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Application for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of a Retail Public Utility

Pursuant to Texas Water Code § 13.301 and 16 Texas Administrative Code § 24.239

Sale, Transfer, or Merger (STM) Application Instructions

- . **COMPLETE**: In order for the Commission to find the application sufficient for filing, the Applicant should:
 - Provide an answer to every question and submit any required attachment applicable to the STM request (i.e., agreements or contracts).
 - ii. Use attachments or additional pages to answer questions as necessary. If you use attachments or additional pages, reference their inclusion in the form.
 - iii. Provide all mapping information as detailed in Part G: Mapping & Affidavits.
- II. **FILE**: Seven (7) copies of the completed application with numbered attachments. One copy should be filed with no permanent binding, staples, tabs, or separators; and 7 copies of the portable electronic storage medium containing the digital mapping data.
 - i. <u>SEND TO</u>: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Attention: Filing Clerk, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326 (NOTE: Electronic documents may be sent in advance of the paper copy, however they will not be processed and added to the Commission's on-line Interchange until the paper copy is received and file-stamped in Central Records).
- III. The application will be assigned a docket number, and an administrative law judge (ALJ) will issue an order requiring Commission Staff to file a recommendation on whether the application is sufficient. The ALJ will issue an order after Staff's recommendation has been filed:
 - i. <u>DEFICIENT (Administratively Incomplete):</u> Applicants will be ordered to provide information to cure the deficiencies by a certain date, usually 30 days from ALJ's order. *Application is not accepted for filing*.
 - ii. <u>SUFFICIENT (Administratively Complete):</u> Applicants will be ordered by the ALJ to give appropriate notice of the application using the notice prepared by Commission Staff, *Application is accepted for filing*.
- IV. Once the Applicants issue notice, a copy of the actual notice sent and an affidavit attesting to notice should be filed in the docket assigned to the application. Recipients of notice may request a hearing on the merits.

<u>HEARING ON THE MERITS</u>: An affected party may request a hearing within 30 days of notice. In this event, the application may be referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) to complete this request.

- V. TRANSACTION TO PROCEED: at any time following the provision of notice, or prior to 120 days from the last date that proper notice was given, Commission Staff will file a recommendation for the transaction to proceed as proposed or recommend that the STM be referred to SOAH for further investigation. The Applicants will be required to file an <u>update in the docket to the ALJ every 30 days</u> following the approval of the transaction. The <u>transaction must be completed within six (6) months from the ALJ's order</u> (Note: The Applicants may request an extension to the 6 month provision for good cause).
- VI. FILE: Seven (7) copies of completed transaction documents and documentation addressing the transfer or disposition of any outstanding deposits. After receiving all required documents from the Applicants, the application will be granted a procedural schedule for final processing. The Applicants are requested to consent in writing to the proposed maps and certificates, or tariff if applicable.

VII. FINAL ORDER: The ALJ will issue a final order issuing or amending the applicable CCNs.

<u>FAO:</u>

Who can use this form?

Any retail public utility that provides water or wastewater service in Texas.

Who is required to use this form?

A retail public utility that is an investor owned utility (IOU) or a water supply corporation (WSC) prior to any STM of a water or sewer system, or utility, or prior to the transfer of a portion of a certificated service area.

Terms

Transferor: Seller Transferee: Purchaser

CCN: Certificate of Convenience and Necessity

<u>STM</u>: Sale, Transfer, or Merger <u>IOU</u>: Investor Owned Utility

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CCN No.s	11872					
×	Sale	Transfer	Merger	Consolidation	Lease/Rental	
Transferee	SP Utility	y Company, Inc				
(acquiring entity						
CCN No.s	12978					
	Water	Sewer	X AIL CCN	Portion CCN	Facilities transfer	
County(ies)	: Harris					
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Contract, Le		e, or Sale Agreement		Question 1 Question 4		
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	Part A: General Information								
1.	Describe the proposed transaction, including the effect on all CCNs involved, and provide details on the existing or expected land use in the area affected by the proposed transaction. Attach all supporting documentation, such as a contract, a lease, or proposed purchase agreements:								
	Municipal Operations, LLC CCN 11872 transferor, does sell in its entirety to SP Utility Company, Inc. CNNs 12978 transferee, all land, equipment and assets of Municipal Operations, LLC.								
2.	The proposed transaction will require (check all applicable):								
	For Transferee (Purchaser) CCN: For Transferor (Seller) CCN:								
	Obtaining a NEW CCN for Purchaser								
	Transfer all CCN into Purchaser's CCN (Merger) Transfer of a Portion of Seller's CCN to Purchaser								
	Transfer Portion of CCN into Purchaser's CCN Only Transfer of Facilities, No CCN or Customers								
	Transfer all CCN to Purchaser and retain Seller CCN Only Transfer of Customers, No CCN or Facilities								
	☐ Uncertificated area added to Purchaser's CCN ☐ Only Transfer CCN Area, No Customers or Facilities								
	Part B: Transferor Information								
	Questions 3 through 5 apply only to the transferor (current service provider or seller)								
3.	A. Name: Municipal Operations, LLC								
	(individual, corporation, or other legal entity)								
	✓ Individual								
	B. Mailing Address: 410 Noonday Lane Houston, TX 77060								
	Phone: (713) 937-1959 Email:								
	C. Contact Person. Please provide information about the person to be contacted regarding this application. Indicate if this person is the owner, operator, engineer, attorney, accountant, or other title.								
	Name: Lonnie Wright Title: Owner								
	Mailing Address: PO Box 40526 Houston, TX 77240								
	Phone: (713) 937-1959 Email:								
4.	If the utility to be transferred is an Investor Owned Utility (IOU), for the most recent rate change, attach a copy of the								
-T-E-1	current tariff and complete A through B:								
	A. Effective date for most recent rates: June 19, 2015								
	B. Was notice of this increase provided to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) or a predecessor regulatory authority?								
	No Yes Application or Docket Number: 42853								
	If the transferor is a Water Supply or Sewer Service Corporation, provide a copy of the current tariff.								

5.	For the customers that will be transferred following the approval of the proposed transaction, check all that apply:	
	There are <u>no</u> customers that will be transferred	
	# of customers without deposits held by the transferor 37	
	# of customers with deposits held by the transferor*	
	*Attach a list of all customers affected by the proposed transaction that have deposits held, and include a customer indicator (name or account number), date of each deposit, amount of each deposit, and any unpaid interest on each deposit.	
	Part C: Transferee Information	
	Questions 6 through 10 apply only to the transferee (purchaser or proposed service provider)	
6.	A. Name: SP Utility Company, Inc	
	individual (individual, corporation, or other legal entity) Individual Corporation WSC Other:	
	B. Mailing Address: PO BOX 690521 HOUSTON TX 77269 - 521	
	Phone: (713) 651-0220 Email: harrison.ftu@gmail.com	
	C. <u>Contact Person</u> . Provide information about the person to be contacted regarding this application. Indicate if this person is the owner, operator, engineer, attorney, accountant, or other title.	
	Name: Harrison Williams Title: President	
	Address: PO Box 690521 Houston, TX 77269	
	Phone: (832) 534-8545	
	D. If the transferee is someone other than a municipality, is the transferee current on the Regulatory Assessment Fees (RAF) with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)?	
	□ No ☑ Yes □ N/A	
	E. If the transferee is an IOU, is the transferee current on the Annual Report filings with the Commission?	
	□ No ☑ Yes □ N/A	
7.	The legal status of the transferee is:	
	Individual or sole proprietorship	
	Partnership or limited partnership (attach Partnership agreement)	
×	Corporation	
	Charter number (as recorded with the Texas Secretary of State): 800200690	
	Non-profit, member-owned, member controlled Cooperative Corporation [Article 1434(a) Water Supply or Sewer Service Corporation, incorporated under TWC Chapter 67] Charter number (as recorded with the Texas Secretary of State): Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws established (attach)	
Γ	Municipally-owned utility	
_	District (MUD, SUD, WCID, FWSD, etc.)	
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County	y	
Affecte	ed County (a county to which Subchapter B	, Chapter 232, Local Government Code, applies)
Other ((please explain):	
8. If the tra	ransferee operates under any d/b/a, provide	the name halour
	•	the name below.
Name:	N/A	
member	ransferee's legal status is anything other tha ers, or partners of the legal entity applying for Harrison Williams	
Position:		
Address:		
Phone:		Email:
Name:		
Position:		Ownership % (if applicable); 0.00%
Address:		
Phone:		Email:
Name:		
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10. Financial Information

The transferee Applicant must provide accounting information typically included within a balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows. If the Applicant is an existing retail public utility, this must include historical financial information and projected financial information. However, projected financial information is only required if the Applicant proposes new service connections and new investment in plant, or if requested by Staff. If the Applicant is a new market entrant and does not have its own historical balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows information, then the Applicant should establish a five-year projection taking the historical information of the transferor Applicant into consideration when establishing the projections.

Historical Financial Information may be shown by providing any combination of the following that includes necessary information found in a balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows:

- 1. Completed Appendix A;
- 2. Documentation that includes all of the information required in Appendix A in a concise format; or
- 3. Audited financial statements issued within 18 months of the application filing date. This may be provided electronically by providing a uniform resource locator (URL) or a link to a website portal.

	<u>Pr</u>	ojected Financial Information may be shown by providing any of the following:
		1. Completed Appendix B;
		2. Documentation that includes all of the information required in Appendix B in a concise format;
		3. A detailed budget or capital improvement plan, which indicates sources and uses of funds required, including
		improvements to the system being transferred; or
		4. A recent budget and capital improvements plan that includes information needed for analysis of the operations
		test (16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.11(e)(3)) for the system being transferred and any operations combined with the
		system. This may be provided electronically by providing a uniform resource locator (URL) or a link to a website
		portal.
		Part D: Proposed Transaction Details
11.	Α.	Proposed Purchase Price: \$
		e transferee Applicant is an investor owned utility (IOU) provide answers to B through D.
	В.	
	D.	Transferee has a copy of an inventory list of assets to be transferred (attach):
		No Yes N/A Confidential
		Total Original Cost of Plant in Service: \$ 0.00
		Accumulated Depreciation: \$ 0.00
		Net Book Value: \$ 0.00
	C.	<u>Customer contributions in aid of construction (CIAC):</u> Have the customers been billed for any surcharges approved by the Commission or TCEQ to fund any assets currently used and useful in providing utility service? Identify which assets were funded, or are being funded, by surcharges on the list of assets.
		No Yes
		Total Customer CIAC: \$ Accumulated Amortization: \$
	D.	<u>Developer CIAC:</u> Did the transferor receive any developer contributions to pay for the assets proposed to be transferred in this application? If so, identify which assets were funded by developer contributions on the list of assets and provide any applicable developer agreements.
		No Yes
		Total developer CIAC: \$ Accumulated Amortization: \$
12.	A.	Are any improvements or construction required to meet the minimum requirements of the TCEQ or Commission and to ensure continuous and adequate service to the requested area to be transferred plus any area currently certificated to the transferree Applicant? Attach supporting documentation and any necessary TCEQ approvals, if applicable.
		X No Yes

	N/A	•			
•	Pro	vide any other information concerning the nature	of the transa	ction you believe shoul	d be given consideration:
	Nor	ne			
	acq	nplete the following proposed entries (listed bel uisition. Debits (positive numbers) should equal of b. Additional entries may be made; the following a	credits (nega	tive numbers) so that a	ll line items added together e
		Utility Plant in Service:	\$	0.00	
		Accumulated Depreciation of Plant:	\$	0.00	
		Cash:	\$	0.00	Confidential
		Notes Payable:	\$	0.00	
		Mortgage Payable:	\$	0.00	
		(Proposed) Acquisition Adjustment*:	\$	0.00	et to review under 16 TAC § 24.41(d) :
		Other (NARUC account name & No.):		ition Adjustments will be subje	
		Other (NARUC account name & No.):			
	A. No p	Explain any proposed billing change (NOTE: If charged to the customers through this STM approbange application.) proposed billing changes			
	В.	If transferee is an IOU, state whether or not the municipal regulatory authority, an application to			

	Part E: CCN Obtain or Amend Criteria Considerations
16.	Describe, in detail, the anticipated impact or changes in the quality of retail public utility service in the requested area as a result of the proposed transaction:
	The quality of service is expected to improve as a result of the water utility being under the ownership and operation of a full-time professional with 20 years of experience of owning and operating Investor Owned Public Water and Wastewater Utilities.
17.	Describe the transferee's experience and qualifications in providing continuous and adequate service. This should include, but is not limited to: other CCN numbers, water and wastewater systems details, and any corresponding compliance history for all operations.
	Harrison Williams has over 20 years experience ng and operating Investor Owned Public Water and Wastewater Utilities. SP Utilities has 2 CCN 12978 & 20817. SP Utiliy has no outstanding compliance violation. The last compliance violation was in 2010 and was corrected. DOCKET NO.:2010-0301-PWS-ETCEQ ID:RN103779039CASE NO.:3920
18.	Has the transferee been under an enforcement action by the Commission, TCEQ, Texas Department of Health (TDH), the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), or the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the past five (5) years for non-compliance with rules, orders, or state statutes? Attach copies of any correspondence with the applicable regulatory agency(ies) No Yes
19.	Explain how the environmental integrity or the land will be impacted or disrupted as a result of the proposed transaction:
	The environmental integrity will not be impacted or disrupted becasue these is no new construction or any chnages that will impact the land.
20.	How will the proposed transaction serve the public interest?
	The public interest will be served by the delivery of imporved service with professional management of the water utilities.
21.	List all neighboring water or sewer utilities, cities, districts (including ground water conservation districts), counties, or other political subdivisions (including river authorities) providing the same service within two (2) miles from the outer boundary of the requested area affected by the proposed transaction:
	12288 Seller Water Company, 21065 Aqua Texas Inc, 13305 Stonetown Royal Coach Utilities LLC, 12544 Greenwood Place Civic Club, N0062 Aldine ISD, 20701 West Rd WSC, 10865 Imperial Valley MUD, 11389 Southern Water Corp, 10963 & 20722 Blue Bell Manor Utility Co, Inc.

