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<b>APPLICATION OF ORANGE COUNTY</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION</b>
<b>WATER CONTROL &amp; IMPROVEMENT</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>DISTRICT NO. 1 AND WATER</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>OF TEXAS</b>
<b>NECESSITIES, INC. FOR SALE,</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>RIGHTS IN ORANGE COUNTY</b>	<b>§</b>	

**COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

On December 12, 2022, Orange County Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 (Orange County WCID No. 1) filed an application to amend Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) number 10115 in Orange County to reflect the acquisition of facilities and certificated service area from Water Necessities, Inc.'s CCN number 12243 in 1994. On February 28, 2023, Orange County WCID No. 1 filed a supplemental brief to amend the application for a sale, merger, or transfer of facilities. On May 17, 2023, Commission Staff filed on behalf of itself and Orange County WCID No. 1, a recommendation for processing this docket as the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights and requested the application be restyled accordingly.

On December 19, 2023, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 11, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice by February 1, 2024. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

**II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

Under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.4(b), a party may request that the time allowed for filing any documents be extended for good cause. Staff has communicated with the Applicants and can represent that Applicants are working in good faith to resolve an outstanding discrepancy in order to provide proper notice. Staff recommends that Applicants be ordered to file proof of notice by March 1, 2024, and that Staff be given a deadline of March 15, 2024, to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice.

### III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order extending Applicants' deadline to file proof of notice to March 1, 2024, and that Staff be given a deadline of March 15, 2024, to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice.

Dated: January 29, 2024

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 will be provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on January 29, 2024, in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, filed in Project No. 50664.

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