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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

- L. **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.

HEARING ON THE MERITS: 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>FAQ:</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

<u>Transferor</u>: Seller <u>Transferee</u>: Purchaser

CCN: Certificate of Convenience and Necessity

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

			Application	Summary		
Transferor:		/ ING				
(selling entity) CCN No.s:						
	Sale	▼ Transfer	Merger	Consolidation	Lease/Rental	
Transferee:	NEW W	ATER SYSTEMS, IN	IC.			
(acquiring entity) CCN No.s:	New Ut	ility				
	Water	Sewer	X <u>All</u> CCN	Portion CCN	Facilities transfer	
County(ies):	FRIO					
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Contract, Lea	se, Purchas	e, or Sale Agreement	Part A: 0	Question 1		
Tariff including				Question 4		
List of Custor		ts		Question 5		
Partnership A		1 D I (WGO)		Question 7		
X Certificate of		and By-Laws (WSC)		Question 7 Question 7		
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X Application A		Λ&В		Question 10		
Disclosure of				Question 10		
Capital Impro				Question 10		
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Enforcement				Question 18 (Part D: Q12)		
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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:
	New Water Systems, Inc. is purchasing DERBY ING, CCN # 12931 including facilities, distribution system and appurtenances. All land use in the area affected will remain the same with no change.
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: DERBY ING
	(individual, corporation, or other legal entity)
	☐ Individual ☐ Corporation ☐ WSC ☐ Other: LLC
	B. Mailing Address: PO BOX 721025, MCALLEN, TX 78504
	Phone: (956) 960-3201 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: Dario V Guerra III Title: Responsible Party
	Mailing Address: PO BOX 721025, MCALLEN, TX 78504
	Phone: (956) 960-3201 Email: BGDWAR3@aol.com
4.	If the utility to be transferred is an Investor Owned Utility (IOU), for the most recent rate change, attach a copy of the
	current tariff and complete A through B:
	A. Effective date for most recent rates: 5/6/2014
	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: 37550-S
	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 42
	# 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: NEW WATER SYSTEMS INC.
	Individual (individual, corporation, or other legal entity) Corporation WSC Other:
	B. Mailing Address: 333 CYPRESS RUN, STE 146, HOUSTON, TX 77094
_	Phone: (281) 606-5461 Email: office@newwatersystem.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: CHRISTOPHER MARTIN Title: OWNER
	Address: PO BOX 317, BARKER, TX 77413
	Phone: (713) 367-1468 Email: chris@newwatersystem.com
	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)
\geq	Corporation
_	Charter number (as recorded with the Texas Secretary of State): 804796824
	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)
Г	Municipally-owned utility
	District (MUD, SUD, WCID, FWSD, etc.)

County		
Affecte	ed County (a county to which Subchapter B, Ch	apter 232, Local Government Code, applies)
Other (please explain):	
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	ansferee operates under any d/b/a, provide the i	name below:
Name.	DERBI NVVS	
member Name:	rs, or partners of the legal entity applying for the CHRISTOPHER MARTIN	
Position:	OWNER	Ownership % (if applicable); 50%
Address:	PO BOX 317, BARKER, TX 77413	
Phone:	(713) 367-1468	Email: chris@newwatersystem.com
Name:	LISA KING	
Position:		Ownership % (if applicable): 50%
Address:	PO BOX 317, BARKER, TX 77413	
Phone:	(281) 606-5461	Email: office@newwatersystem.com
Name:		
Position:		Ownership % (if applicable): 0.00%
Address:		
Phone:		Email:
Name:		
Position:		Ownership % (if applicable): 0.00%
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Phone:		Email:

10. Financial Information

The transferee Applicant must provide accounting information typically included within a balance sheet, income statement, and statement of eash 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 eash 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>Proj</u>	ected 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	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.	Δ.	Proposed Purchase Price: \$ 1
11.		
		transferee Applicant is an investor owned utility (IOU) provide answers to B through D.
	В.	Transferee has a copy of an inventory list of assets to be transferred (attach):
		No Yes N/A
		Total Original Cost of Plant in Service:\$
		Accumulated Depreciation:\$
		Net Book Value: _\$
		<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: \$
	-	Developer CIAC: 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.	to	are any improvements or construction required to meet the minimum requirements of the TCEQ or Commission and be ensure continuous and adequate service to the requested area to be transferred plus any area currently certificated to the transferred Applicant? Attach supporting documentation and any necessary TCEQ approvals, if applicable.
		X No Yes