		Part F: TCEQ Public	Water System or Sev	wer (Wastewa	ater) Information	
C		ete Part F for <u>EACH</u> Public Wate th a separate sheet with this infor					
22.	A.	For Public Water System (PWS)	:				
		TCEQ P	WS Identification Num	ıber:	1010218		(7 digit II)
			Name of P	WS:	SWEA Gar	dens Estates Uttility, Inc.	
		Date of last TC	EQ compliance inspec	tion:	December	14, 2018	(attach TCEQ letter)
			Subdivisions ser	ved:	SWEA Gar	den Estates	
	В.	For Sewer service:					
		TCEQ Water Quality (WQ)	Discharge Permit Num	ıber:	WQ	_	(8 digit ID)
			me of Wastewater Faci				
		Date of last TC	EQ compliance inspec				(attach TCEQ letter)
		Date of application to transfer					
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23.		the number of existing connections	, by meter/connection i	type,		eted by the proposed	transaction:
	Wat	er Non-metered	2"		Sewer	Residential	
	44		3"			Commercial	
		1"	4"]	Industrial	
		1 1/2"	Other			Other	
		Total Water Connections		44	Tot	al Sewer Connection	1S:
24.	A. B.	Are any improvements required No Yes Provide details on each required Commission standards (attach at	major capital improver	ment i	necessary	to correct deficienc	ies to meet the TCEQ or
		Description of the Capital Ir	nprovement:	Es	timated (Completion Date:	Estimated Cost:
		C. Is there a moratorium on No Yes:	new connections?				
25.	Does	the system being transferred opera	te within the corporate	boun	daries of	a municipality?	
		No Yes:					(name of municipality)
			If yes, indicate the nur	mber	of custom	ners within the munic	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *

26.	A.	Does the	system being tran	nsferred p	urchase water or	sewer treatment capac	city from another s	source?
		☐ No	Yes:	If yes, atta	ach a copy of pu	rchase agreement or co	ontract.	
	Car	pacity is purchased	from: City o	of Houston				
	Cur	nerty is paremaset			4.00 118 11			
			V	Vater:	1.32 million gallons			
			S	Sewer:				
	B.	Is the PW	VS required to pur	rchase wat	ter to meet capac	eity requirements or dr	inking water stand	lards?
		No No	X Yes					
	C.					ent purchased, per the water or sewer treatm		ract? What is
		[Amount	t in Gallons	Percent of de	emand	
		-	Water:	1,32	20,000.00	100.00%		
		L	Sewer:			0.00%		
	D.	Will the	purchase agreeme	ent or cont	ract be transferre	ed to the Transferee?		
		☐ No	X Yes:					
28.	area?	☐ No	X Yes:			meet the current and p		
		Name (as it app	ears on license)	Class	License No.		Water or Se	wer
	James W	filliams		В		WG 0014737	Water	
		o Ontiveros		С		WG00107862	Water	
	Abel Rey	ma		С		WG0012760	Water	
				Part G: N	Vapping & Affi	davits		
	<u> </u>					in conjunction with tion is required for yo		ion.
29.	A.	For applications mapping informa			· ·	ut a CCN boundary ade application:	ljustment, provide	the following
						g the requested area in see should be adhered to		nearest county
		i			equests to transf t be provided for	er certificated service cach.	areas for both wa	ter and sewer,
		i	i. A hand	drawn ma	-	diagram of the reque	sted area is not	considered an

- To maintain the integrity of the scale and quality of the map, copies must be exact duplicates of the original map. Therefore, copies of maps cannot be reduced or enlarged from the original map, or in black and white if the original map is in color.
- 2. A detailed (large scale) map identifying the requested area in reference to verifiable man-made and natural landmarks such as roads, rivers, and railroads. The Applicant should adhere to the following guidance:
 - i. The map must be clearly labeled and the outer boundary of the requested area should be marked in reference to the verifiable man-made or natural landmarks. These verifiable man-made or natural landmarks must be labeled and marked on the map as well.
 - ii. If the application requests an amendment for both water and sewer certificated service area, separate maps need to be provided for each.
 - To maintain the integrity of the scale and quality of the map, copies must be exact duplicates of the original map. Therefore, copies of maps cannot be reduced or enlarged from the original map, or in black and white if the original map is in color.
 - iv. The outer boundary of the requested area should not be covered by any labels, roads, city limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) boundaries.
- **B.** For applications that are requesting to include area not currently within a CCN, or for applications that require a CCN amendment (any change in a CCN boundary), such as the transfer of only a portion of a certificated service area, provide the following mapping information with each of the seven (7) copies of the application:
 - 1. A general location (small scale) map identifying the requested area with enough detail to locate the requested area in reference to the nearest county boundary, city, or town. Please refer to the mapping guidance in part A 1 (above).
 - 2. A detailed (large scale) map identifying the requested area with enough detail to accurately locate the requested area in reference to verifiable man-made or natural landmarks such as roads, rivers, or railroads. Please refer to the mapping guidance in part A 2 (above).
 - 3. One of the following identifying the requested area:
 - i. A metes and bounds survey sealed or embossed by either a licensed state land surveyor or a registered professional land surveyor. Please refer to the mapping guidance in part A 2 (above);
 - ii. A recorded plat. If the plat does not provide sufficient detail, Staff may request additional mapping information. Please refer to the mapping guidance in part A 2 (above); or
 - iii. Digital mapping data in a shapefile (SHP) format georeferenced in either NAD 83 Texas State Plane Coordinate System (US Feet) or in NAD 83 Texas Statewide Mapping System (Meters). The digital mapping data shall include a single, continuous polygon record. The following guidance should be adhered to:
 - a. The digital mapping data must correspond to the same requested area as shown on the general location and detailed maps. The requested area must be clearly labeled as either the water or sewer requested area.
 - b. A shapefile should include six files (.dbf, .shp, .shx, .sbx, .sbn, and the projection (.prj) file).
 - c. The digital mapping data shall be filed on a data disk (CD or USB drive), clearly labeled, and filed with Central Records. Seven (7) copies of the digital mapping data is also required.

	Part H: Notice Information
	The following information will be used to generate the proposed notice for the application. DO NOT provide notice of the application until it is found sufficient and the Applicants are ordered to provide notice.
30.	Complete the following using verifiable man-made or natural landmarks such as roads, rivers, or railroads to describe the requested area (to be stated in the notice documents). Measurements should be approximated from the outermost boundary of the requested area:
	The total acreage of the requested area is approximately: 12.62
	Number of customer connections in the requested area: 37
	Affected subdivision: SWEA Garden Estates
	The closest city or town: Houston
	Approximate mileage to closest city or town center: Houston surrounds PWS
	Direction to closest city or town: Houston surrounds PWS
	The requested area is generally bounded on the North by: Aldine Bender
	on the East by: Old Creek Rd
	on the South by: West Road
	on the West by: Lilija Rd
31.	A copy of the proposed map will be available at: SP Utility
32.	What effect will the proposed transaction have on an average bill to be charged to the affected customers? Take into consideration the average consumption of the requested area, as well as any other factors that would increase or decrease a customer's monthly bill.
	All of the customers will be charged the same rates they were charged before the transaction.
	All of the customers will be charged different rates than they were charged before the transaction.
	higher monthly bill lower monthly bill
	Some customers will be charged different rates than they were charged before (i.e. inside city limit customers)
	higher monthly bill lower monthly bill

Oath for Transferor (Transferring Entity) STATE OF Texas COUNTY OF Harris l, being duly sworn, file this application for sale, Lonnie Wright merger, consolidation, acquisition, lease, or Owner rental, as (owner, member of partnership, title as officer of corporation, or authorized representative) I attest that, in such capacity, I am qualified and authorized to file and verify such application, am personally familiar with the documents filed with this application, and have complied with all the requirements contained in the application; and, that all such statements made and matters set forth therein with respect to Applicant are true and correct. Statements about other parties are made on information and belief. I further state that the application is made in good faith and that this application does not duplicate any filing presently before the Commission. I further state that I have been provided with a copy of the 16 TAC § 24,239 Commission rules. I am also authorized to agree and do agree to be bound by and comply with any outstanding enforcement orders of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the Public Utility Commission of Texas or the Attorney General which have been issued to the system or facilities being acquired and recognize that I will be subject to administrative penalties or other enforcement actions if I do not comply. AFFIANT (Utility's Authorized Representative) If the Affiant to this form is any person other than the sole owner, partner, officer of the Applicant, or its attorney, a properly verified Power of Attorney must be enclosed. SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for the State of Texas this day the 10 of MAY, 2023SEAL KEITH ARRANT otary ID #1321873

ly Commission Expires September 25, 2023

> NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

My commission expires:

September 25, 2023

Oath for Transferee (Acquiring Entity)
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BYTHOUA
I, HAVISON WILLIAMS being duly sworn, file this application for sale, transfer, merger, consolidation, acquisition, lease, or rental, as
I attest that, in such capacity, I am qualified and authorized to file and verify such application, am personally familiar with the documents filed with this application, and have complied with all the requirements contained in the application; and, that all such statements made and matters set forth therein with respect to Applicant are true and correct. Statements about other parties are made on information and belief. I further state that the application is made in good faith and that this application does not duplicate any filing presently before the Commission.
I further state that I have been provided with a copy of the 16 TAC § 24.239 Commission rules. I am also authorized to agree and do agree to be bound by and comply with any outstanding enforcement orders of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the Public Utility Commission of Texas or the Attorney General which have been issued to the system or facilities being acquired and recognize that I will be subject to administrative penalties or other enforcement actions if I do not comply.
AFFIANT
(Utility's Authorized Representative) If the Affiant to this form is any person other than the sole owner, partner, officer of the Applicant, or its attorney, a properly verified Power of Attorney must be enclosed.
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for the State of Texas this day the
MARY JONES Solution Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 09-29-2027 Notary 1D 128663080
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND GOR THE
MARY JONES
PRINTOR TYPE NAME OF NOTARY My commission expires: 79777

WORK EXPERIENCE

Flow-Tech Utility

3/2013 - Current

President/General Manager

- Formulate and implement departmental goals, procedures and operating policies
- Insuring productivity levels are maintained through effective monitoring
- Conduct job site inspections and evaluations to assure compliance to permits and safety guidelines.
- · Review completed work
- Communicate complex customer complaints and issues
- Conduct training sessions to keep employees updated on new systems that are implemented and to review normal operating procedures.
- Manage office and field personnel
- Currently operate, maintain 26 wastewater treatment facilities, 62 water treatment facilities and conduct billing for 9 water and wastewater systems including Manyel Terrace Subdivision.

Severn Trent Services

12/2009-3/2013

Operations- Assistant Area Manager

- · Formulate and implement departmental goals, procedures and operating policies
- Insuring productivity levels are maintained through effective monitoring of SCADA and Hansen systems.
- Conduct job site inspections and evaluations to assure compliance to permits and safety guidelines.
- Review completed work
- Communicate complex customer complaints and issues
- Conduct training sessions to keep employees updated on new systems that are implemented and to review normal operating procedures

Severn Trent Services

8/2006 - 12/2009

Operations- Lead Facilities operator/ Field supervisor

- Operate multiple wastewater plants, off site lift stations and water plants remotely
- Reduced the volume of solids being removed from facilities, saving M.U.D. districts 40% of their budgeted amount for solids removal
- Engaged in the emergency repair and maintenance of treatment equipment
- · Operation and monitoring of SCADA systems for water and wastewater systems
- Trained employees on team work, scada systems, proper plant operations and schematics, repair and installation techniques and safe work practices
- Communicate with client and customers related to routine technical aspects of operations
- Managed personnel in facilities (19)
- Responds to call outs and after hours emergencies
- Diagnosing control problems individually and as a team.

Severn Trent Services

9/2004 - 7/2006

- Plant Operator II
- Monitor the performance of all plant equipment, gauges and charts in the treatment plant and pump stations
- · Operated multiple wastewater treatment plants, lift stations and ground water treatment facilities
- Managed solids in wastewater plants to keep effluent at highest quality
- Conducts routine sampling and field testing of water and wastewater
- · Compiles data for chemical use and keeps records on equipment and plant operations
- Performed routine maintenance, monitoring and samples on all water wells
- Responded to call outs and after hours emergencies

• Severn Trent Services

2/2004 - 9/2004

- Field Technician II
- · Repaired minor leaks
- Completed tasks of district customers
- Operate and maintain valves, fire hydrants and collection systems.
- Repair and replace meters, gaskets and other equipment as needed
- Assist crews in making major repairs to collection systems and water systems
- On call 24 hours a day to assist with any issues

City Of Houston

2/2002 - 2/2004

- Plant Operator Trainee
- Assist Senior Operators in the operation and maintenance of the surface water plant
- Monitor several facilities via SCADA
- Check pump and motors operation
- Run lab tests on the quality of water
- Check proper dosages of chemicals in water
- · Clean and maintain water plant as needed
- · Operated sludge dewatering facility

EDUCATION

University of Houston-Downtown, Houston TX

9/2008 -2010

Lone Star College, Cypress TX

9/2006 - 12/2008

LICENSES

Class B wastewater license Class B groundwater license

SWEA Garden Estates Water Customer List

ACCOUNT NUMBER	NAME	SERVICE ADDRESS	STATUS
1-01-02010-00	HUGO TORRES	458 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02013-00	ALDO ROMERO	454 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02015-00	VICTOR M. ROMERO	450 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02020-00	EXAR VALLERY	446 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02025-00	SARA RODRIGUEZ	442 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02045-01	RESENDEZ, CARLOS	426 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02050-01	MARTINEZ, ROMELIA	422 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02055-01	NAVARRETE, BERTIN	418 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02060-01	RAMRAJ, ASHA	414 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02075-01	SANDOVAL, MICAELA	403 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02080-00	JOSE FIDENCIO SANDOVAL	407 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02085-00	ANABEL FLORES	411 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02090-00	WINSTON WALTERS	415 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02095-00	TOM WARD	419 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02100-00	ALEJANDRO MAGRO	423 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02105-01	CANTU, RICARDO	427 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02115-00	CONSTANTINO CORONEL	447 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02120-00	DESIREE RIOS	455 NOONDAY	REGULAR
1-01-02125-00	CLEO GARRETT	15035 LILLJA RD	REGULAR
1-01-02130-01	SANMIGUEL, CRISTINA	15039 LILLJA RD	REGULAR
1-01-02135-00	MARC ABREGO	15043 LILLJA RD	REGULAR
1-01-02155-00	ELISEO SOLIS	438 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02160-00	CESAREO GALLARDO	434 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02165-00	SOTO, ALEXANDRA	430 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02170-00	ANNGELINA GUZMAN	418 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02175-03	TORRES, JUAN	410 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02180-00	MARCO J SANCHEZ	406 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02185-01	SANCHEZ, MARCO	402 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02190-00	CELESTINO PARRA	403 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02205-00	SAUL TORRES	411 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02210-04	REYES, ANGEL ZUNIGA	415 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02220-00	RAYMUNDA MENDOZA ELIAS	423 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02225-00	DAVID VILLARIN	427 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02230-02	COLEMAN, JEFFREY	431 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02235-00	LORA DICKINSON	435 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02250-00	JAMES L MATTHEW	445 HUMMINGBIRD	REGULAR
1-01-02262-00	IRELDA TRUJILLO	15119 LILLJA RD	REGULAR

ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

between

MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS, LLC

and

SP UTILITY CO, INC.

