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APPLICATION OF KERR COUNTY \$ PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION WATER SYSTEMS LLC FOR A CLASS \$ D RATE ADJUSTMENT \$ OF TEXAS

ORDER NO. 2 REQUIRING COMMISSION STAFF TO FILE A CORRECTED RECOMMENDATION, MEMO, NOTICE, AND DRAFT TARIFF OR PROVIDE CLARIFICATION

In this matter, Kerr County Water Systems LLC seeks a 5% Class D rate adjustment under it certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 13166. On August 7, 2023, Commission Staff filed an amended recommendation on administrative completeness and notice. The administrative law judge (ALJ) believes that the attachments to Commission Staff's amended recommendation all contain errors that require attention.

Kerr Water's rates were last set in Docket No. 53550 on June 22, 2022. In that case, the monthly minimum charge for a 4" meter was set at \$625.28. However, in the present case, the memo by James Onyeneke, the proposed notice, and proposed tariff all calculate the 5% increase off of a rate of \$624.28. Moreover, the calculations in the "Billing Comparison" section of the proposed notice appear to be wholly wrong. For example, by the ALJ's calculation, the "previous" bill for 5,000 gallons would be \$40.86, not \$25.01 as shown in the proposed notice.

By August 11, 2023, Commission Staff must either file a revised recommendation with corrected attachments or explain the apparent discrepancies.

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 8th day of August 2023.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

HUNTER BURKHALTER
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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Application of Kerr County Water Systems LLC for a Class D Rate Adjustment, Docket No. 55198, Notice of Approval (June 22, 2022).