	B . If yes, describe the source and availability of funds planned or required improvements:	and provide an estimated timeline for the construction of any
13.	Provide any other information concerning the nature	of the transaction you believe should be given consideration:
	well as training and process development pr	perational and Administrative oversight for water utlities as ocedures for all sectors. We provide a high level of distribution system on repairs and maintenance as
14.	acquisition. Debits (positive numbers) should equal	low) as shown in the books of the Transferee (purchaser) after the credits (negative numbers) so that all line items added together equal are suggested only, and not intended to pose descriptive limitations:
	Utility Plant in Service:	\$ 0
	Accumulated Depreciation of Plant:	\$ 0
	Cash:	\$ 0
		<u>\$</u> 0
		\$ 0
	(Proposed) Acquisition Adjustment*:	
	Other (NARUC account name & No.):	0
	Other (NARUC account name & No.):	0
15,		f the acquiring entity is an IOU, the IOU may not change the rates clication. Rates can only be changed through the approval of a rate
	New Water Systems, Inc. does not plan to ch	ange the rates at this time.
		transferee intends to file with the Commission, or an applicable o change rates for some or all of its customers as a result of the provide details below:
	No	

	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:
	New Water Systems, Inc. will provide a high level of service to the customers and promptly deal with and service issues along with scheduled maintenance of the facilities and regulatory compliance with respective agencies.
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.
	New Water Systems, Inc. provides maintenance, compliance, and customer support to several water utilities in Texas, including CCNs 13001, 13223, 13287, and two others currently in the process of obtaining CCN numbers. The company enjoys helping underserved communities once again begin to thrive and providing responsive customer care.
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:
	There will be no change with respect to the environmental integrity of the land.
20.	How will the proposed transaction serve the public interest?
	The quality of service will remain at a high level. Any service issue which may arise along with scheduled facilities maintenance and compliance will be promptly dealt with.
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:
	N/A WITHIN 2 MILES

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22	•	*	ore sp.	ace for additional systems	being transferred.
22.	A. For Public Water System				// 41-14 DM
	TO	CEQ PWS Identification Num			(7 digit ID)
		Name of P	WS: _	DERBY ING	
	Date of l	ast TCEQ compliance inspect	tion: _		(attach TCEQ letter)
		Subdivisions ser	ved: _	COMMUNITY OF ENGLISH ACRES	3
	B. For Sewer service:				
	TCEO Water Quality	(WQ) Discharge Permit Num	ıber:	WO -	(8 digit ID)
			_	S.	
	Date of I	ast TCEQ compliance inspect	tion:		(attach TCEQ letter)
	Date of application to tra	ansfer permit <u>submitted</u> to TC			
23.	List the number of <u>existing</u> conne	ections, by meter/connection t	type, to	be affected by the propose	d transaction:
	Water			Sewer	
	Non-metered	2"		Residential	
	42 5/8" or 3/4"	3"		Commercial	
	1"	4" Other		Industrial Other	
	Total Water Conne		38	Total Sewer Connectio	ns:
24.	No Yes B. Provide details on each re-	quired to meet TCEQ or Com quired major capital improver tach any engineering reports o	nent ne	ecessary to correct deficient	cies to meet the TCEQ or
	Description of the Cap	oital Improvement:	Esti	mated Completion Date:	Estimated Cost:
	TESTING, REPORTING, LAB TESTING, CHLORINATION	I. WELL AND TANK REPAIRS, LCLR INVENTORY		March 1, 2025	\$ 978,000.00
	C. Is there a moratoriu	um on new connections?			
25.	Does the system being transferred	l operate within the corporate	bound	laries of a municipality?	
	No Y	es:			(name of municipality)
				f customers within the muni	<u> </u>
		•		Sewer:	-
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26.	A.	Does the	system being tra	ansferred pu	irchase water or	sewer treatment ca	apacity from anoth	ier source?
		No No	Yes:	If yes, atta	ach a copy of pur	rchase agreement o	or contract.	
	Capa	acity is purchase	d from:					
			,	Water:				
			:	Sewer:				
	В.	Is the PV	WS required to pu	irchase wat	er to meet capac	ity requirements o	r drinking water s	tandards?
		No	Yes					
	C.					nt purchased, per water or sewer tre		ontract? What is
				Amount	t in Gallons		f demand]
			Water: Sewer:				0% 0%	-
	D.	Will the	1	ent or cont	ract he transferre	ed to the Transfere		J
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		∐ No	Yes:					
27.	Does tarea?	the PWS or sewe	r treatment plant	have adequ	nate capacity to r	neet the current ar	nd projected demai	nds in the requested
		☐ No	Yes:					
28.		e name, class, ar utility service:	nd TCEQ license	number of	the operator that	will be responsible	le for the operation	ns of the water or
		Name (as it app	ears on license)	Class	License No.		Water or	r Sewer
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29.	A.					ut a CCN boundar		
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		i			ip, graphic, or og document.	diagram of the re	equested area is r	not considered an