THIS ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") executed as of this the day of JUNE, 2023, (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"), is by and between Municipal Operations, LLC, owner of the Public Water Supply ("<u>PWS</u>") (referred to herein as "<u>Seller</u>"), and SP UTILITY CO, INC. (referred to herein as "<u>Purchaser</u>"). The Purchaser and Seller may be referred to individually as a "<u>Party</u>" and collectively as the "<u>Parties</u>."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Seller operates a potable water supply system located 410 Noonday LN, Houston, TX 77060, Harris County identified with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("<u>PUCT</u>") under its Water Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("<u>CCN</u>") number 11872, Public Water Supply ("<u>PWS</u>") number 1010218, (all together, the "<u>Water System</u>");

WHEREAS, Purchaser desires to purchase from Seller, and Seller desires to sell to Purchaser, all of Seller's assets that it utilizes in the Water System on the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Parties acknowledge and agree that Seller gave notice to Purchaser of the requirements of Section 13.301(k) of the Texas Water Code before either Party executed this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises and the respective representations, warranties, agreements and conditions herein set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

1.1 As used in this Agreement:

- (a) "Acquired Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.
- (b) "Final Order Date" means the date on which the PUCT Final Order becomes final and non-appealable in all respects.
- (c) "Person" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization, any other business entity or a governmental authority.
- (d) "Water System" has the meaning set forth in the first recital of this Agreement.

- (e) "TCEQ" means the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality or its successor.
- (f) "PUCT" means the Public Utility Commission of Texas or its successor.
- (g) "STM Application" means an "Application for Sale, Transfer or Merger of a Retail Public Utility" that is required to be filed with the PUCT in connection with the sale and transfer of the Water System from Seller to Purchaser and the assignment to Purchaser of Seller's CCN service area.
- (h) "PUCT Final Order" means the final order issued by the PUCT after approval of the STM Application authorizing the transfer of the Water System from Seller to the Purchaser and the assignment to Purchaser of Seller's CCN service area.

ARTICLE II SALE OF ASSETS AND ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITIES

- 2.1 <u>Sale of Assets</u>. At the Closing, Seller shall sell and transfer to Purchaser, and Purchaser shall accept from Seller, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and adverse claims of any kind, except as may otherwise be expressly set forth herein, all right, title and interest in and to the assets used by or for the benefit of the Seller in connection with the operation of the Water System (collectively, the "<u>Acquired Assets</u>"), which assets include the following:
 - (a) all of the real property set forth on **Schedule 2.1(a)** (the "**Owned Real Property**");
 - (b) all of Seller's personal property, equipment and fixtures used by Seller in the operation of the Water System, including, but not limited to, that property described on **Schedule 2.1(b)**, **subject to the following:**
 - (i) Seller shall provide to Purchaser copies of all of Seller's records regarding the operation and maintenance of the water company and Water System, including electronic records;
 - (2) Seller shall provide to Purchaser the hard copy version of all other of Seller's records regarding the operation and maintenance of the water company and Water System, unless declined by Purchaser.
 - (3) Purchaser shall retain copies of the hard copy version of records pertaining to the Acquired Assets or Water System obtained by Purchaser from Seller prior to the Closing Date and such records shall be made available for review and copying by Seller upon reasonable request and notice until the Closing Date; and
 - (4) No other personal property located within the confines of Seller's office shall convey, unless specifically listed on Schedule 2.1(b); and
 - (5) Purchaser shall not be liable to Seller, its agents or assigns, for the unintentional loss, damage, or destruction of any records provided to Purchaser from Seller in accordance with this Section 2.1(b).
 - (d) all of Seller's rights of recovery under any insurance policies or otherwise existing under law or in equity regarding damages or losses relating to the Water System,

except that Seller shall first receive from such proceeds reimbursement for actual expenses incurred and paid or incurred by Seller prior to Closing, if covered under the policy, after allowing for the policy's threshold deductible;

- (e) all rights to surface water and groundwater related to, and used by, the Water System;
- (f) all historical groundwater production rights associated with the wells on the Owned Real Property, the wells used by or for the benefit of the Water System, and any production credit associated with the lands served by such wells.
- 2.2 <u>Condition and Suitability</u>. Except as stated herein, the assets to be conveyed by Seller to Purchaser in Section 2.1 shall be conveyed "Where Is, As Is" as of the date of Closing. Without limiting the foregoing, Seller shall make a general warranty of title to all of the Acquired Assets, and as a material part of this Agreement, the Parties agree as follows:

EXCEPT FOR ANY WARRANTY AS TO TITLE CONTAINED IN THE DEED TO BE DELIVERED BY SELLER TO PURCHASER AND THE WARRANTIES EXPRESSLY MADE IN THIS ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT, SELLER HEREBY DISCLAIMS AND PURCHASER HEREBY WAIVES, ANY AND ALL OTHER WARRANTIES OF ANY NATURE, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, REGARDING THE ACQUIRED ASSETS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY AND ALL OTHER WARRANTIES RELATED TO THE CONDITION, CONSTRUCTION, FITNESS, HABITABILITY, SAFETY, PROFITABILITY AND/OR MERCHANTABILITY, OF THE PROPERTY OR THE ACQUIRED ASSETS, OR TO CUSTOM AND USAGE, OR TO COMPLIANCE OF THE ACQUIRED ASSETS WITH ANY LEGAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE THERETO, AND PURCHASER SHALL ACCEPT THE ACQUIRED ASSETS SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL DEFECTS THEREIN, WHETHER LATENT OR PATENT, "AS-IS," "WHERE-IS," AND "WITH ALL FAULTS".

PURCHASER HAS MADE, WILL MAKE, OR STATES THAT IT HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE ITS OWN INDEPENDENT INSPECTION OF ALL ASPECTS OF THE ACQUIRED ASSETS, AND SHALL HAVE NO RECOURSE WHATSOEVER AGAINST SELLER IN THE EVENT OF DISCOVERY BY PURCHASER OF ANY DEFECTS OF ANY KIND, LATENT OR PATENT, EXCEPT AS MAY BREACH ANY WARRANTY OF TITLE CONTAINED IN THE DEED TO BE DELIVERED BY SELLER TO PURCHASER OR THE WARRANTIES EXPRESSLY MADE BY SELLER IN THIS ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

The Parties agree that language substantially to this effect will be included in the deed at Closing, but that this limitation of warranty shall survive Closing and not merge with the deed or any other document.

2.3 <u>Indemnification by Seller</u>. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing or any other provision of this Agreement, Seller agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Purchaser, its parent company, subsidiaries of such parent company and all of their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents harmless, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, fines, penalties, judgments ("<u>Claims</u>") to which those indemnified herein may

become subject to after the Closing, including reasonable costs and attorney fees, insofar as such Claims, arise out of or are based on Seller's breach of its representations and warranties set forth in Article IV. Seller's indemnification obligations set forth in this Section 2.3 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement or the Closing.

ARTICLE III PURCHASE PRICE AND CLOSING

3,1	Purchase Price.	In consideration	n for Se.	ller's sa	ale and	transfer	of the	Acquired
	Assets to Purchaser,	Purchaser agrees	to pay to	Seller			D D	OLLARS
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- 3.1.1 <u>Release of Funds to Seller</u>: Title Company will release the Closing Payment to Seller on or before the next business day after receipt of a copy of the signed PUCT Final Order.
- 3.2 The Closing. The Closing shall take place at the offices of American Title Company or such other place as may be agreed upon by the Parties no later than ninety (90) days following the latter of: (i) the earlier of (a) the 120th day after proper notice has been given to each of Seller's customers and each utility within 2 miles of Seller's CCN service area in accordance with the requirements of the Purchaser's STM Application, or (b) Purchaser has received written notice from the PUCT that a hearing on the sale will not be requested; (ii) if a hearing is requested or if proper notice is not provided, the written determination by the PUCT that the sale serves the public interest; or (iii) the satisfaction or waiver by Purchaser that the conditions of Section 7.1 have been met by Seller. However, in no event will the Closing Date be later than December 31st 2024, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by both Parties. If this transaction has not closed by , 2024, and the Parties have not otherwise extended the Closing Date, this Agreement will terminate, and in such event, the Title Company is hereby authorized and directed to unilaterally make disbursement of the Earnest Money to the Party or Parties entitled thereto, without any further joinder or approval of Seller or Purchaser, and neither Party shall have any further rights or obligations under this Agreement or otherwise, except as may be set forth herein with respect to rights or obligations which survive termination.

Management, title and control of the Water System, along with the Owned Real Property, shall transfer from Seller to Purchaser at Closing. Seller shall be responsible for the operation, repair, and upgrade of the Water System and the Owned Real Property, the payment of all expenses associated therewith, and be entitled to all revenues accrued prior to Closing. Purchaser shall be responsible for the operation, repair and upgrade of the Water System and the Owned Real Property after Closing, the payment of all expenses associated therewith, and Purchaser will be entitled to all revenues from water sales from the date of Closing forward.

ARTICLE IV

SELLER'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Seller represents and warrants to Purchaser as follows, such representations and warranties being deemed to be made as of the time specified. All representations made by Seller in this Agreement are made to the personal knowledge of Lonnie Wright current as of the time deemed made, under no duty to further investigate after such time specified.

- 4.1 <u>Organization of Seller</u>. As of the Effective Date and at the time of Closing, Sellers are individuals doing business as Municipal Operations, LLC validly existing in the State of Texas and in good standing with the Comptroller of the State of Texas with regards to the payment of all taxes, franchise or otherwise.
- 4.2 <u>Authorization of Transaction</u>. As of the Effective Date and on a continuous basis until the Closing, the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all other transaction documents contemplated by this Agreement, to which Seller is a party, have been duly authorized by Seller.
- 4.3 <u>Non-contravention</u>. As of the Effective Date and at the time of Closing, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will not (i) violate any legal requirement to which Seller is subject or any provision of its organizational documents, (ii) conflict with, or result in a breach of, any contract to which Seller is a party; or (iii) violate any ordinance, regulation, statute or law of any governmental entity or authority.
- Third Party Consents. As of the Effective Date and at the time of Closing, except for the consents set forth in **Schedule 4.4** ("<u>Seller's Required Consents</u>"), no consent, approval, waiver or authorization of any governmental authority or any other person, other than the PUCT, is necessary in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by Seller of this Agreement, the conveyance of the Water System, along with the Owned Real Property, to Purchaser, or the subsequent operation of the Water System, along with the Owned Real Property, by Purchaser.
- 4.5 <u>Brokers' Fees.</u> As of the Effective Date and on a continuous basis until the Closing, Seller has no obligation to pay any fees or commissions to any broker, finder, or similar agent with respect to the transactions contemplated herein for which Purchaser could become liable or obligated to pay.
- 4.6 <u>Title to Assets</u>. At Closing, Seller will have good and marketable title to all of the Acquired Assets, meaning that they are free and clear of any liens, encumbrance, third-party claim or ownership, or restriction on transfer, except for Permitted Encumbrances (as that term is defined below) and as may otherwise be set forth herein.
- 4.7 <u>Tax Matters.</u> As of the Effective Date and at the time of Closing, each of the following: There are no liens, or unpaid accounts, for taxes or assessments or unpaid taxes (other than taxes or assessments not yet due and payable), including ad valorem taxes and assessments, upon any of the Acquired Assets. Seller has withheld and paid all taxes required to have been withheld and paid in connection with amounts paid or owing to any employee, independent contractor, creditor, or other third party, and all Forms W-2 and 1099 required

with respect thereto have been properly completed in all respects and timely filed. No proceeding is pending against or involving Seller with respect to any of Seller's tax returns or with respect to Seller's taxes, and Seller has not waived any statute of limitations in respect of taxes or agreed to any extension of time with respect to a tax assessment or deficiency. Seller will pay, at or before Closing, for all unpaid and due property or ad valorem taxes attributable to the Acquired Assets (assessed against both the personal and real property of Seller) for years prior to the year of the Closing, and it will pay at Closing its prorated share of any property or ad valorem taxes or estimates thereof attributable to the Acquired Assets up to the date of the Closing, except that Seller will pay only for any rollback taxes due as a result of any change of use of any of the Acquired Assets by Seller prior to Closing, and Purchaser will pay for any such rollback taxes due to change of use by Purchaser.

