

Filing Receipt

Filing Date - 2024-03-15 08:51:07 AM

Control Number - 54464

Item Number - 33

DOCKET NO. 54464

§

§

ş

9999999

APPLICATION OF ORANGE COUNTY WATER CONTROL & IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (LEXINGTON) AND LEXINGTON WATER SYSTEMS FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF TEXAS

COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

I. INTRODUCTION

On December 12, 2022, Orange County Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 (Lexington) (Orange County WCID No. 1) filed an application to amend Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) number 10115 in Orange County. 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 June 30, 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 January 30, 2024, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 12, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice by March 15, 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 April 15, 2024, and that Staff be given a deadline of April 29, 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 April 15, 2024, and that Staff be given a deadline of April 29, 2024, to file a recommendation on sufficiency of notice.

Dated: March 15, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

Marisa Lopez Wagley Division Director

John York Harrison Senior Managing Attorney

/s/ Kevin Pierce

Kevin Pierce State Bar No. 24093879 1701 N. Congress Avenue P.O. Box 13326 Austin, Texas 78711-3480 (512) 936-7265 (512) 936-7268 (facsimile) Kevin.Pierce@puc.texas.gov

DOCKET NO. 54464

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 March 15, 2024, in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, filed in Project No. 50664.

<u>/s/ Kevin Pierce</u> Kevin Pierce