- iii. 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: 86
	Number of customer connections in the requested area: 42
	Affected subdivision: City of Derby
	The closest city or town: Derby
	Approximate mileage to closest city or town center: 8 miles
	Direction to closest city or town: South to Dilley
	The requested area is generally bounded on the North by: County Road 400 and County Road 3414
	on the <u>East</u> by: County Road 3420
	on the South by:
	on the West by:
31.	A copy of the proposed map will be available at: attached
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 HIDALGO DARIO V. GUERRA being duly sworn, file this application for sale, merger, consolidation, acquisition, lease, or DERBY ING 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 20 of 12 , 2022 HECTOR RAMON HERNANDEZ JR ommission Expires August 2, 2026 My commission expires:

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Oath for Transferee (Acquiring Entity) STATE OF **TEXAS** COUNTY OF HARRIS CHRISTOPHER MARTIN being duly sworn, file this application for sale, transfer, merger, consolidation, acquisition, lease, or rental, as OWNER (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. (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 19.44 of lohammad Reza Madanizadeh Ay Commission Expires 12/6/2025 Notary ID134088440 NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NOTARY 12-6-2026 My commission expires: PUCT Sale, Transfer, Merger Page 14 of 20 (September 2019)

Appendix B: Projected Information								
HISTORICAL BALANCE SHEETS (ENTER DATE OF YEAR END)	CURRENT(A) (1 - 1 -24)	A-1 YEAR (1-1-25)	A-2 YEAR (1- 1- 26)	A-3 YEAR (1-1-27)	A-4 YEAR (1 -1 - 28)	A-5 YEAR (1-1-29)		
CURRENT ASSETS								
Cash	4317	9317	14317	19317	24317	29317		
Accounts Receivable	22176	24948	27941	31172	34656	38411		
Inventories	0	2500	3500	4500	5500	6500		
Income Tax Receivable								
Other								
A. Total Current Assets	26493	36765	45758	54989	64473	74228		
FIXED ASSETS								
Land	8650	9082	9536	10013	10514	11039		
Collection/Distribution System	526482	526482	526482	526482	526482	526482		
Buildings	23320	23320	23320	23320	23320	23320		
Equipment	171470	171470	171470	171470	171470	171470		
Other								
Less: Accum. Depreciation or Reserves								
B. Total Fixed Assets	729992	730354	730808	731285	731786	732311		
C. TOTAL Assets (A + B)	756485	767119	776566	786274	796259	806539		
CURRENT LIABILITIES								
Accounts Payable	6000	6600	7200	7800	8400	9000		
Notes Payable, Current								
Accrued Expenses								
Other								
D. Total Current Liabilities	6000	6600	7200	7800	8400	9000		
LONG TERM LIABILITIES								
Notes Payable, Long-term								
Other								
E. Total Long Term Liabilities								
F. TOTAL LIABILITIES (D + E)	6000	6600	7200	7800	8400	9000		
OWNER'S EQUITY	10000000							
Paid in Capital								
Retained Equity	750485	760519	769366	778474	787859	797539		
Other								
Current Period Profit or Loss								
G. TOTAL OWNER'S EQUITY	750485	760519	769366	778474	787859	797539		
TOTAL LIABILITIES+EQUITY (F + G) = C	756485	767119	776566	786274	796259	806539		
WORKING CAPITAL (A – D)	20493	30165	38558	47189	56073	65228		
CURRENT RATIO (A / D)	4.42	5.57	6.36	7.05	7.66			
DEBT TO EQUITY RATIO (F / G)	0	0	0	0	0	0		