- 4.8 <u>Rights of Third Parties</u>. As of the Closing Date, Seller has not leased or otherwise granted to any Person the right to use or occupy any of the Acquired Assets, and there are no outstanding options, rights of first offer or rights of first refusal to purchase any of the Acquired Assets and any interest therein.
- 4.9 <u>Condition of Acquired Assets.</u> Seller makes no representation or warranty (other than title) of the condition of all buildings, structures, fixtures, building systems and equipment, and all components thereof, included in the Acquired Assets. As of the Closing Date, Seller owns title to the easements or fee attributable to the real property underlying all of the Water System, and there are no third-party claims to any of that underlying real property that would affect or diminish the value of the Water System to Purchaser.
- 4,10 Compliance. Except as disclosed in writing to Purchaser in Schedules 4.10, 4.13 and 4.15(f), as of the Effective Date this Agreement, and except as Seller may otherwise be notified by the TCEQ or PUCT up to the time of Closing, Seller is, in general compliance with all legal requirements applicable to the lawful operation of the Water System. Except as disclosed to Purchaser in an applicable schedule to this Agreement or in accordance with Section 4.15(f), and except as Seller may be otherwise notified after the Effective Date, at Closing, Seller has not received any notice of pending material violation or impending violation of any state regulations, legal requirements, or insurance requirements relating to the Acquired Assets, and there is no material basis for the issuance of any such notice or the taking of any action for such violation. In the event that Seller has received notice after the Effective Date that the Acquired Assets are not in such compliance (including those outstanding violations disclosed in Schedule 4.15(f)), Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to bring the Acquired Assets into compliance prior to Closing. In the event that Seller is unable to bring the Acquired Assets into compliance prior to Closing, then Purchaser shall have the right to terminate under Section 9.1. Any and all reports or notices of non-compliance received by Seller after the Effective Date shall be provided to Purchaser within 48 hours of Seller's receipt of the same. Any administrative or penalties sought by the TCEQ, PUCT or other governmental entity at the time of closing and as disclosed in Schedules 4.10, 4.13 or 4.15(f) in a pending Order or other instrument, will remain the responsibility and be paid by Seller. If any such enforcement Order is issued by the TCEQ or PUCT or other governmental entity, the Seller will remain liable for compliance with said Order.

- 4.11 Access. At Closing, each parcel of real property that is a part of the Acquired Assets has direct access to a public street adjoining that property or has access to a public street via an insurable easement benefiting such parcel, and such access is not dependent on any land or other real property interest that is not included in the Acquired Assets. None of the improvements or any portion thereof is dependent on access, use or operation on any land, building, improvement or other real property interest that is not included in the Acquired Assets.
- 4.12 Prepayments and Customer Deposits. At the time of Closing, Seller shall have refunded all customer deposits, improperly collected pass-through charges, and any and all other monies owed the Water System customers by Seller, with interest accrued to the benefit of those customers if applicable. At Closing, Seller shall supply Purchaser with an affidavit executed by Seller contained in the form agreement attached hereto in Schedule 4.12 (the "Closing Agreement"), which affidavit shall evidence Seller's payment of the aforementioned refunds. The affidavit provided for in Schedule 4.12 may be modified by the Parties at any time prior to the PUCT Final Order Date in order to facilitate the PUCT's acceptance of the same as evidence that all amounts mentioned in this Section 4.12 have been refunded by Seller to Seller's customer's on or prior to the Closing Date.
- 4.13 Litigation and Insurance Claims. Except as disclosed to Purchaser as set forth on Schedule 4.13, as of the Effective Date and, except as Seller may be otherwise notified after the Effective Date, and up to the time of Closing, Seller is not subject to any outstanding court or administrative order or other legal or regulatory proceedings, nor does the Seller have any knowledge of any notice or threat of it to be made a party to any legal proceeding or subject to any administrative order or investigation. In the event that Seller has received notice of such suit, order, or proceeding and Seller is unable to fully resolve such prior to Closing, then Purchaser shall have the right to terminate under Section 9.1. Any and all notices of administrative, legal, or regulatory proceeding received by Seller after the Effective Date shall be provided to Purchaser within 48 hours of Seller's receipt of the same.

As of the Effective Date, Seller has no claims outstanding against any insurer of any property, general liability, worker's compensation, automotive, or umbrella insurance policy in any way related to the Acquired Assets.

4.14 <u>Employees</u>. As of the Effective Date and on a continuous basis until the Closing, Seller has not made any representations to any of Seller's employees that would cause any such employee to expect that any of them would or will become an employee of SP UTILITY CO, INC.

4.15 Environmental, Health, and Safety Requirements.

- (a) As of the Effective Date and at the time of Closing and with the exception of any enforcement action identified on Schedule 4.10, 4.13, or 4.15(f), Seller is in compliance, with all governmental environmental, health and safety requirements.
- (b) A list of all permits, licenses and governmental authorizations known by Seller as of the Effective Date to be required by all governmental environmental, health and

- safety requirements for the occupation of Seller's facilities and Seller's operation of the Seller's Water System is set forth on **Schedule 4.15(b)**.
- (c) As of the Effective Date and at the time of Closing and with the exception of those enforcement cases identified in Schedules 4.10, 4.13 and 4.15(f), Seller has not received any written notice, report or other information from any governmental authority regarding any actual or alleged existing violation of environmental, health and safety requirements, or any liabilities, including any investigatory, remedial or corrective obligations, relating to the Water System arising under any environmental, health or safety requirement. Any and all such reports or notices received by Seller after the Effective Date shall be provided to Purchaser within 48 hours of Seller's receipt of the same.
- (d) As of the Effective Date and except as may be discovered due to any environmental studies done during the pendency of this Agreement, Seller does not have any knowledge that any of the following exists at any property or facility used by the Water System:
 - (i) underground storage tanks,
 - (ii) asbestos-containing material in any friable and damaged form or condition,
 - (iii) materials or equipment containing polychlorinated biphenyls,
 - (iv) landfills, surface impoundments, or disposal areas, or
 - (v) lead paint.
- (e) As of the Effective Date and the Closing Date and on a continuous basis until the Closing, excepting chlorine, Seller has not treated, stored, disposed of, arranged for or permitted the disposal of, transported, handled, manufactured, distributed, or released any substance, including any hazardous substance, or owned or operated any property or facility (and no such property or facility is contaminated by any such substance) so as to give rise to any current or future liabilities, including any liability for fines, penalties, response costs, corrective action costs, personal injury, property damage, natural resources damages or attorney's fees, pursuant to any environmental, health or safety requirement. Seller has used and maintained on premises chlorine for the sole purpose of water disinfection as required by TCEQ regulations and that chlorine is a known hazardous substance.
- (f) As of the Effective Date, Seller has given to Purchaser written copies of all environmental audits, environmental reports, TCEQ inspection reports, notices of violation, environmental notices and other environmental documents and related correspondence from any governmental authority relating to Seller's Water System, current properties, facilities, or operations that are in their possession or under their reasonable control and of any environmental audits, reports, and other material environmental documents and correspondences that Seller has conducted, prepared or received in the last two (2) years. Schedule 4.15(f) lists each of the environmental audits, reports, inspection reports, notices of violation and other material environmental enforcement documents that have been delivered to Purchaser as of the Effective Date. Seller shall give to Purchaser a copy of any

such audits, inspection reports, et al. that Seller receives after the Effective Date and prior to the Final Order Date within 48 hours of Seller's receipt of the same.

- 4.16 <u>Customers.</u> **Schedule 4.16** lists all of Seller's customers at the time of the Effective Date which Purchaser will rely on in its STM Application filing in connection with the transactions hereunder. This list shall be updated by Seller at Closing. As of the Effective Date no customer listed on Schedule 4.16 has given Seller written notice of its intent to protest this transaction. All prepayments and customer deposits received by Seller, described in Section 4.12, shall be returned or refunded to said customers by Seller prior to the Closing Date in accordance with Section 7.1.7.
- 4.17 Operations. Until Closing, Seller will continue to operate the Water System and to service its customers under the same manner and methods that Seller has used historically, and Seller will use its best efforts to maintain the condition and operating standards of the Water System throughout that period.
- 4.18 Access to Books and Records and Facilities. Seller shall provide Purchaser with reasonable access to the Water System and Seller's books and records related thereto at any time before Closing. Purchaser shall give Seller at least forty-eight (48) hour notice of an inspection. Purchaser shall be liable for and shall repair any damage to the Water System due to the fault of Purchaser occurring during Purchaser's inspection(s). Books and records of Seller will be available at 27316 Spectrum Way, Conroe, TX 77385, unless Purchaser agrees to pay for copy of same to be made and delivered to Purchaser, in which case Seller will reasonably cooperate with Purchaser to accomplish that delivery.

ARTICLE V PURCHASER'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Purchaser represents and warrants to the Seller as follows (such representations and warranties being deemed to be made as of the date hereof and on a continuous basis until the Closing).

- 5.1 <u>Organization of Purchaser</u>. Purchaser is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of Texas.
- 5.2 Operation after Closing. Purchaser shall be completely responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Water System, including compliance with all state and federal regulations, after Closing, and knowingly assumes all duties, obligations and liabilities associated therewith without any recourse to Seller, except those arising from any liability to TCEQ, PUCT, other governmental entity, or person under enforcement order or for breach by Seller of the representations and warranties made by Seller or its principal herein.

ARTICLE VI PRE-CLOSING COVENANTS

The Parties agree as follows with respect to the period between the execution of this Agreement and the Closing:

- 6.1 <u>Cooperation; Access.</u> Each of the Parties will use commercially reasonable efforts to take all actions and to do all things necessary, proper or advisable to close this transaction.
- 6.2 Consents; Regulatory Matters and Approvals. Seller will give any notices needed to accomplish the transaction, and it will execute all applications and related documents and use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the Seller's Required Consents and, at no further cost to Seller, to assist Purchaser in obtaining the necessary PUCT approvals, PUCT Final Order and all other authorizations, consents, and approvals necessary to complete the transaction. Purchaser shall prepare and file the Parties' STM Application no later than Sixty (60) days following the Effective Date of this Agreement. Purchaser shall pay all costs associated with the preparation, filing, prosecution, and notice of the STM application. Seller covenants and agrees to fully cooperate with, and to assist, Purchaser in submitting the STM Application and any other related filing requirements.
- 6.3 Preservation of Business. Seller shall carry on its business in the ordinary course of business and shall: (a) use its best efforts in the manner specified in Section 4.17 to preserve intact the Water System, the Acquired Assets, its present operations, physical facilities, working conditions, insurance policies, and business organization, and (b) keep and endeavor to preserve its relationships with customers, lessors, landlords, partners, suppliers and others having business dealings with it to the end that its goodwill and ongoing business shall not be impaired in any material respect at the Closing. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Seller will not: (i) intentionally and willfully engage in any practice or take any action that would cause or result in, or permit by inaction, any of the representations and warranties contained in Article IV to become untrue or misleading, (ii) intentionally and willfully engage in any practice, take any action or otherwise act in any manner that may result in a material adverse effect on Seller, Purchaser, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities or the transactions contemplated herein, or (iii) intentionally and willfully engage in any act that would cause Seller to deplete the Acquired Assets other than in the ordinary course of business.
- Transfer of Utility Accounts. Within five (5) days preceding the Closing, or such other time agreed to by the Parties, Seller and Purchaser shall conduct final meter readings of all meters related to the operation of the systems, including, without limitation, water, natural gas and electric meters. They each shall use their best efforts to have all such accounts transferred to the name of the Purchaser as of the date of Closing. Seller shall be entitled to the refund of all of Seller's outstanding deposits with its utility suppliers and other vendors.
- 6.5 <u>Notice of Developments</u>. Each Party will give prompt written notice to the other Party of any adverse development causing a breach of any of its own representations and warranties in Article IV or Article V or likely to cause a material adverse effect. No disclosure by any Party pursuant to this Section 6.5, however, shall be deemed to amend or supplement such

Party's disclosure schedules or to prevent or cure any misrepresentation, breach of warranty, or breach of covenant.

6.6 Backup Offers/Confidentiality. Seller shall not solicit, initiate, or encourage the submission of any proposal or offer from any Person relating to the acquisition of all or substantial portion of the assets of Seller after the Effective Date of this Agreement. If Seller does receive any proposals or inquiries from third-parties, due in no part to the actions of Seller following the Effective Date of this Agreement, Seller shall promptly communicate to Purchaser the terms of any such inquiry or proposal concerning the acquisition of the assets or the Water System that Seller may receive, and if such inquiry or proposal is in writing. Seller shall promptly deliver a copy of such inquiry or proposal to Purchaser. Under no circumstances shall Seller disclose the identity of Purchaser or the Purchase Price to any third parties, unless and until such information becomes public information in the filing of the STM Application. Both Parties agree to keep the Purchase Price confidential and to not disclose it to any third parties, save and except on a need-toknow basis to the Parties' respective accountants, attorneys, bankers, financial advisors, directors, and principals, and as may be reasonably required in processing the closing, issuance of the title policies, and in applying for, qualifying for, and otherwise processing the STM Application.

