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APPLICATION OF SHOREWOOD	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
FOREST WATER SYSTEM FOR A	§	
CLASS D RATE ADJUSTMENT	§	OF TEXAS

ORDER NO. 2 DENYING EXTENSION REQUEST

On August 25, 2023, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 1, directing Commission Staff to file comments on the administrative completeness of the application and notice by September 25, 2023, under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.49(e). On September 25, 2023, Commission Staff requested a 30-day extension to resolve discrepancies in the application.

Under 16 TAC § 24.49(e), Commission Staff must file a recommendation stating whether the application should be deemed administratively complete within 30 days of the filing of the application. If the application contains deficiencies, the application may be rejected and the effective date suspended until the deficiencies are corrected. In order to grant the extension Commission Staff requests, the ALJ would have to grant a good cause exception to the requirement of 16 TAC § 24.49(e), but Commission Staff did not ask for a good cause exception, did not state any grounds for such an exception, and did not identify a legal basis by which a good cause exception could be granted. Accordingly, the request for an extension is denied.

By September 29, 2023, Commission Staff must file comments on the administrative completeness of the application. Further, if Commission Staff recommends that the application be deemed administratively complete, Commission Staff must also file a recommendation on final disposition, including, if necessary, all information required by 16 TAC § 24.49(e)(1)-(3), and prepare a draft notice that complies with 16 TAC § 24.49(f)(2).

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¹ 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.8(b).

Signed at Austin, Texas on the 27th day of September 2023.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

REBECCA BROMLEY-WILLIAMS ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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