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APPLICATION OF CRYSTAL SYSTEMS TEXAS, LLC, AND UNDINE TEXAS, LLC, FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN SMITH COUNTY

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

On October 18, 2022, Commission Staff requested an extension of its October 18th deadline to file a supplemental recommendation regarding the administrative completeness of the application. Undine Texas, LLC ("Undine") objects to the request.

Staff's request seeks the extension "due to the subject matter expert's conflict with a previously scheduled conference." This is now the fourth extension Staff has requested in an Undine or Undine-affiliated application over the past several days, each asserting the same basis for the request. While Undine is sympathetic to staffing limitations, the request for a three-week extension across four dockets (to date) without applicant consultation and submitted on the day of the deadline, on the basis that a subject matter expert has a conference somewhere within that three-week period, is problematic for an applicant and counter-party that are seeking to move forward with a transaction in a predictable manner. The basis offered by Staff, the limited statement that a subject matter expert has a conference, does not establish good cause as required under 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.4(b).

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The Applicant requests that the Staff's request for extension be denied or, in the alternative, that the length of the extension be limited to a maximum of ten days.

Respectfully submitted,

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By my signature above, I certify that on October 18, 2022 the foregoing document was served via first class mail and/or email to counsel of record in the matter.