ARTICLE VII CONDITIONS TO OBLIGATION TO CLOSE

- 7.1 <u>Conditions to Purchaser's Obligation</u>. The Purchaser's obligation to close is subject to satisfaction of all the following conditions:
 - 7.1.1 In compliance with Section 13.301 of the Texas Water Code, Purchaser shall have obtained all approvals from the PUCT of the STM Application and any others necessary to close the transactions contemplated by this Agreement without the imposition of any restrictions, conditions or obligations that are deemed to be unacceptable to Purchaser in its sole discretion;
 - 7.1.2 The representations and warranties set forth in Article IV shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing, and there has been no material adverse change in the value of the Water System;
 - 7.1.3 Seller shall have complied with all of its covenants in this Agreement in all material respects through the Closing;
 - 7.1.4 Seller and Purchaser shall each be in compliance with all material regulatory requirements of all applicable governmental authorities necessary to close this transaction;
 - 7.1.5 Seller shall be able to transfer good and marketable title to the Owned Real Property, meaning being free and clear of any liens, encumbrance, third-party claim or ownership, or restriction on transfer, except for Permitted Encumbrances (as that term is defined below), as may otherwise be set forth on **Schedule 2.1(b)**, and as

may otherwise be set forth herein, by the execution of the deed described in Section 8.1.1, and Purchaser shall have received enforceable title commitments dated as of the Closing (from a title company reasonably acceptable to Purchaser) covering the Owned Real Property in such form and substance reasonably acceptable to Purchaser in its sole and absolute discretion;

- 7.1.6 Seller shall have good and indefeasible title to all of the Acquired Assets, being free and clear of any liens, encumbrance, third-party claim or ownership, or restriction on transfer, except as may otherwise be set forth herein. Any Acquired Assets owned by Seller, shall have been transferred to Purchaser prior to Closing.
- 7.1.7 As of its final billing to the customers of the Water System, Seller shall have refunded all customer deposits, improperly collected pass-through charges, and any and all other monies owed the Water System customers by Seller, with interest accrued to the benefit of those customers, and Seller shall have supplied Purchaser reasonable proof of such refunds in such form and substance as is reasonably necessary to prove the same to the PUCT, said form being attached hereto in Schedule 4.12, as may be amended prior to the PUCT Final Order Date; and
- 7.1.8 Seller shall have resolved, to the satisfaction of the TCEQ, PUCT and Purchaser, any and all of the Water System violations disclosed, and that are required to be disclosed, to Purchaser by Seller in accordance with Section 4.10 and Section 4.15(f) (altogether, the "Water System Violations").
- 7.2 Purchaser may waive any condition specified in Section 7.1, but that waiver must be in writing and signed by Purchaser, except that if Purchaser proceeds to Closing, such condition shall be deemed waived.
- 7.3 <u>Conditions to Seller's Obligation</u>. The obligation of Seller to close is subject to the following conditions:
 - 7.3.1 The representations and warranties set forth in Article V shall be true and correct in all material respects at and as of the Closing; and
 - 7.3.2 Purchaser shall have complied with all of its covenants in this Agreement in all material respects through the Closing.
- 7.4 Seller may waive any condition specified in Section 7.3, but that waiver must be in writing signed by Seller, except that if Seller proceeds to Closing, such condition shall be deemed waived.

ARTICLE VIII CLOSING DELIVERIES

8.1 <u>Items to be delivered by the Seller</u>. At the Closing, the Seller shall deliver to Purchaser the following:

- 8.1.1 Closing documents acceptable to Purchaser of all conveyances of all interests in and to the Acquired Assets currently owned by Seller (as defined later herein), which conveyances convey unencumbered title to the assets owned by Seller;
- 8.1.2. Access to and possession and control of the Acquired Assets;
- 8.1.3. Tax certificates evidencing Seller's payment of any and all past-due ad valorem taxes assessed against the Acquired Assets (personal and real property); and
- 8.1.4. Title commitment policy insuring title into Purchaser with no exceptions other than the Permitted Encumbrances.
- 8.2 <u>Items to be delivered by Purchaser</u>. At the Closing, Purchaser shall deliver:
 - 8.2.1 The Closing Payment, as described in Section 3.1; and,
 - 8.2.2 The Assignment and Assumption of Non-Realty Assets, as described above, executed by Purchaser.

ARTICLE IX TERMINATION

9.1 Termination of Agreement. The Parties may terminate this Agreement by mutual written consent at any time prior to the Closing. Purchaser may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to the Seller: (a) if the Seller has materially breached any material representation, warranty, or covenant contained in this Agreement, including those obligations listed in Section 7.1, Purchaser has notified the Seller of the breach in writing, and the breach has continued without cure for a period of ten (10) days after Seller's receipt of the notice of breach, (b) if there has been any material adverse change in the Seller's Water System, including, without limitation, the Cash Flow, as that term is defined at the end of this subparagraph, from the Acquired Assets, Purchaser has notified the Seller of the change in writing, and the change has continued without cure for a period of ten (10) days after Seller's receipt of the notice of change, (c) if any consent or approval of any governmental authority or entity necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement has imposed any restrictions, conditions, or obligations that are deemed to be unacceptable to Purchaser, if Purchaser has otherwise complied with all terms of this Agreement, (d) Seller has not conveyed to Purchaser the Owned Real Property and all other Acquired Assets that are owned by Seller on or before the Closing Date. For purposes of this subparagraph "Cash Flow" means normal, long-term operating cash flow without consideration for any extraordinary expense, including emergency repairs, incurred due to an event or cause that occurred after the Effective Date and that Seller had no knowledge nor reasonable expectation would occur between the Effective Date and the Closing; or

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

Notices. Notice may be given by certified mail, return receipt requested, regular mail, personal delivery, courier delivery, facsimile transmission, electronic mail (email), or other commercially reasonable means and will be effective when actually received. Any address for notice may be changed by written notice delivered as provided herein. Copies of each notice must be given by one of these methods to the attorney of the party to whom notice is given. Contact information is as follows:

If to Seller: Lonnie Wright

27316 Spectrum Way Conroe, Tx 77385

E-mail: LWright@Municipalops.com

If to Purchaser: Harrison Williams

SP UTILITY CO, INC.

P.O. Box 690521 Houston, Tx. 77269

E-mail: harrison.ftu@gmail.com

- Amendments and Waivers. No amendment of any provision of this Agreement shall be valid unless the same shall be in writing and signed by all of the Parties hereto. No waiver by any Party of any provision of this Agreement or any individual default, misrepresentation or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder, whether intentional or not, shall be valid unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the Party making such waiver.
- 10.3 <u>Incorporation of Exhibits and Schedules</u>. The Exhibits and Schedules referred to or identified in this Agreement are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- 10.4 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement (including the Schedules and Exhibits of even date herewith and the other documents referred to herein) constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and supersedes any prior understandings, agreements or representations by or between the Parties, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subject matter hereof.
- 10.5 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Facsimile signatures shall be given the same effect as original signatures.
- 10.6 <u>Section Headings</u>. The section headings are intended for the convenience of reference only, and they have no substantive meaning or effect on the agreement of the Parties.
- 10.7 Time is of the Essence. In matters related to this Agreement, time is of the essence.
- 10.8 <u>Days</u>. The term "business day" shall mean any calendar day other than Saturday, Sunday or a day which is generally recognized as a holiday by financial institutions in the State of

Texas. Any other reference to day or days shall refer to calendar days. If any date or any period provided in this Agreement ends on a day which is not a business day, then the applicable period shall be extended to 5:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on the next business day.

10.9 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Texas. Venue of any arbitration, mediation or litigation arising under or related to this Agreement shall be in Harris County, Texas.

ARTICLE XI

Purchaser's Indemnity of Seller

11.1 Purchaser's Indemnity of Seller. Purchaser agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Seller and all of its respective officers, directors, employees, and agents harmless, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, fines, penalties, judgments ("Seller Claims") to which those indemnified herein may become subject to after the Closing, including reasonable costs and attorney fees, insofar as such Claims, arise out of or are based on Purchaser's obligations under Section 5.2, and such indemnification obligations shall survive Closing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

PURCHASER:

SP UTILITY CO, Inc.

By: Date: US Local
Harrison Williams, President

SELLER:

Municipal Operations, LLC

By: Date: US Local

SCHEDULE 2.1(a)
Owned Real Property (being acquired by Purchaser)

1,	Any and a	all wate	r utility	easements,	recorded	l or unrecoi	ded.	, owned	by	Selle	r and	used	in
the ope	eration of t	he Acqu	uired A	ssets.									

2.	All system t	fixtures used	or useful	in the	operation	n of the ι	Acquired	Assets	located	on or
within	the aforemen	ntioned real	property a	and eas	ements a	s describ	ed on So	chedule :	2.1(b).	

SCHEDULE 2.1(b)
Personal Property, Equipment and Fixtures

SCHEDULE 4.4

Third Party Consents – "Seller's Required Consents"

-Public Utility Commission of Texas approval of Application for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of a Retail Public Utility.

SCHEDULE 4.10

Compliance

Seller has no	o information	responsive	to this	request	other	than	what	Seller	has	already
disclosed in Schedul	le 4.15(f).									



WATER UTILITY TARIFF

Docket Number: 42853

SWEA Gardens Estates Utility, Inc. (Utility Name)

P.O. BOX 40526 (Business Address)

Houston, Texas 77240-0526 (City, State, Zip Code)

713-937-1959 (Area Code/Telephone)

This tariff is effective for utility operations under the following Certificate of Convenience and Necessity: 11872

This tariff is effective in the following counties: Harris

This tariff is effective in the following cities or unincorporated towns (if any): None

This tariff is effective in the following subdivisions or public water systems:

SWEA Gardens Estates, PWS 1010218

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The above utility lists the following sections of its tariff (if additional pages are needed for a section, all pages should be numbered consecutively):

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SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE

Section 1.01 - Rates

Meter Size	Monthly Minimum Charge \$43.14 (Includes 0 gallons)	Gallonage Charge
5/8" or 3/4"		
	*Plus additional p	bass through fees listed below.
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*Pass Through Fee	D	
Applies to all gallons u		
	the implementation of purchasing water from one subject to a 2% adjustment for water loss.	
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SECTION 1.0 - RATE SCHEDULE (Continued)

METER TEST FEE
RECONNECTION FEE THE RECONNECT FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE SERVICE CAN BE RESTORED TO A CUSTOMER WHO HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS (OR OTHER REASONS LISTED UNDER SECTION 2.0 OF THIS TARIFF): a) Nonpayment of bill (Maximum \$25.00)
TRANSER FEE\$10.00 THE TRANSFER FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR CHANGING AN ACCOUNT NAME AT THE SAME SERVICE LOCATION WHEN THE SERVICE IS NOT DISCONNECTED.
LATE CHARGE (EITHER \$5.00 OR 10% OF THE BILL)
RETURNED CHECK CHARGE\$30.00 RETURNED CHECK CHARGES MUST BE BASED ON THE UTILITY'S DOCUMENTABLE COST.
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RESIDENTIAL (Maximum \$50)\$50.00
COMMERCIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT 1/6TH OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL BILL
LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES: REFER TO SECTION 3.0EXTENSION POLICY FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND CHARGES WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SERVICE.

SECTION 1.0 - RATE SCHEDULE (Continued)

PURCHASED WATER AND/OR DISTRICT FEE PASS THROUGH CLAUSE Changes in fees imposed by any non-affiliated third party water supplier or underground water district having jurisdiction over the Utility shall be passed through as an adjustment to the water gallonage charge according to the following formula:

Adjusted Gallonage Rate (AG) = G + [B/(1 - L)], Where:

AG = adjusted gallonage charge, rounded to nearest one cent;

G = approved gallonage charge, per 1,000 gallons;

B = change in fee (per 1,000 gallons);

L = water or sewer line loss for preceding 12 months, not to exceed 0.15 (15%)

SECTION 2.0 -- SERVICE RULES AND POLICIES

Section 2.01 - Public Utility Commission of Texas Rules

The utility will have the most current Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC or Commission) Rules, Chapter 24, available at its office for reference purposes. The Rules and this tariff shall be available for public inspection and reproduction at a reasonable cost. The latest Rules or commission approved changes to the Rules supersede any rules or requirements in this tariff.

Section 2.02 - Application for and Provision of Water Service

All applications for service will be made on the utility's standard application or contract form (attached in the Appendix to this tariff), will be signed by the applicant before water service is provided by the utility. A separate application or contract will be made for each service location.

After the applicant has met all the requirements, conditions and regulations for service, the utility will install tap, meter and utility cut-off valve and/or take all necessary actions to initiate service. The utility will serve each qualified applicant for service within 5 working days unless line extensions or new facilities are required. If construction is required to fill the order and if it cannot be completed within 30 days, the utility will provide the applicant with a written explanation of the construction required and an expected date of service.

Where service has previously been provided, service will be reconnected within one working day after the applicant has met the requirements for reconnection.

The customer will be responsible for furnishing and laying the necessary customer service pipe from the meter location to the place of consumption. Customers may be required to install a customer owned cut-off valve on the customer's side of the meter or connection.

Section 2.03 - Refusal of Service

The utility may decline to serve an applicant until the applicant has complied with the regulations of the regulatory agencies (state and municipal regulations) and for the reasons outlined in the PUC Rules. In the event that the utility refuses to serve an applicant, the utility will inform the applicant in writing of the basis of its refusal. The utility is also required to inform the applicant that a complaint may be filed with the Commission.

Section 2.04 - Customer Deposits

If a residential applicant cannot establish credit to the satisfaction of the utility, the applicant may be required to pay a deposit as provided for in Section 1.02 - Miscellaneous Fees of this tariff. The utility will keep records of the deposit and credit interest in accordance with PUC Rules.

Section 2.04 - Customer Deposits (cont.)

Residential applicants 65 years of age or older may not be required to pay deposits unless the applicant has an outstanding account balance with the utility or another water or sewer utility which accrued within the last two years.

Nonresidential applicants who cannot establish credit to the satisfaction of the utility may be required to make a deposit that does not exceed an amount equivalent to one-sixth of the estimated annual billings.

Refund of deposit. - If service is not connected, or after disconnection of service, the utility will promptly refund the customer's deposit plus accrued interest or the balance, if any, in excess of the unpaid bills for service furnished. The utility may refund the deposit at any time prior to termination of utility service but must refund the deposit plus interest for any residential customer who has paid 18 consecutive billings without being delinquent.

Section 2.05 - Meter Requirements, Readings, and Testing

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All water sold by the utility will be billed based on meter measurements. The utility will provide, install, own and maintain meters to measure amounts of water consumed by its customers. One meter is required for each residential, commercial, or industrial connection.

Service meters will be read at monthly intervals and as nearly as possible on the corresponding day of each monthly meter reading period unless otherwise authorized by the Commission.

Meter tests. The utility will, upon the request of a customer, and, if the customer so desires, in his or her presence or in that of his or her authorized representative, make without charge a test of the accuracy of the customer's meter. If the customer asks to observe the test, the test will be made during the utility's normal working hours at a time convenient to the customer. Whenever possible, the test will be made on the customer's premises, but may, at the utility's discretion, be made at the utility's testing facility. If within a period of two years the customer requests a new test, the utility will make the test, but if the meter is found to be within the accuracy standards established by the American Water Works Association, the utility will charge the customer a fee which reflects the cost to test the meter up to a maximum \$25 for a residential customer. Following the completion of any requested test, the utility will promptly advise the customer of the date of removal of the meter, the date of the test, the result of the test, and who made the test.

