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PASS-THROUGH WATER UTILITY TARIFF FILING

RIO CONCHO AVIATION, INC. (RCA)

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Rio Concho Aviation, Inc.

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#### EXPLANATION OF PASS-THROUGH TARIFF CHANGE

Implementation of Pass-Through Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (NTGCD) Water production fee increase effective January 1, 2022, as contained in the NTGCD Updated Pricing Policy shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. Copies of the full NTGCD orders establishing this water production fee increase can be found at [www.NTGCD.com](http://www.NTGCD.com).

Rio Concho Aviation, Inc. (RCA) current tariff contains a Pass-Through Provision for NTGCD rate increases as shown on page 2 of RCA's current tariff, included herewith, approved on June 29, 2022 by the Texas Public Utility Commission. Approval of this pass-through change is being requested in accordance with minor tariff changes approved by 16 Texas Administrative Code 24.25(b)2(E).

This tariff amendment is to obtain P.U.C. approval for the above mentioned NTGCD rate increase. RCA notes that this application includes a draft form of notice for approval from the P.U.C. before being sent to customers.

Please contact Barbie Brunson at the number listed above, or at

[Rioconchowater@gmail.com](mailto:Rioconchowater@gmail.com) with any questions regarding this application.

Rio Concho Aviation, Inc.

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## SECTION 1.0 – RATE SCHEDULE

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5/8" or 3/4"	<u>\$34.18</u>	<u>\$7.80 per 1,000 gallons</u>

Additional Pass-Through Fee – applies to all gallage used:

Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District fee of \$0.12 per 1,000 gallons to be added to Charges above.

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Cash X Check X Money Order X Credit card \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

THE UTILITY MAY REQUIRE EXACT CHANGE FOR PAYMENTS AND MAY REFUSE TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS MADE USING MORE THAN \$1.00 IN SMALL COINS. A WRITTEN RECEIPT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CASH PAYMENTS.

REGULATORY ASSESSMENT.....1.0%

PUC RULES REQUIRE THE UTILITY TO COLLECT A FEE OF ONE PERCENT OF THE RETAIL MONTHLY BILL AND TO REMIT THE FEE TO THE TCEQ.

Sections 1.02 – Miscellaneous Fee

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## WATER UTILITY TARIFF

Docket Number: 53494

Rio Concho Aviation, Inc.  
(Utility Name)

171 Aviator Drive  
(Business Address)

Fort Worth, Texas 76179  
(City, State, Zip Code)

(817) 233-1058  
(Area Code/Telephone)

This tariff is effective for utility operations under the following Certificate of Convenience and Necessity:

12835

This tariff is effective in the following counties:

Tarrant

This tariff is effective in the following cities or unincorporated towns (if any):

N/A

This tariff is effective in the following subdivisions or public water systems:

Rio Concho Aviation, Inc.: PWS ID #2200330

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SECTION 1.0 – RATE SCHEDULE (Continued)

RECONNECTION FEE

THE RECONNECT FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE SERVICE CAN BE RESTORED TO A CUSTOMER WHO HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS (OR OTHER REASONS LISTED UNDER SECTION 2.0 OF THIS TARIFF):

- a) Nonpayment of bill (Maximum \$25.00).....\$25.00
- b) Customer's request that service be disconnected .....\$25.00
- c) Other reasons listed under Section 2.0.....\$25.00

TRANSFER FEE .....\$15.00

THE TRANSFER FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR CHANGING AN ACCOUNT NAME AT THE SAME SERVICE LOCATION WHEN THE SERVICE IS NOT DISCONNECTED.

LATE CHARGE (EITHER \$5.00 OR 10% OF THE BILL) .....\$5.00

PUC RULES ALLOW A ONE-TIME PENALTY TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT BILLS. A LATE CHARGE MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO ANY BALANCE TO WHICH THE PENALTY WAS APPLIED IN A PREVIOUS BILLING.

RETURNED CHECK CHARGE .....\$25.00

RETURNED CHECK CHARGES MUST BE BASED ON THE UTILITY'S DOCUMENTABLE COST.

CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RESIDENTIAL (Maximum \$50).....\$50.00

COMMERCIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT ..... 1/6TH OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL BILL

GOVERNMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION AND COSTS SURCHARGE:

WHEN AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY TCEQ AND AFTER NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS, THE UTILITY MAY INCREASE RATES TO RECOVER INCREASED COSTS FOR INSPECTION FEES AND WATER TESTING. [16 TAC § 24.25(b)(2)(G)]

LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES:

REFER TO SECTION 3.0—EXTENSION POLICY FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND CHARGES WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SERVICE.

PURCHASED WATER AND/OR DISTRICT FEE PASS THROUGH CLAUSE:

Changes in fees imposed by any non-affiliated third-party water supplier or underground water district having jurisdiction over the Utility shall be passed through to only the water system(s) affected by the increase or fee as an adjustment to the water gallonage charge according to the following formula:

- AG =  $G + B/(1-L)$ , where
- AG = adjusted gallonage charge, rounded to the nearest one cent;
- G = approved gallonage charge (per 1,000 gallons);
- B = change in purchased water/district gallonage charge (per 1,000 gallons);
- L = system average line loss for preceding 12 months not to exceed 0.15

