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APPLICATION OF TEXAS WATER UTILITIES, LP AND WOODLAND OAKS UTILITY LP FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE RIGHTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY	§ § § § § §	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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**COMMISSION STAFF’S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO
TEXAS WATER UTILITIES, LP
QUESTION NOS. STAFF 1-1 THROUGH STAFF 1-6**

Pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.144 of the Commission’s Procedural Rules, the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) requests that Texas Water Utilities, LP by and through its representative of record, provide the following information and answer the following questions under oath. The questions shall be answered in sufficient detail to fully present all of the relevant facts, within the time limit provided by the Presiding Officer or within 20 days if the Presiding Officer has not provided a time limit. Please copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. These questions are continuing in nature, and if there is a relevant change in circumstances, submit an amended answer, under oath, as a supplement to your original answer. State the name of the witness in this cause who will sponsor the answer to the question and can vouch for the truth of the answer.

Provide responses to the Requests for Information by filing with the Commission solely through the Interchange on the Commission’s website and provide notice, by email, to all other parties that the pleading or document has been filed with the Commission, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer pursuant to the Second Order Suspending Rules in Project No. 50664.

Dated: February 24, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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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 February 24, 2023 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, filed in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Margaux Fox
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DEFINITIONS

- 1) "SouthWest Water" refers to Southwest Water Company and any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf, including without limitation, attorneys, agents, advisors, investigators, representatives, employees, or other persons.

- 2) "Document" includes any written, recorded, or graphic matter, however produced or reproduced, including but not limited to correspondence, telegrams, contracts, agreements, notes in any form, memoranda, diaries, voice recording tapes, microfilms, pictures, computer media, work papers, calendars, minutes of meetings or other writings or graphic matter, including copies containing marginal notes or variations of any of the foregoing, now or previously in your possession. In the event any documents requested by this Request for Information have been transferred beyond your control, describe the circumstances under which the document was destroyed or transferred and provide an exact citation to the subject document. In the event that documents containing the exact information do not exist, but documents do exist which contain portions of the required information or which contain substantially similar information, then the definition of "documents" shall include the documents which do exist, and these documents will be provided.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.144(c)(2), Staff requests that answers to the requests for information be made under oath.
- 2) Please copy the question immediately above the answer to each question. State the name of the witness in this cause who will sponsor the answer to the question and can vouch for the truth of the answer.
- 3) These questions are continuing in nature, and if there is a relevant change in circumstances, submit an amended answer, under oath, as a supplement to your original answer.
- 4) Words used in the plural shall also be taken to mean and include the singular. Words used in the singular shall also be taken to mean and include the plural.
- 5) The present tense shall be construed to include the past tense, and the past tense shall be construed to include the present tense.
- 6) If any document is withheld under any claim of privilege, please furnish a list identifying each document for which a privilege is claimed, together with the following information: date, sender, recipients or copies, subject matter of the document, and the basis upon which such privilege is claimed.
- 7) Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.144(h)(4), if the response to any request is voluminous, please provide a detailed index of the voluminous material.
- 8) Staff requests that each item of information be made available as it is completed, rather than upon completion of all information requested.

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- Staff 1-1** Please provide an original copy of the service contracts executed by the utility valuation experts Zak Wright and Gregory E. Schieg.
- Staff 1-2** Please provide proof of payment to each utility valuation expert for the fees associated with their fair market valuation reports, including fees invoiced by the engineer. If full payment has not been made, please provide a status report.
- Staff 1-3** Please provide SouthWest Water Company's most recent audited financial statements.
- Staff 1-4** Please provide an affidavit from SouthWest Water containing a written guarantee indicating SouthWest Water is capable, available, and willing to fund the purchase price as well as temporary cash shortages and capital improvement costs for this docket and Docket Nos. 53215, 53472, 53920, 54171, and 54909.
- Staff 1-5** Please provide five year projected net income for Texas Water Utilities, LP as well as for this docket and dockets 54509, 54171, 53920, 53472, and 53215.
- Staff 1-6** Please provide five year projected capex improvements for this docket as well as dockets 54509, 54171, 53920, 53472, and 53215.