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Section 2.06 - Billing

Bills from the utility will be mailed monthly unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. The due date of bills for utility service will be at least sixteen (16) days from the date of issuance. The postmark on the bill or, if there is no postmark on the bill, the recorded date of mailing by the utility will constitute proof of the date of issuance. Payment for utility service is delinquent if full payment, including late fees and the regulatory assessment, is not received at the utility or the utility's authorized payment agency by 5:00 p.m. on the due date. If the due date falls on a holiday or weekend, the due date for payment purposes will be the next workday after the due date.

A late penalty of either \$5.00 or 10.0% will be charged on bills received after the due date. The penalty on delinquent bills will not be applied to any balance to which the penalty was applied in a previous billing. The utility must maintain a record of the date of mailing to charge the late penalty.

Each bill will provide all information required by the PUC Rules. For each of the systems it operates, the utility will maintain and note on the monthly bill a local or toll-free telephone number (or numbers) to which customers can direct questions about their utility service.

In the event of a dispute between a customer and a utility regarding any bill for utility service, the utility will conduct an investigation and report the results to the customer. If the dispute is not resolved, the utility will inform the customer that a complaint may be filed with the commission.

Section 2.07 - Service Disconnection

Utility service may be disconnected if the bill has not been paid in full by the date listed on the termination notice. The termination date must be at least 10 days after the notice is mailed or hand delivered.

The utility is encouraged to offer a deferred payment plan to a customer who cannot pay an outstanding bill in full and is willing to pay the balance in reasonable installments. However, a customer's utility service may be disconnected if a bill has not been paid or a deferred payment agreement entered into within 26 days from the date of issuance of a bill and if proper notice of termination has been given.

Notice of termination must be a separate mailing or hand delivery in accordance with the PUC Rules.

Section 2.07 - Service Disconnection (cont.)

Utility service may also be disconnected without notice for reasons as described in the PUC Rules.

Utility personnel must be available to collect payments and to reconnect service on the day of and the day after any disconnection of service unless service was disconnected at the customer's request or due to a hazardous condition.

Section 2.08 - Reconnection of Service

Service will be reconnected within 24 hours after the past due bill and any other outstanding charges are paid or correction of the conditions which caused service to be disconnected.

Section 2.09 - Service Interruptions

The utility will make all reasonable efforts to prevent interruptions of service. If interruptions occur, the utility will re-establish service within the shortest possible time. Except for momentary interruptions due to automatic equipment operations, the utility will keep a complete record of all interruptions, both emergency and scheduled and will notify the commission in writing of any service interruptions affecting the entire system or any major division of the system lasting more than four hours. The notice will explain the cause of the interruptions.

Prorated Bills - If service is interrupted or seriously impaired for 24 consecutive hours or more, the utility will prorate the monthly base bill in proportion to the time service was not available to reflect this loss of service.

Section 2.10 - Quality of Service

The utility will plan, furnish, and maintain production, treatment, storage, transmission, and distribution facilities of sufficient size and capacity to provide a continuous and adequate supply of water for all reasonable consumer uses. Unless otherwise authorized by the TCEQ, the utility will maintain facilities as described in the TCEQ Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems.

Section 2.11 - Customer Complaints and Disputes

If a customer or applicant for service lodges a complaint, the utility will promptly make a suitable investigation and advise the complainant of the results. Service will not be disconnected pending completion of the investigation. If the complainant is dissatisfied with the utility's response, the utility must advise the complainant that he has recourse through the PUC complaint process. Pending resolution of a complaint, the Commission may require continuation or restoration of service.

Section 2.11 - Customer Complaints and Disputes (cont.)

The utility will maintain a record of all complaints which shows the name and address of the complainant, the date and nature of the complaint and the adjustment or disposition thereof, for a period of two years after the final settlement of the complaint.

SECTION 2,20 - SPECIFIC UTILITY SERVICE RULES AND POLICIES

This section contains specific utility service rules in addition to the rules previously listed under Section 2.0. It must be reviewed and approved by the Commission and in compliance with PUC rules to be effective.

SECTION 3.0--EXTENSION POLICY

Section 3.01 - Standard Extension Requirements

LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES: No contribution in aid of construction may be required of any customer except as provided for in this approved extension policy.

The customer will be given an itemized statement of the costs, options such as rebates to the customer, sharing of construction costs between the utility and the customer, or sharing of costs between the customer and other applicants prior to beginning construction.

The utility will bear the full cost of any over-sizing of water mains necessary to serve other customers in the immediate area. The individual residential customer shall not be charged for any additional production, storage, or treatment facilities. Contributions in aid of construction may not be required of individual residential customers for production, storage, treatment or transmission facilities unless otherwise approved by the Commission under this specific extension policy.

COSTS THE UTILITIES SHALL BEAR. Within its certified area, the utility will pay the cost of the first 200 feet of any water main or distribution line necessary to extend service to an Individual residential customer within a platted subdivision. However, if the residential customer requesting service purchased the property after the developer was notified in writing of the need to provide facilities to the utility, the utility may charge for the first 200 feet. The utility must also be able to document that the developer of the subdivision refused to provide facilities compatible with the utility's facilities in accordance with the utility's approved extension policy after receiving a written request from the utility.

Developers may be required to provide contributions in aid of construction in amounts to furnish the system with all facilities necessary to comply with TCEQ's Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems.

SECTION 3,20—SPECIFIC UTILITY EXTENSION POLICY

This section contains the utility's specific extension policy which complies with the requirements already stated under Section 3.01. It must be reviewed and approved by the Commission and in compliance with PUC rules to be effective.

Residential customers not covered under Section 3.01 will be charged the equivalent of the costs of extending service to their property from the nearest transmission or distribution line even if that line does not have adequate capacity to serve the customer. However, if the customer places unique, non-standard service demands upon the system, the customer may be charged the additional cost of extending service to and throughout their property, including the cost of all necessary transmission and storage facilities necessary to meet the service demands anticipated to be created by that property.

Developers may be required to provide contributions in aid of construction in amounts sufficient to furnish the development with all facilities necessary to provide for reasonable local demand requirements and to comply with TCEQ minimum design criteria for facilities used in the production, transmission, pumping, or treatment of water or TCEQ minimum requirements. For purposes of this subsection, a developer is one who subdivides or requests more than two meters on a piece of property. Commercial, industrial, and wholesale customers will be treated as developers.

SECTION 4.0 – DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN (Utility must attach a copy of TCEQ approved Drought Contingency Plan)

Section 8 Response Stages

Unless there is an immediate and extreme reduction in water production, or other absolute necessity to declare an emergency or severe condition, the utility will initially declare Stage I restrictions. If, after a reasonable period of time, demand is not reduced enough to alleviate outages, reduce the risk of outages, or comply with restrictions required by a court, government agency or other authority, Stage II may be implemented with Stage III to follow if necessary.

STAGE I - CUSTOMER AWARENESS

Stage I will begin:

Every April 1st, the utility will mail a public announcement to its customers. No notice to TCEQ required.

Stage I will end:

Every September 30th, the utility will mail a public announcement to it's customers. No notice to TCEQ required.

Utility Measures:

This announcement will be designed to increase customer awareness of water conservation and encourage the most efficient use of water. A copy of the current public announcement on water conservation awareness shall be kept on file available for inspection by the TCEQ.

Voluntary Water Use Restrictions:

Water customers are requested to voluntarily limit the use of water for non-essential purposes and to practice water conservation.

STAGE 11 - VOLUNTARY WATER CONSERVATION:

The v	water utility will implement Stage II when any one of the selected triggers is reached
Supp	oly-Based Triggers: (check at least one and fill in the appropriate value)
	Well level reaches ft. mean sea level (m.s.l.)
_	Well level reaches ft. mean sea level (m.s.l.) Overnight recovery rate reaches ft.
	Overnight recovery rate reachesft.
0 0 0 0	Overnight recovery rate reachesft.

	Annual water use equals % of well permit/Water Right/purchased water contract amount
	Other
Demar	nd- or Capacity-Based Triggers: (check at least one and fill in the appropriate value)
	Drinking water treatment as % of capacity
	initiation and termination of Stage II, the utility will mail a public incement to its customers. No notice to TCEQ required.
Requir	rements for Termination:
	It of the Plan may end when all of the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to for a period of three (3) consecutive days. Upon termination of Stage II, Stage I becomes ive.
<u>Utility</u>	Measures:
	ly inspect lines and repair leaks on a daily basis. Monthly review of customer use records llow-up on any that have unusually high usage.
Daily	monitor the plant facilities for system usage and equipment reliability.
The so	econd water source for Swea Gardens Estates Utility is:
	Other well interconnection with other system Purchased water Other
<u>Volur</u>	tary Water Use Restrictions:

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Restricted Hours: Outside watering is allowed daily, but only during periods specifically described in the customer notice; between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. for example; or

- 2. Restricted Days/Hours: Water customers are requested to voluntarily limit the irrigation of landscaped areas with hose-end sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems. Customers are requested to limit outdoor water use to Mondays for water customers with a street address ending with the numbers 1, 2, or 3, Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending with the numbers 4, 5, or 6, and Fridays for water customers with a street address ending with the numbers 7, 8, 9 or 0. Irrigation of landscaped areas is further limited to the hours of 12:00 midnight until 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on designated watering days. However, irrigation of landscaped areas is permitted at anytime if it is by means of a hand-held hose, a faucet-filled bucket or watering can of five (5) gallons or less, or drip irrigation system; or
- 3. Other uses that waste water such as water running down the gutter.

STAGE III - MANDATORY WATER USE RESTRICTIONS:

Target: Achieve a 20 percent	reduction in daily water demand.
The water utility will implement Stage	III when any one of the selected triggers is reached:
Supply-Based Triggers (check at least	one and fill in the appropriate value)
 □ Well level reaches □ Overnight recovery rate reaches □ Reservoir elevation reaches □ Stream flow reaches □ Wholesale supplier's drought 	es ft, ft. (M.S.I.) cfs at USGS gage #
☐ Annual water use equals☐ contract amount.☐ Other	% of well permit/Water Right/purchased water
	(check at least one and fill in the appropriate value)
 □ Drinking water treatment as % ▼ Total daily demand as % of posterior □ Pump hours per day □ Production or distribution limit □ Other 	tations.
Upon initiation and termination of S	Stage III, the utility will mail a public

announcement to its customers. Notice to TCEQ required.

Requirements for Termination:

Stage III of the Plan may end when all of the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to exist for a period of three (3) consecutive days. Upon termination of Stage III, Stage II becomes operative.

Utility Measures:

Visually inspect lines and repair leaks on a regular basis. Flushing is prohibited except for dead end mains.

Mandatory Water Use Restrictions:

The following water use restrictions shall apply to all customers.

- Irrigation of landscaped areas with hose-end sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems shall be limited to Mondays for water customers with a street address ending with the numbers 1, 2, or 3, Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending with the numbers 4, 5, or 6, and Fridays for water customers with a street address ending with the numbers 7, 8, 9, or 0. Irrigation of landscaped areas is further limited to the hours of 12:00 midnight until 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on designated watering days. However, irrigation of landscaped areas is permitted at anytime if it is by means of a hand-held hose, a faucet-filled bucket or watering can of five (5) gallons or less, or drip irrigation system.
- 2. Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight. Such washing, when allowed, shall be done with a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses. Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. Further, such washing may be exempted from these regulations if the health, safety, and welfare of the public are contingent upon frequent vehicle cleansing, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food and perishables.
- 3. Use of water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools, or "jacuzzi" type pool are prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.

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- 4. Operation of any ornamental fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.
- 5. Use of water from hydrants or flush valves shall be limited to maintaining public health, safety, and welfare.
- 6. Use of water for the irrigation of golf courses, parks, and green belt areas are prohibited except by hand-held hose and only on designated watering days between the hours 12: 00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight
- 7. The following uses of water are defined as non-essential and are prohibited:
 - a. wash down of any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or other hard-surfaced areas:
 - b. use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection;
 - c. use of water for dust control;
 - d. flushing gutters or permitting water to ran or accumulate in any gutter or street;
 - e. failure to repair a controllable leak(s) within a reasonable period after having been given notice directing the repair of such leak(s); and
 - f any waste of water.

STAGE IV - CRITICAL WATER USE RESTRICTIONS:

Targe	t: Achieve a per customer limit in water usage equivalent to or below the winter
months	average per customer.
The wa	ater utility will implement Stage IV when any one of the selected triggers is reached:
Supply	-Based Triggers: (check at least one and fill in the appropriate value)
	Well level reaches ft. (M.S.L.)
	Overnight recovery rate reachesft.
	Reservoir elevation reaches ft. (M.S.I.)
	Stream flow reaches cfs at USGS gage #
	Wholesale supplier's drought Stage IV
	Annual water use equals % of well permit/Water Right/purchased water contract amount
	Supply contamination
	Other

Upon initiation and termination of Stage IV, the utility will mail a public announcement to its customers. Notice to TCEQ required.

Requirements for Termination:

Stage IV of the Plan may be rescinded when all of the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to exist for a period of three (3) consecutive days. Upon termination of Stage IV, Stage III becomes operative.

Operational Measures:

The utility shall visually inspect lines and repair leaks on a daily basis. Flushing is prohibited except for dead end mains and only between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. Emergency interconnects or alternative supply arrangements shall be initiated. All meters shall be read as often as necessary to insure compliance with this program for the benefit of all the customers.

Mandatory Water Use Restrictions: (all outdoor use of water is prohibited)

- I. Irrigation of landscaped areas is absolutely prohibited.
- 2. Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is absolutely prohibited.

SYSTEM OUTAGE or SUPPLY CONTAMINATION

Notify TCEQ Regional Office immediately.

