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Ratepayer Information: Samuel E Oughton

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I, a ratepayer currently of Crystal Systems, Inc. in Hideaway Texas, hereby enter the following protests regarding the proposed acquisition of Crystal Systems Texas, Inc. in Hideaway, Texas by Undine Texas, LLC.

During the first two weeks of December, ratepayers in Hideaway Texas were notified of the proposed acquisition, with a stated mailing date of December 2, 2022. The Notice's stated link to Undine's current approved tariff was an invalid link, depriving me of timely information.

I request that Undine Texas LLC send a corrected Notice to Current Customers, Landowners, Neighboring Systems, and Cities to all ratepayers and that the 30-day intervention period start from the Date Notice Mailed of the corrected Notice. Subsequent research by the City of Hideaway found online in the Application for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of a Retail Public Utility; Section 15, Undine Texas states "rates will change to match those currently affected by the tariff enacted by Docket No. 50017 for CCN 13260."

This tariff would result in a rate increase without any confirmed improvements or substantial changes in operation. I am protesting this rate increase and request that if the acquisition is completed, that Undine Texas' water tariffs for our service area be restricted to the existing approved Crystal Systems Texas' water tariffs, under the City of Hideaway Ordinance 31-11-06-05.

I also request that the City of Hideaway retain the authority to set or approve the water tariff of any systems operator operating in the City of Hideaway, as they have done with Crystal Systems, Inc; as evidenced by the existing water tariff being established under the City of Hideaway Ordinance 31-11-06-05.

Sincerely, Samuel Oughton

