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**APPLICATION OF TEXAS WATER § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITIES, L.P. AND CREEK WATER §
UTILITY LLC FOR SALE, TRANSFER, §
OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND § OF TEXAS
CERTIFICATE RIGHTS MARION §
COUNTY §**

COMMISSION STAFF’S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

I. INTRODUCTION

On August 1, 2022, Monarch Utilities I L.P. (Monarch) and the Creek Water Utility, LLC (Creek Water) (collectively Applicants) filed an application for sale, transfer, or merger (STM) of facilities and certificate rights in Marion County, Texas, under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.301 and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.239. On November 28, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) issued Order No. 6, recognizing that Monarch has changed its name to Texas Water Utilities, L.P. (Texas Water) on November 15, 2022 and restyling the application accordingly.

On January 20, 2023, the administrative law judge filed Order No. 9, instructing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and the CCN amendment by February 10, 2023.

II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

Under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.4(b), a party may request that the time allowed for the filing of any documents be extended for good cause. In its review of the application, Staff determined it needed additional information, so Staff will be filing requests for information (RFIs).¹ Staff needs time to review the answers of the RFIs before it can make its recommendation. Accordingly, Staff requests that Staff’s deadline to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and the CCN amendment be moved to February 17, 2023. Staff has conferred with counsel for Texas Water and is authorized to represent it is unopposed to the proposed extension.

¹ Staff filed RFIs on February 9, 2023, but after conferring with counsel for Texas Water, Staff has agreed to withdraw the February 9, 2023 RFIs and submit new RFIs.

III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff respectfully requests that Staff's deadline to request a hearing or file a recommendation on approval of the sale and the CCN amendment be moved to February 17, 2023.

Dated: February 10, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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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 February 10, 2023, in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

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