APPENDIX A -- APPLICATION FOR SERVICE (Utility Must Attach Blank Copy)

SWEA GARDENS ESTATES UTILITY

APPLICATION FOR WATER SERVICE

NAME (PLEASE PRII	NT)	SERVICE A	DDRESS	DAYTIME F	PHONE NO.
MAILING ADDRESS		CITY	ZIP E	MAIL ADDRESS (OPTIONAL)
DEPOSIT AMT	DATE PAID	SERV DATE	BUYING	RENTING	LEASING
OWNER'S NAME	100 M	OWNER'S	ADDRESS	PH	ONE NUMBER
CITY, STATE		ZIP			
IF COMMERCIAL, NA					
	5	SIGNATURE			
	PLEASE SEI	ND \$50 DEPOSIT	WITH THE APP	LICATION	

P O BOX 40526 • HOUSTON, TX • 77240-0526 PHONE: (713) 937-1959 • FAX: (713) 937-1956

SWEA GARDENS ESTATES UTILITY

SERVICE AGREEMENT

- I. PURPOSE. Swea Gardens Estates Utility (the "System") is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution which could result from improper plumbing practices. The purpose of this service agreement is to notify each customer of the plumbing restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The System enforces these restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The System enforces these restrictions to ensure the public health and welfare. Each customer must sign this agreement before the System will begin service. In addition, when service to an existing connection has been suspended or terminated, the water system will not re-establish service unless it has a signed copy of this agreement.
- II. PLUMBING RESTRICTIONS. The following undesirable plumbing practices are prohibited by State regulations.
 - A. No direct connection between the public drinking water supply and a potential source of contamination is permitted. Potential sources of contamination shall be isolated from the public water system by an air-gap or an appropriate backflow prevention device.
 - B. No cross-connection between the public drinking water supply and a private water system is permitted. These potential threats to the public drinking water supply shall be eliminated at the service connection by the installation of an air-gap or a reduced pressure-zone prevention device.
 - C. No connection which allows water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
 - D. No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more than 8.0% lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at nay connection which provides water for human use.
 - E. No solder or flux which contains more than 0.2 percent lead can be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.

ш.	SERVICE A	GREEMENT.	The	following	are	the	terms	of	the	service	agreement
	between the									Custome	

- A. The System will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Customer and/or the premises is connected to the System's water system.
- B. The Customer shall allow his property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and other undesirable plumbing practices. These inspections shall be conducted by the System or its designated agent prior to initiating service and periodically thereafter. The inspections shall be conducted during the System's normal business hours.
- C. The System shall notify the Customer in writing of any cross-connection or other undesirable plumbing practice which has been identified duing the initial inspection or the periodic reinspection.
- D. The Customer shall immediately correct any undesirable plumbing practice on his premises.

- E. The Customer shall, at his expense, properly install, test on an annual basis, and maintain any backflow prevention device required by the System. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the System.
- IV. ENFORCEMENT. If the Customer fails to comply with the terms of the Service Agreement, the System shall, at its option, either terminate service or properly install, test, and maintain an appropriate backflow prevention device at the service connection. Any expenses associated with the enforcement of this agreement shall be billed to the Customer.

	CUSTOMER SIGNATURE	
DATE:	**************************************	
NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
TELEPHONE NO.:		

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Investigation Report

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Customer: Municipal Operations, LLC Customer Number: CN605108091

Regulated Entity Name: SWEA GARDENS ESTATES Regulated Entity Number: RN101456457

Investigation # 1533288

Incident Numbers

Investigator:

CHARLIE THOMAS

Site Classification P <= 50 CONNECTION

Conducted: 12/14/2018 -- 12/14/2018

NAIC Code: 221310

Program(s):

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/SUPPLY

Investigation Type: Compliance Investigation

Location: KEY MAP 413A

Additional ID(s):

1010218

Address: 410 NOONDAY LN, HOUSTON, TX, 77060

Local Unit: REGION 12 - HOUSTON

PWSCCICMOD - A modified

Activity Type(s):

investigation (sanitary survey) of a community system to determine compliance with applicable

regulations. This activity code should only be used at management direction for fulfilling the federal requirements during periods with declared disas

Principal(s):

Role

Name

RESPONDENT

MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS LLC

Contact(s):

Role PARTICIPATED IN	Title OPERATOR	Name MR SHERMAN D ROBERSON	Phone Work	(281) 367-5511
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REGULATED ENTITY MAIL CONTACT	MEMBER	LONNIE WRIGHT	Cell Office	(713) 857-1420 (281) 367-5511
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PARTICIPATED IN	ASSISTANT COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR	MR CAMERON KING	Cell Fax Office	(832) 797-2170 (281) 367-5517 (281) 367-5511

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Other Staff Member(s):

Role Name

Supervisor DAWN OLIVO
Supervisor LATRICHIA SPIKES
QA Reviewer MELODY KIRKSEY

Associated Check List

<u>Checklist Name</u> <u>Unit Name</u>

PWS GENERIC VIOLATIONS
PWS INVESTIGATION - EQUIPMENT EQUIPMENT

MONITORING AND SAMPLING revised 06/2013

PWS MODIFIED CCI MOD CCI

Investigation Comments:

INTRODUCTION

A Modified Comprehensive Compliance Investigation (Mod CCI) was conducted at Swea Gardens Estates, Public Water Supply (PWS) ID 1010218, on December 14, 2018, by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Environmental Investigator (EI) Charlie Thomas, to determine compliance with applicable PWS regulations. The Mod CCI was coordinated with Mr. John T. Montgomery, Compliance Coordinator with Municipal Operations & Consulting, Inc. (MOC), on December 11, 2018 via telephone.

The investigation was conducted with Mr. Cameron King, Assistant Compliance Coordinator and Mr. Sherman "Doug" Roberson, Operator, all whom are with MOC, the operations company for Swea Gardens Estates.

The exit interview was conducted on December 14, 2018 and the TCEQ Exit Interview Form was emailed to Mr. King on December 14, 2018 (Attachment No. 1).

The investigation included portions of the source water, distribution system, monitoring and reporting, management and operations, and operator compliance.

A Notice of Violation letter was mailed to the water system. A detailed description of the violation listed in the Exit Interview Form is listed in the Alleged Violation section of the Summary of Investigation Findings.

GENERAL FACILITY AND PROCESS INFORMATION

Swea Gardens Estates is a community PWS. The water system maintains one water plant which supplies water to one pressure plane, At Plant No. 1 the regulated entity receives purchase water from Source ID. No. P1010218A. This system serves 42 total connections, with an estimated population of 126 (connection and population data provided by the regulated entity). The water plant serves Swea Gardens Estates subdivision. For additional facility information see the Water System Schematic and Drinking Water Watch (DWW) Summary Shect (Attachment Nos. 2 and 3).

As of the site visit on December 14, 2018, the system meets the minimum capacity requirements for purchase water systems with less than 50 connections. Swea Gardens Estates has a purchase interconnect (I/C) with the City of Houston, PWS No. 1010013, Source ID No. P1010218A. For more detailed information see the water system capacity calculations spreadsheet (Attachment No. 4).

The water system employs the following operator:

Mr. Sherman D. Roberson has a C- ground water license, license number WG0017426, which expires on October 26, 2021.

The operator has the appropriate level of certification for the system.

Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP):

Swea Gardens Estates has not implemented their approved EPP of having a portable generator with a quick-connect system. The facility is not compliant with the emergency power requirements. This is further discussed in the Additional Information section of this report.

Field Monitoring Activities:

At the time of the field investigation, the disinfectant residual concentration and distribution pressure were monitored in the 400 block of Noonday Lane. The location had a 2.3 milligrams per Liter (mg/L) total chlorine residual concentration and a pressure of 48 pounds per square inch (psi). A total chlorine residual was collected at the entry point and results indicated a 3.3 mg/L concentration. The pressure and chlorine readings were compliant.

BACKGROUND

The previous comprehensive compliance investigation (CCI) was conducted on December 5, 2014 through January 22, 2015. Two alleged violations were issued and administratively resolved due to a change of ownership for the system. The alleged violations were for failure to secure a written contract for purchasing water with the City of Houston and failure to acquire TCEQ approval for the interconnection with the City of Houston. Prior to the Mod CCI EI Thomas reviewed a copy of the purchase contract and TCEQ approval letter dated November 16, 2017 for the permanent interconnection with the City of Houston in the regulated entity's regional file folder. See Investigation No. 1211617 for more information.

Swea Gardens Estates has had one complaint within the five years preceding this investigation, alleging that the water system has been on a Boil Water Notice for three and a half years. No alleged violations were issued during the complaint investigation. See Investigation No. 1329468 for more information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following alleged violation was noted on the Exit Interview Form: Failure to meet the requirements of the affected utilities' Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) by providing the option selected in the EPP. The affected utility selected option 4, which as stated in 30 TAC \$290.45(h)(1)(D) is for the use of portable generators capable of serving multiple facilities equipped with quick-connect systems. During the investigation, the regulated entity did not have a revised EPP that represented their change to become a purchase only water system via their approved permanent, open interconnect with the City of Houston, PWS ID No. 1010013, Source ID No. 1010218A. Option 4 is not a viable option for a purchase only water system.

NOV Date

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OUTSTANDING ALLEGED VIOLATION(S)
ASSOCIATED TO A NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Track Number: 700979

Compliance Due Date: 03/14/2019

Violation Start Date: Unknown

30 TAC Chapter 290.45(h)(1)(D)

Alleged Violation:

Investigation: 1533288

Comment Date: 12/17/2018

Failure to meet the requirements of the affected utilities' Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) by providing the option selected in the EPP. The affected utility selected option 4, which is for the use of a portable generator with a quick-connect.

During the investigation conducted on December 14, 2018, the regulated entity did not have a revised EPP that represented their change to become a purchase only water system via their approved permanent open interconnect with the City of Houston, PWS ID No. 1010013, Source ID No. 1010218A.

Recommended Corrective Action: Submit compliance documentation demonstrating corrective measures have been taken to resolve the alleged violation.

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Signed Charles The Environmental Investigator	Date 2-12-19
Signed Augua Supervisor	Date 2/12/2019
Attachments: (in order of final report su	bmittal)
Enforcement Action Request (EAR)	Maps, Plans, Sketches
Letter to Facility (specify type) / V V	Photographs
Investigation Report	Correspondence from the facility
Sample Analysis Results	Other (specify):
Manifests	See attachment summary page
Notice of Registration	7+ 90

Summary of Investigation Findings

SWEA GARDENS ESTATES

Investigation #

410 NOONDAY LN

1533288 Investigation Date: 12/14/2018

HOUSTON, HARRIS COUNTY, TX 77060

Additional ID(s): 1010218

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Recommended Corrective Action: Submit compliance documentation demonstrating corrective measures have been taken to resolve the alleged violation.

Jon Niermann, Chairman
Emily Lindley, Commissioner
Toby Baker, Executive Director



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

February 12, 2019

CERTIFIED MAIL #91 7199 9991 7038 7382 7018 ELECTRONIC RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Lonnie Wright Member Municipal Operations, LLC Post Office Box 1689 Spring, Texas 77383-1700

Re: Notice of Violation for the Modified Comprehensive Compliance Investigation at:

Swea Gardens Estates, 410 Noonday Lane, Houston, Harris County, Texas

Regulated Entity No.:101456457

TCEQ ID No.: 1010218 Investigation No.: 1533288

Dear Mr. Wright:

On December 14, 2018, Mr. Charlie Thomas of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Houston Region Office conducted an investigation of the above-referenced regulated entity to evaluate compliance with applicable requirements for Public Water Supply. Enclosed is a summary which lists the investigation findings. During the investigation, a certain outstanding alleged violation was identified for which compliance documentation is required. Please submit to this office by the compliance due date listed on the Summary of Investigation Findings enclosure, a written description of corrective action taken and the required documentation demonstrating that compliance has been achieved for the outstanding alleged violation.

In the listing of the alleged violation, we have cited applicable requirements, including TCEQ rules. Please note that both the rules themselves and the agency brochure entitled *Obtaining TCEQ Rules* (GI 032) are located on our agency website at http://www.tceq.texas.gov for your reference. If you would like a hard copy of this brochure mailed to you, you may call and request one from either the Houston Region Office at (713) 767-3650 or the Central Office Publications Ordering Team at (512) 239-0028.

The TCEQ appreciates your assistance in this matter. Please note that the Legislature has granted TCEQ enforcement powers which we may exercise to ensure compliance with environmental regulatory requirements. We anticipate that you will resolve the alleged violations as required in order to protect the State's environment. If you have additional information that we are unaware of, you have the opportunity to contest the violations documented in this notice. Should you choose to do so, you must notify the Houston Region Office within 10 days from the date of this letter. At that time, PWS Team Leader Ms. Latrichia Spikes, will schedule a violation review meeting to be conducted within 21 days from the date of this letter. However, please be advised that if you decide to participate in the violation review process, the TCEQ may still require you to adhere to the compliance schedule included in the attached Summary of Investigation Findings until an official decision is made regarding the status of the contested violation.

Mr. Lonnie Wright, Member Page 2 February 12, 2019

If you or members of your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Charlie Thomas in the Houston Region Office at (713) 767-3569.

Sincerely,

Latrichia Spikes Team Leader

Public Water Supply Houston Region Office

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cc: Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services

101 South Richey Street, Suite G, Pasadena, Texas 77506-1023

Mr. John Montgomery, Compliance Coordinator, Municipal Operations & Consulting, Inc. Post Office Box 1689, Spring, Texas 77383-1700

Enclosure: Summary of Investigation Findings

Swea Gardens Estates RN #101456457 PWS ID #1010218 Investigation No.: 1533288 Modified Comprehensive Compliance Investigation

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Exit Interview Form
- 2. Water System Schematic
- 3. Drinking Water Watch (DWW) Summary Sheet
- 4. Capacity calculations spreadsheet

Attachment 1

Charlie Thomas

From:

Charlie Thomas

Sent:

Friday, December 14, 2018 2:17 PM

To:

Cameron King

Subject:

Swea Gardens Estates TCEQ Exit Interview Form

Attachments:

Swea Gardens Estates Exit Interview Form 12.14.2018.pdf

Cameron,

Please see the attached Exit Interview Form noting the alleged violation for the EPP that we discussed during the investigation today (12/14/18).

