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APPLICATION OF ENVIRO-MANAGEMENT § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES § OF TEXAS

## STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE RATES

## TO THE HONORABLE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS:

Sheila D. Agnew dba Enviro-Management (Enviro-Management) filed a Class C Rate/Tariff Change Application (Rate Application) on February 24, 2023, and in support of this filing would respectfully show the following:

## I. STATEMENT OF JURISDICTION

The Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) has jurisdiction over this Rate Application pursuant to Chapter 13 of the Texas Water Code (TWC), and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.27. Pursuant to TWC §§ 13.002(4-d), Enviro-Management is a Class D water utility.

## II. FACTUAL STATEMENT

Enviro-Management is a privately owned public utility. Enviro-Management provides water service to approximately 400 customers (137 residential connections) in the Heritage Oaks Water System, located in Montgomery County.

Enviro-Management's previous rate change filing was approved in TCEQ Application No. 37694-R, *Water Rate/Tariff Change Application for Sheila D. Agnew dba Enviro-Management in Montgomery County*, with rates going into effect October 25, 2013.

This Rate Application was completed using the Class C Investor-Owned Utilities Water Instructions for Rate/Tariff Change Application issued by the Commission. The Rate Application is based on a test year ending on December 31, 2022, and supported by schedules and workpapers.

The tariff, schedules, and workpapers were filed on February 24, 2023, with Supplements (1-77) filed as Confidential on March 7, 2023. On March 27, 2023, Mr. Onyeneke found the application to be not administratively complete, and the notice insufficient. Enviro-Management filed its Supplemental Response to Order No. 2 (78-89) as Confidential on April 10, 2023. An Errata Notice was issued to Enviro-Management's customers to correctly reflect the Proposed Minimum Monthly Charge as \$53.23 with no water included. On June 7, 2023, Supplements (1-89) were refiled publicly on the interchange under Item No. 58.

## III. FILING OVERVIEW

In support of the Rate Application, Enviro-Management files this Statement of Intent to Change Rates, in addition to the Class C Rate Filing Package Schedules and Workpapers; Proposed Water Tariff; Affidavit attesting to the accuracy of the Application filed on February 24, 2023.

## REQUESTED RELIEF AND EFFECTIVE DATE

Enviro-Management based its proposed rates on a test year ending December 31, 2022, adjusted for known and measurable changes (Test Year), as defined by 16 TAC § 24.3(37). The operating costs in the Test Year are indicative of an ongoing level of costs to operate and maintain the facilities used and useful in providing water service. Enviro-Management's cost of service for the 2022 test year is \$130,620., with reasonable and allowable expenses for the water service under 16 TAC § 24.41(b). Enviro-Management seeks an increase in annual revenue of \$49,834, this is a 38% recovery.

The effective date of this increase will be at least 35 days after required notice in compliance with Commission rules at 16 TAC § 24.27(d)(1); However, the Commission has ordered proposed rates suspended pursuant to TWC § 13.1871(g) and 16 TAC §24.33(a)(2), or until an interim rate is requested and approved.

Enviro-Management is seeking to have the Commission determine its rate base amount during the review of its Rate Application.

## IV. PARTIES AFFECTED

The Rate Application affects retail water utility customers within a portion of the territory of Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 12625, which has been issued to Enviro-Management.

## V. DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE

Enviro-Management's designated representative for service of pleadings, orders, and other matters related to this Rate Application is:

Sheila D. Agnew dba Enviro-Management 2424 Sciaaca Road Spring, Texas 77373

## VI. RATE CASE EXPENSES

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 24.44, Enviro-Management seeks to recover all reasonable and necessary rate case expenses that it incurs in connection with this and related proceedings. Enviro-Management proposes to recover reasonable and necessary rate case expenses through a surcharge assessed over a 36-month period.

#### VII. NOTICE

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 24.27(d), Enviro-Management provided notice of its Rate Application to all customers of Enviro-Management affected by the rate change and to the Office of Public Utility Counsel. Notice was mailed as a bill insert to each affected customer. Enviro-Management provided notice on the Commission-approved form, and included instruction on how a ratepayer may file a protest or intervention. Enviro-Management provided proof of notice pursuant to Commission rule 16 TAC § 24.27(b)(5), which consisted of an affidavit attesting to the completion of notice.

## VIII. PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Enviro-Management requests that the Commission approve Enviro-Management's proposed tariff and the requested change in rates. Additionally, Enviro-Management requests all other and further relief, to which Enviro-Management may show itself to be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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