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CAPTION:

Docket No. 55392 – Application of Paul H. Krebs d/b/a K Lake Water System and Padok Utility and East Houston Utilities, Inc. for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of Facilities and Certificate

Rights in Harris County

DESCRIPTION:

Chairman Thomas Gleeson Memorandum

Public Utility Commission of Texas

Commissioner Memorandum

TO: Commissioner Kathleen Jackson

Commissioner Courtney K. Hjaltman

FROM: Chairman Thomas J. Gleeson

DATE: April 23, 2025

RE: April 24, 2025 Open Meeting – Item No. 06

Docket No. 55392 - Application of Paul H. Krebs dba K Lake Water System and Padok Utility and East Houston Utilities, Inc. for Sale, Transfer, or Merger of

Facilities and Certificate Rights in Harris County

The proposed order filed in this docket would approve the sale and transfer of the utility facilities and certificate rights owned by the estate of Paul H. Krebs to East Houston Utilities, Inc. I agree with this outcome and would adopt the proposed order. However, if the order is adopted, I recommend the Commission modify the order's findings addressing the feasibility of obtaining service for an adjacent retail public utility.

The proposed order includes a finding that obtaining service from an adjacent retail public utility would likely increase costs to customers because new facilities would need to be constructed to provide service. The proposed order also includes a finding that it is not feasible to obtain service from an adjacent retail public utility. There is insufficient evidence to support either of these findings. Accordingly, I recommend the following changes be made to findings of fact 46 and 47.

- 46. Obtaining service from an adjacent retail public utility would likely may increase costs to customers because if new facilities would need to be constructed to provide service; at a minimum, an interconnection would need to be installed to connect to a neighboring retail public utility.
- 47. It is not may not be feasible to obtain service from an adjacent retail public utility.

I look forward to discussing this matter with you at the upcoming open meeting.