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

Charlie

Charlie Thomas

Environmental Investigator Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Houston Region 12 • Public Water Supply

Phone: 713-767-3569

Charlie Thomas@tceq.texas.gov

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Did the TCEQ document the regulated entity named above operating without proper authorization?	☐ Yes ☑ No
Did the investigator advise the regulated entity representative that continued operation is not authorized?	☐ Yes ⊠ No

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Charlie Thomas 12/14/18						
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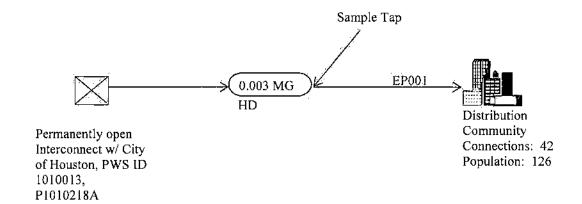
PWS - SYSTEM FLOW DIAGRAM

Name of System:	Swea Gardens Estates		Additional ID:	1010218
Investigation #:	1533288	Investigation Date:	12/14/2018	

Description of Sources, Treatment, Entry Points and Distribution

Labeling: owner's source names and TCEQ wtrsrc code designation, types of treatment and chemicals, entry points to distribution, entry point sample taps, booster disinfection, distribution connections and layout (if possible).

Location: 410 Noonday Lane





Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Office of Water	Public Drinking Water Section
County Map of TX	Water System Search	Office of Compliance and Enforcement

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PWS ID	PWS Name	Central Registry RN
TX1010218	SWEA GARDENS ESTATES	RN101456457

Organization/Customer *	Central Registry CN
MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS LLC	CN605108091

^{*}Regulatory mail will be addressed to this organization/person

	All Water System Contacts							
Type	Contact	Communication						
		Electronic Type	Value					
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AC - Administrative	WRIGHT, LONNIE Po box 1689	BUS - Business	281-367-0047					
Contact - DISTRICT	SPRING, TX 77383-1700	BUS - Business	281-367-5511					
OPERATOR	5FRING, 1A //363-1/00	FAX - Facsimile	281-367-5517					
Nember		MOB - Mobile	713-857-1420					
	MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS							
OW Ourse	LLC							
OW - Owner	PO BOX 1689							
	SPRING, TX 77383-1700							
		Electronic Type	Value					
PWS - Public Water	MONTGOMERY, JOHN, T	Phone Type	Value					
System Contact -	PO BOX 1689	BUS - Business	281-367-5511					
OPERATOR-	SPRING, TX 77383-1700	FAX - Facsimile	281-367-5517					
Compliance Coordinator	·	MOB - Mobile	281-217-1031					

Operator Grade	Number
WATER OPERATIONS COMPANY	1



Summation (Activity Status)

Point

Status)

CURRI		MUNICIPAL OPER		_				160	
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Investo	r Owned	INVESTOR OWN PRIVATE, STAT	ED, M E GOV	/EF	NICIPA RNMEN	LITY, NATE	ATIVE ATIVE	AMERICAN PLY CORPO	, DRATION
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1/22/20		PATRICIA BLACK	WEII			Sanitary		Region HOUSTON	County
2/29/20		MAGGIE, ARMST	_		IGHT	Sanitary		HOUSTON	
	Visit Data	, , HUVID I		1 17		Bamary	Burvey	LICOSTON	FIXION
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Sample Point

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EP001	Cround Waton(A)	PLANT - 410 NÖÖNDAY LN(A)	TP5436		NO		NO
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Train:	Unnamed			
			(Treatme	nts)
Disinfection Zone	Treatment Sequence	Objective	Process	Treatment
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null -	null	e	445	TNHIBITOR, ORTHOPHOSPHATE

	(Active Sources)							
Source Number	Source Name (Acti	vity Status)	Operational Status	Source Type	Depth	Tested GPM	Rated GPM	
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07/01/1981		СНІСОТ						
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Source Number	Source Name (Acti	vity Status)	Operational Status	Source Type	Depth	Tested GPM	Rated GPM	
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Drill Date		Source Summary						
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GPS Latitude (decimal)	GPS Longitude (decimal)	GPS Elevation	GPS Date	Seller				
					TX	<u> 1010013</u>		

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SourceNumber Name Status Dept	Depth	Status	Name	SourceNumber

Monitoring Type Codes: (GW) GROUNDWATER, (GUP) GROUNDWATER UNDER THE INFLUENCE - PURCHASED, (SWP) SURFACE WATER - PURCHASED, (GU) GROUNDWATER UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF SURFACE WATER, (N) NO SOURCES, (SW) SURFACE WATER

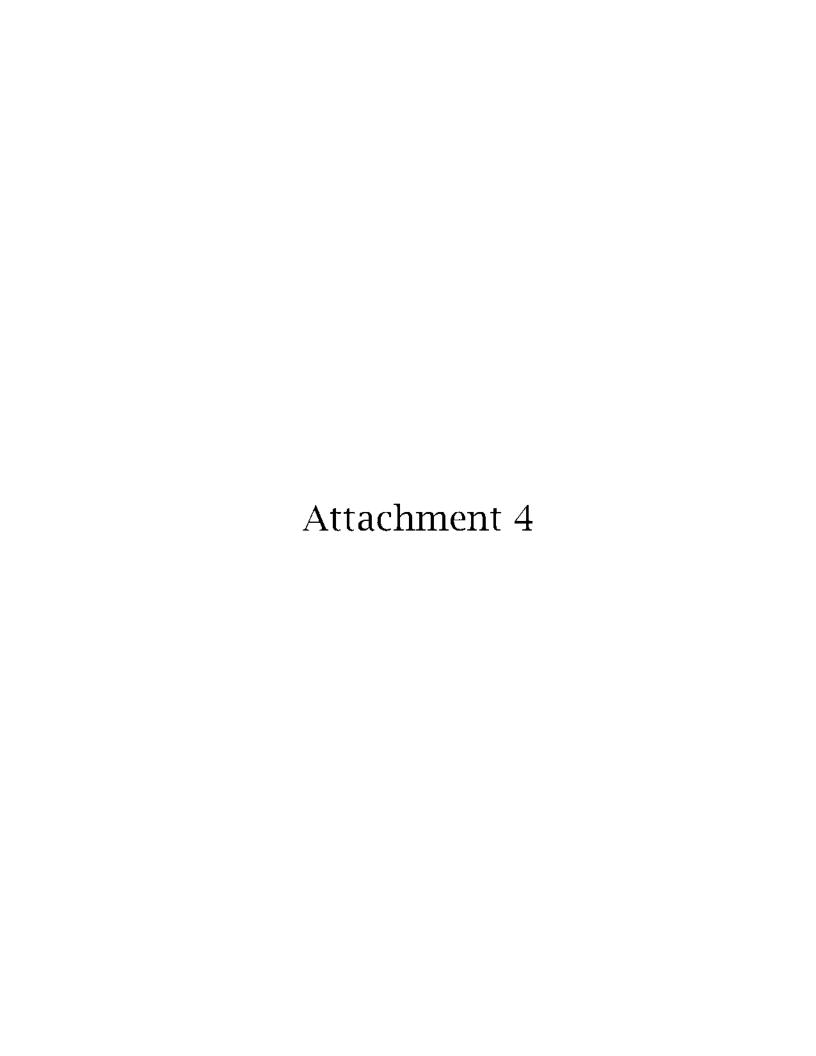
Activity Status Codes: (A) ACTIVE, (D) DELETED/DISSOLVED, (I) INACTIVE, (P) PROPOSED,

Operational Status Codes: (E) EMERGENCY, (I) INTERIM/PEAK (O) OTHER, (P) PERMANENT, (S) SEASONAL

Source Types: (G) GROUND WATER, (S) SURFACE WATER, (U) GROUND WATER UNDER THE INFLUENCE

- End of Report -

At the time of your query this data was the most current information available from our database, which is in real time. Every effort was made to retrieve it according to your query. Thank-you for using DWW.



Capacity Calculations Worksheet

Community Systems (Groundwater)

Fill in green cells only

System Name:	Swea Gardens	Estates
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PWS ID:	1010218	Inv.	No.:	1533288

Community (Y/N) MHP (≥ 8 units/ac) or Apts? (Y/N) Ν CCN? (Y/N) N

> Number of Connections 42 Population 126

Maximum Daily Demand (MDD):		MGD	
Average Daily Demand (ADD):		290.38(43)	
		•	
MDD Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	:		
ADD Dates (mm/dd/yyyy):	±.	to	

	Rate	Units	Conn.	Required	Units	Provided	85% Rule	% Short	Sufficient?(Y/N)
Prod. Capacity:	0.6	gpm/conn	42	25.2	gpm	30.5	N/A	N/A	Υ
Production ACR:	0.6	gpm/conn							
Pressure Storage (HD):	50	gal/conn	42	0.0021	MG	0.003	N/A	N/A	Υ
HD ACR:		gal/conn						•	
Elevated Storage (EL):	0	gal/conn	42	0	MG		N/A	N/A	N/A
EL ACR:		gal/conn							
Ground Storage (GR):	•	_		-					
Total Storage*:	N/A	gal/conn	42	0	MG	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tot. Storage ACR:		gal/conn		•		•			
	*Total Stora	ge = GR + EL	+ ST			_			
SP Capacity:	0	gpm/conn	42	0	gpm		N/A	N/A	N/A
SP ACR:		gpm/conn		,					
SP Capacity:	(w/largest p	oump out of s	ervice)		gpm				
SP Peaking Factor:	N/A	-	42	0	gph	0	N/A		N/A

Bacti Samples:

Wholesale Contract? (Y/N) Ν Maximum Purchase Rate? 0.0423 MGD

_	Required	Submitted
Distribution	1	1
Raw	0	. 0

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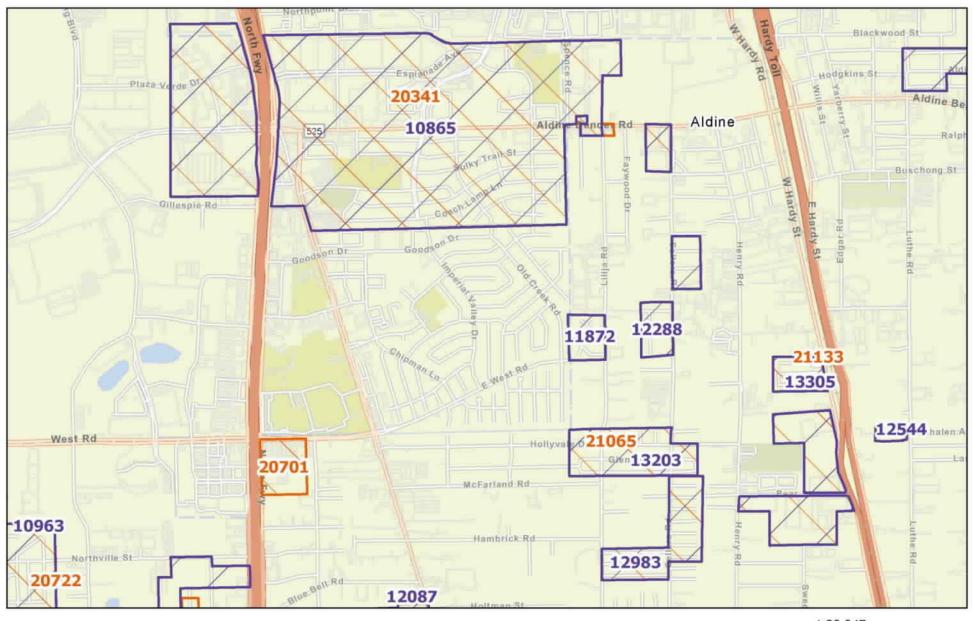
System Name: Swea Gardens Estates

	
PWS ID: 1010218	Inv. No.: 1533288

Δddi	itional	l Com	ments:

Swea Gardens Estates has a purchase agreement with the City of Houston (PWS ID. 1010013) which states a
maximum monthly amount of 1.32 million gallons. 1,320,000 gallons per month/ 30 days/month/ 1400
mins/day = 30.5 gallons per minute

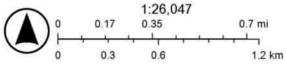
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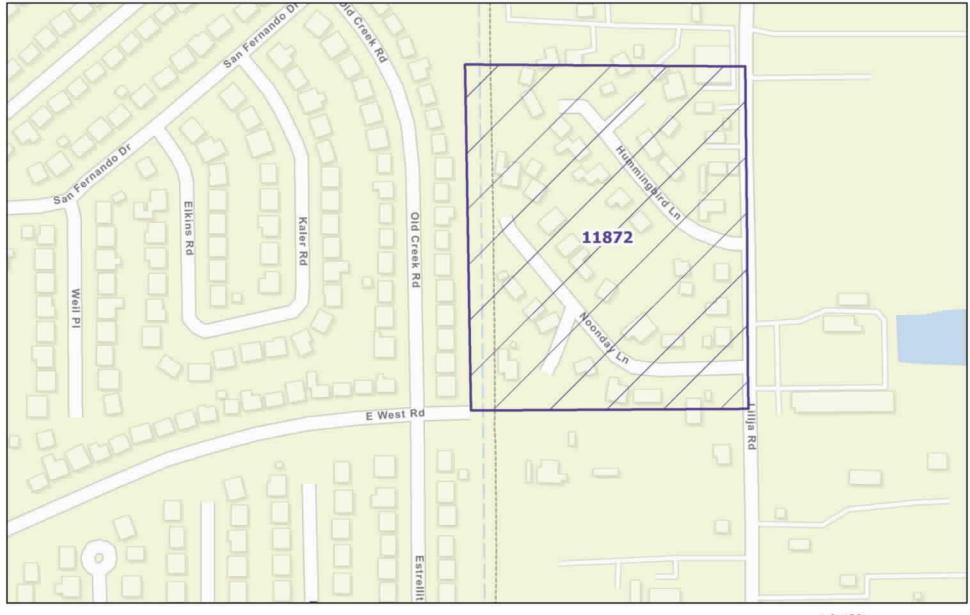
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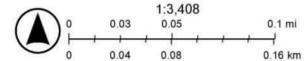
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