PRO	JECTED NET	INCOME I	NFORMAT	ION		
(ENTER DATE OF YEAR END)	CURRENT(A) (1- 1- 24	A-1 YEAR (1-1-25)	A-2 YEAR (1-1-26)	A-3 YEAR (1-1-27)	A-4 YEAR (1-1-28)	A-5 YEAR (1-1-29)
METER NUMBER						
Existing Number of Taps	42	45	48	51	54	57
New Taps Per Year	3	3	3	3	3	3
Total Meters at Year End	45	48	51	54	57	60
METER REVENUE						
Revenue per Meter (use for projections)	528	554.4	582.12	611.23	641.79	673.88
Expense per Meter (use for projections)	14.28	15	15.74	16.53	17.35	18.23
Operating Revenue Per Meter	513.72	539.4	566.38	594.70	624.44	655.65
GROSS WATER REVENUE						
Revenues- Base Rate & Gallonage Fees	22176	24948	27941	31172	34656	38411
Other (Tap, reconnect, transfer fees, etc)	2865	2865	2865	2865	2865	2865
Gross Income	25041	27813	30806	34037	37521	41276
EXPENSES						
General & Administrative (see schedule)	5237	5537	5837	6137	6437	6737
Operating (see schedule)	1000	1300	1600	1900	2200	2500
Interest						
Other (list)						
NET INCOME	15939	20976	23369	26000	28884	32039

PROJECTED EXPENSE DETAIL	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	TOTALS
GENERAL/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES						
Salaries						
Office						
Computer						
Auto						
Insurance						
Telephone						
Utilities						
Depreciation						
Property Taxes	237	237	237	237	237	237
Professional Fees	5000	5300	5600	5900	6200	6500
Interest						
Other						
Total	5237	5537	5837	6137	6437	6737
% Increase Per projected Year		5	5	5	5	5
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES						
Salaries						
Auto						
Utilities						
Depreciation						
Repair & Maintenance	500	650	800	950	1100	1250
Supplies	500	650	800	950	1100	1250
Interest						
Other						
Total	1000	1300	1600	1900	2200	2500

PROJECTED SOURCES AND USES OF	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	TOTALS
CASH STATEMENTS						
SOURCES OF CASH						
Net Income	15939	20976	23369	26000	28884	32039
Depreciation (If funded by revenues of system)						
Loan Proceeds						
Other						
Total Sources	15939	20976	23369	26000	28884	32039
USES OF CASH						
Net Loss						
Principle Portion of Pmts.						
Fixed Asset Purchase						
Reserve		5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
Other						
Total Uses		5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
NET CASH FLOW	15939	15976	18369	21000	23884	27039
DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE						
Cash Available for Debt Service (CADS)						
A: Net Income (Loss)						
B: Depreciation, or Reserve Interest						
C: Total CADS $(A + B = C)$	0	0	0	0	0	0
D: DEBT SERVICE (DS)						
Principle Plus Interest						
E: DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE RATIO						
CADS Divided by DS $(E = C / D)$	0	0	0	0	0	0

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General Location Map



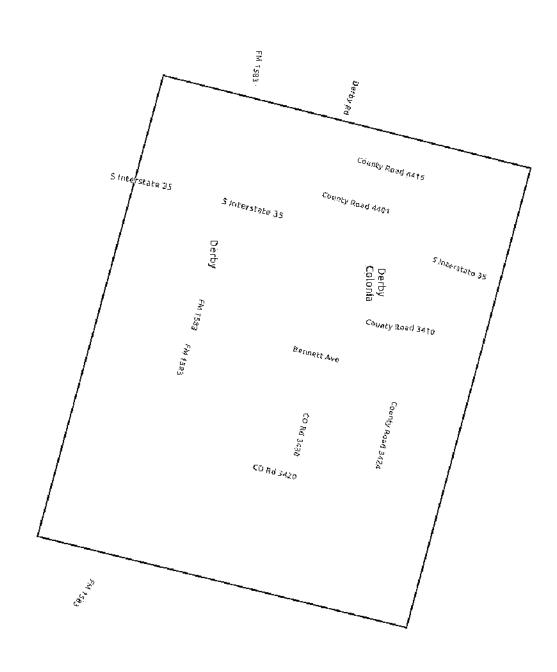
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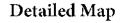
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TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