## WATER LOSS CALCULATIONS

Calendar Year 2021

<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons Pumped</u>	<u>Gallons Billed</u>	<u>Water Loss</u>	<u>% Water Loss</u>
January	488,100	475,410	12,690	.03
February	504,500	421,680	82,820	.16
March	551,800	364,350	187,450	.34
April	503,100	456,680	46,420	.09
May	421,800	379,250	42,550	.10
June	401,000	367,340	33,660	.08
July	383,100	348,920	34,180	.09
August	412,100	390,210	21,890	.05
September	537,600	511,690	25,910	.05
October	423,300	370,880	52,420	.12
November	452,200	401,430	50,770	.11
December	374,200	363,920	10,280	.03
	5452800	4851760	601040	<b>11 Total % of Loss</b>



## RATE CHANGE CALCULATIONS

CCN No. 12835

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Effective		RCA Current	PUC Approved
<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Gallonge Rate</u>	<u>Pass-Through Formula Calculations</u>
			$R-G/(1.00-L)$ <p>R=proposed pass-through rate, per 1,000 gal</p> <p>G=new gallonge charge by conservation district, per 1,000 gal</p> <p>L=actual line loss</p>

$$AG = G + (B/(1-L)), \text{ where}$$

AG = adjusted gallonge charge, rounded to the nearest one cent:

G = approved gallonge charge (per 1,000 gallons); \$7.80

B = purchased water/district gallonge charge (per 1,000 gallons); .155

L = system average line loss for preceding 12 months not to exceed 0.15

$$AG = \$7.80 + (0.155/(1-.11))$$

$$AG = \$7.80 + .174$$

$$AG = \$7.974$$

$$AG = \$7.97 \text{ rounded}$$

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**RIO CONCHO AVIATION, INC.**

221 WEST HILL DRIVE

ALEDO, TX 76008

817-233-1058

CCN No. 12835

September 23, 2022

**DRAFT NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE**

This rate change is due to the increase in water production fees established by the Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (NTGCD). The Legislation creating the NTGCD allows it to establish fees, rates, and charges and classifications of fees and rate payers, as necessary to enable the NTGCD to fulfill its purpose and regulatory obligations. RCA'S customers may go to the NTGCD website to see copies of the Orders adopted by the NTGCD establishing these water production fees, at [www.NTGCD.com](http://www.NTGCD.com).

This tariff change is being implemented in accordance with RCA'S Pass Through water production fee adjustment clause as contained in RCA'S Tx PUC approved water tariff to recognize increases in the water production fees established by the NTGCD. **This tariff change is being implemented in accordance with the minor tariff changes allowed by 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC)24.25. The cost to you as a result of this change will not exceed the cost charged to your utility.**

RCA collects and pays these water production fees to the NTGCD.

The proposed effective date will be effective with the January 25, 2023 billing cycle, for which Notices will be mailed on or before December 25,2022, and will be reflected on the utility bill mailed on or about January 27, 2023, for which payment will be due on or about February 20, 2023.

RCA'S tariff states that the NTGCD fees are passed through to customers as an adjustment to the gallonage charge. In accordance with the following formula:

$$R=G/(1-L)$$

R=New Pass Through Gallonage Rate per 1,000 gal. (For purposes of calculating the adjusted gallons charge, this R Factor is equivalent to the B factor that is presented in the "Purchased Water And/Or District Fee Pass Through Clause" in Rio Concho Aviation's existing tariff.)

G=Gallonage charge by NTGCD per 1,000 gal.

L=Actual Line Loss as a percentage

The January 1, 2022 NTGCD water production fee increase, which increases the NTGCD rate from \$0.125/1,000 gal to \$0.155/1,000 gal, results in the following new pass-through rate calculation using the above formula:

$$R=\$0.155/1,000 \text{ gal}/(1-.11)=/1,000 \text{ gal}$$

RCA receives \$7.80/1,000 gallons as approved by PUC Tx under Docket#53494. Accordingly, the new Adjusted Gallonage Rates including both RCA and NTGCD fees are as follows:

$$\text{Adjusted Gallonage Rate} = \$7.80/1,000 \text{ gal} + \$0.17/1,000 \text{ gal} = \$7.97/1,000 \text{ gal}$$

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# NORTHERN TRINITY

GROUNDWATER  
CONSERVATION  
DISTRICT

[www.ntgcd.com](http://www.ntgcd.com)

1100 Circle Drive, Suite 300  
817.249.2062 Voice

Fort Worth, TX 76119  
Fax 817.249.2918

August 16, 2021

Re: Notice of Water Use Fee Rate and Production Report and Fee Payment  
Submission Deadlines

Dear Water Well Owner or Operator:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the water production fee rates established by the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District ("District") for groundwater production from water wells located in Tarrant County as mandated by Rule 6.1 (c) of the District's Rules adopted December 17, 2018, amended May 20, 2020.

As you may already be aware, the District may not assess taxes, but instead is funded by a groundwater production fee in order to generate the revenue necessary to manage local groundwater resources. After consideration of its current expenditures and budget, the District's Board voted to increase the groundwater use fee rate to 15.5 cents per thousand gallons. This fee applies only to non-exempt groundwater production. What this means is that the fee for groundwater produced will be 15.5 cents per thousand gallons of groundwater produced, unless changed by the Board in the future. The Board voted to increase the current rate beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

Completed production reports including monthly meter reading logs and fees for groundwater produced between July 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021, at the applicable rate are due to the District no later than January 31, 2022. Completed production reports including monthly meter reading logs and fees for groundwater produced between January 1, 2022 and June 30, 2022, at the applicable fee rate for production within that six-month period, are due to the District no later than July 31, 2022. Water Production Reports may be found on the website at NTGCD.com.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the information provided in this letter or any matter that relates to the preservation and management of the groundwater resources of the Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, please do not hesitate to contact the District office at 817.249.2062.

Sincerely,

Bob Patterson  
General Manager  
Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District