAdams memorandum at 1 (June 28, 2023).

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 10th day of April 2024.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

CHRISTINA DENMARK

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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