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**APPLICATION OF QUADVEST, LP, TO § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
AMEND ITS CERTIFICATES OF §
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN § OF TEXAS
WALLER COUNTY §**

**JOINT MOTION TO SEVER AND ABATE, REQUEST TO RESTYLE THE DOCKET,
AND PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On September 8, 2022, Quadvest, L.P. (Quadvest) filed an application to amend its Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in Waller County. Quadvest holds water CCN No. 11612 and sewer CCN No. 20952. The requested service area consists of approximately 141 acres and zero existing connections. On January 17, 2024, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 15 continuing abatement of the proceeding and establishing a deadline of February 15, 2024, for Quadvest and the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) (collectively, the Parties) to file a status report or a request to lift the abatement.

I. MOTION TO SEVER AND ABATE

The Parties have determined that it is necessary to sever the application into two dockets, one addressing the requested water CCN amendment and the other addressing the requested sewer CCN amendment. Specifically, the substantive prerequisites to final approval are different for water CCN amendments and sewer CCN amendments, particularly regarding preliminary approvals that an applicant must obtain from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). In this proceeding, while Quadvest has received the necessary TCEQ approvals to proceed on the requested water CCN amendment, Quadvest has not received the necessary TCEQ approvals to proceed on the requested sewer CCN amendment. As such, the Parties respectfully request that the ALJ sever the application into two dockets, with this docket proceeding on the requested water CCN amendment and a new docket opened to consider the requested sewer CCN amendment. The parties note that the Commission has previously approved similar requests to sever under the same circumstances.¹

¹ See, e.g., *Application of Crystal Springs Water Company, Inc. to Amend its Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Montgomery County*, Docket No. 52440, Order No. 8 Severing Proceedings, Restyling

II. REQUEST TO RESTYLE

In accordance with the motion to sever the application into two dockets, the Parties request that this docket be restyled as *Application of Quadvest, L.P. to Amend its Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Waller County*, and that the new docket be styled as *Application of Quadvest, L.P. to Amend its Sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Waller County*.

III. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Further, due to the pending nature of the TCEQ approvals needed to proceed on the requested sewer CCN amendment, the Parties request that the new docket be abated until applicant has obtained the necessary TCEQ approvals. The Parties also request that the abatement of this docket be lifted.

In accordance with the recommendation for this docket to proceed on the requested water CCN amendment, the Parties propose the following procedural schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for Commission Staff to provide final maps, certificate, and tariffs (if applicable) to Quadvest for review and consent	March 19, 2024
Deadline for Quadvest to file its consent form with the Commission	March 29, 2024
Deadline for Commission Staff to request a hearing or file a final recommendation on the application	April 5, 2024
If no hearing is requested, deadline for the parties to file joint proposed findings of fact, including findings that address the factors in Texas Water Code § 13.246(c), and conclusions of law	April 12, 2024

Docket, and Establishing Procedural Schedule (July 21, 2022); *Application of Quadvest LP to Amend a Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Montgomery County*, Docket No. 51923, Order No. 20 Granting Motion to Sever, Restyling Docket, and Establishing Procedural Schedule (Nov. 1, 2022).

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, the Parties respectfully request the entry of an order consistent with above requests. The undersigned represents that this motion is submitted by Quadvest as a joint pleading with the consent of the Staff.

Dated: February 6, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify by my signature above 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 6, 2024, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.