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APPLICATION OF CSWR-TEXAS	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY,	§	
LLC AND CIRCLE R RANCHETTES	§	OF TEXAS
PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION	§	
FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR MERGER	§	
OF FACILITIES AND CERTIFICATE	§	
RIGHTS IN TARRANT COUNTY	§	

ORDER NO. 6
FINDING NOTICE SUFFICIENT AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This Order addresses the sufficiency of notice for the April 18, 2023 application of CSWR-Texas Utility Operating Company, LLC and Circle R Ranchettes Property Owners Association for the sale, transfer, or merger of facilities and certificate rights in Tarrant County.

The applicants' proof of notice was filed on July 26, 2023, and included an affidavit of notice to current customers, neighboring utilities, and affected parties, a copy of the notice provided to all entities and persons, including attached maps, a list of all recipients to whom notice was provided, and an affidavit of notice to landowners indicating that there are no landowners owning tracts of land over 25 acres wholly or partly inside the requested CCN area. Notice was completed on July 21, 2023.

On August 25, 2023, Commission Staff filed a recommendation on the sufficiency of notice and proposed a procedural schedule.

Further, CSWR-Texas requested a good cause exception to the requirements of 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.11(e)(5)(A), regarding financial assurance. CSWR-Texas filed documentation demonstrating access to adequate cash funding for this application. CSWR-Texas' parent company has committed capital to pay for the capital improvements regarding this application and is capable, available, and willing to cover any temporary cash shortages and operating expense shortfalls in this proceeding. CSWR-Texas submitted audited financial statements containing a cash and cash equivalents balance sufficient to pay for the purchase price of Circle R, the remaining systems' purchase prices, Circle R's improvement cost, and the remaining systems' improvements costs. Commission Staff recommended the request for good cause exception be granted.

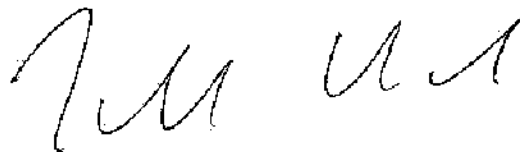
The administrative law judge finds the notice sufficient and adopts the following procedural schedule for continued processing of the application in this proceeding:

Event	Date
Notice complete	July 21, 2023
Deadline for intervention	August 20, 2023
Deadline for Commission Staff to request a hearing or file a recommendation on the approval of the sale	September 19, 2023
Deadline for parties to file a response to Commission Staff's recommendation on approval of sale	September 26, 2023
Deadline for parties to file a joint motion to admit evidence and proposed order approving sale and allowing transaction to proceed	October 10, 2023
120-day deadline for the Commission to approve the sale or require a hearing	November 20, 2023 ¹

The request for a good cause exception to the requirements of 16 TAC § 24.11(e)(5)(A) will be addressed in a future order.

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 29th day of August 2023.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS



**JEFFREY J. HUHN
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

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¹ The 120-day deadline falls on Saturday, November 18, 2023. Under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 22.4(a), the deadline moves to the next day the Commission is open for business, Monday, November 20, 2023.