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APPLICATION OF CSWR-TEXAS	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC	§	
AND LINCECUMS WATER WELL	§	OF TEXAS
SERVICE FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR	§	
MERGER OF FACILITIES AND	§	
CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN BRAZORIA	§	
COUNTY	§	

#### COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON THE SUFFICIENCY OF NOTICE

#### I. INTRODUCTION

On August 31, 2022, CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC (CSWR-Texas) and Lincecums Water Well Service (Lincecums) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Brazoria County under the provisions of Texas Water Code § 13.301 and 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.239. CSWR-Texas filed supplemental information on September 23, October 25, and December 2, 2022.

On November 29, 2022, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 3, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on the sufficiency of notice by January 23, 2023. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

#### II. RECOMMENDATION ON NOTICE

Staff has reviewed the proof of notice filed by CSWR-Texas and recommends that the notice is sufficient. Specifically, CSWR-Texas provided an affidavit of notice dated December 7, 2022 and signed by Aaron Silas, Director of Regulatory Operations of CSWR-Texas, that notice was provided on December 7, 2022, to its current customers, neighboring utilities, and affected parties, as well as the maps that were attached to the provided notice. CSWR-Texas also provided an affidavit of publication of notice dated December 15, 2022 and signed by Cindy Cornette, Classifieds Leader of *The Facts*, a newspaper of general circulation in Brazoria County, that publication notice was provided on December 7 and December 14, 2022. Therefore, Staff recommends that the notice provided by CSWR-Texas be deemed sufficient for further processing of this matter.

#### III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, Staff recommends that the notice be deemed sufficient and respectfully requests an order consistent with the foregoing recommendation.

Date: January 23, 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 January 23, 2023 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, filed in Project No. 50664.

<u>/s/ Margaux Fox</u>
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