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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

COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

I. INTRODUCTION

On July 6, 2022, Crystal Systems Texas, LLC (Crystal Systems) and Undine Texas, LLC (Undine) (jointly, Applicants) filed an application for approval of the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) rights in Smith County. Applicants seek approval to sell and transfer Crystal System's facilities and all of Crystal System's certificated area under CCN No. 10804 to Undine.

On March 28, 2023, the administrative law judge filed Order No. 12, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a revised recommendation on the transaction or a joint proposed order by May 5, 2023. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

Under 16 TAC § 22.4(b), Staff may request that the time allowed for filing any documents be extended for good cause. Staff is still working on finalizing its maps and is not prepared to submit a revised recommendation on the transaction or a joint proposed order until the mapping is complete. Accordingly, Staff respectfully requests that Staff's deadline to file a revised recommendation on the transaction or a joint proposed order to June 9, 2023. Staff has conferred with counsel for Undine and the Office of Public Utility Counsel and is authorized to represent they are unopposed to the extension request. Counsel also attempted to confer with counsel for Crystal Systems but was unsuccessful.

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order extending Staff's deadline to June 9, 2023, to file a revised recommendation on the transaction or a joint proposed order.

Dated: May 4, 2023

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 on May 4, 2023 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules filed in Project No. 50664.

<u>/s/ Ian Groetsch</u> Ian Groetsch