To:	Tariff Coordinator Utilities Financial Review Team
Thru:	Tammy Benter, Manager Utilities and Districts Section
From:	Elizabeth Flores Utilities Financial Review Team Water Supply Division
Date:	May 6, 2014
Subject:	Request for Tariff Approval Stamp Utility Name: Dario V. Guerra, III dba Derby, Ing. CCN Number: 12931 Application/Docket Number: 37550-S
Attached, pl	ease find:
A.	A tariff for a utility reflecting the results of a rate case approved by the Commission (contested).
В.	A tariff for a utility reflecting rates effective by Operation of Law i.e. no protests received nor hearing requested (uncontested).
C.	A tariff for a utility with minor tariff changes allowed under TCEQ Rule $291.21(b)(2)$.
D.	A utility tariff submitted in a CCN application.
_X E.	A tariff for a utility submitted in a report of sale and/or transfer of CCN application.
F.	Other
_X G.	Comments regarding any of the above or any related tariff on file: This is a newly created IOU tariff as the prior holder of CCN No. 12931 was a Water Supply Corporation.
	wed the above tariff and I recommend it be stamped APPROVED. Date roval: May 6, 2014
(Signature)	
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WATER UTILITY TARIFF FOR

<u>Dario V. Guerra, III dba Derby, Ing.</u> (Utility Name)

P.O. Box 721025 (Business Address)

McAllen, Texas 78504 (City, State, Zip Code) (956) 960-3201 (Area Code/Telephone)

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

12931

This tariff is effective in the following county(ies):

<u>Frio</u>

This tariff is effective in the following cities or unincorporated towns (if any):

N/A

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

Derby WSC, PWS # 0820016

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SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE

Section 1.01 - Rates

<u>Meter Size</u>	Monthly Mir	<u>nimum Charge</u>	Gallonage Charge
	(Includes 2,50	00 gallons)	
5/8" or 3/4" residential	\$ <u>40.00</u>	\$ <u>2.00</u> per 1000 gallons, from 2	2,501 to 10,000 gallons
5/8" or 3/4" commercial	\$ <u>80.00</u>	\$3.00 per 1000 gallons, from 10	0,001 to 20,000 gallons
*1"	\$ <u>100.00</u>	\$4 <u>.00</u> per 1000 gallons, from 2	0,001 gallons and over
*1½ "	\$ <u>120.00</u>		
*2"	\$ <u>140.00</u>		
*4"	\$ <u>160.00</u>		
*6"	\$ <u>180.00</u>		
*8"	\$ <u>200.00</u>		

^{*}base rate for residential and commercial

FORM OF PAYMENT: The utility will accept the following forms of payment:

Cash_X_, Check_X_, Money Order_X_, Credit Card___,Other (specify)___

THE UTILITY MAY REQUIRE EXACT CHANGE FOR PAYMENTS AND MAY REFUSE TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS MADE USING MORE THAN \$1.00 IN SMALL COINS. A WRITTEN RECEIPT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CASH PAYMENTS.

Section 1.02 - Miscellaneous Fees

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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) Non payment of bill (Maximum \$25.00)
TRANSFER FEE
LATE CHARGE (EITHER \$5.00 OR 10% OF THE BILL)
RETURNED CHECK CHARGE
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RESIDENTIAL (Maximum \$50)
COMMERCIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT 1/6TH OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL BILL
GOVERNMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION AND COSTS SURCHARGE: WHEN AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY TCEQ AND AFTER NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS, THE UTILITY MAY INCREASE RATES TO RECOVER INCREASED COSTS FOR INSPECTION FEES AND WATER TESTING. [30 TAC 291.21(K)(2)]
LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES: REFER TO SECTION 3.0EXTENSION POLICY FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND CHARGES

WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SERVICE.

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SECTION 2.0 -- SERVICE RULES AND POLICIES

The utility will have the most current Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Rules, Chapter 291, Water Utility Regulation, 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 2.01 - Application for 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, any required fees (deposits, reconnect, tap, extension fees, etc. as applicable) will be paid and easements, if required, will be granted before service is provided by the utility. A separate application or contract will be made for each service location.

Section 2.02 - 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 TCEQ 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.

<u>Section 2.03 - Fees and Charges & Easements Required Before Service Can Be</u> <u>Connected</u>

(A) 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 TCEQ Rules.

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.

<u>Refund of deposit.</u> - 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.

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(B) Tap or Reconnect Fees

A new customer requesting service at a location where service has not previously been provided must pay a tap fee as provided in Section 1. A customer requesting service where service has previously been provided must pay a reconnect fee as provided in Section 1. Any applicant or existing customer required to pay for any costs not specifically set forth in the rate schedule pages of this tariff shall be given a written explanation of such costs prior to request for payment and/or commencement of construction. If the applicant or existing customer does not believe that these costs are reasonable or necessary, the applicant or existing customer shall be informed of their right to appeal such costs to the TCEQ or such other regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the utility's rates in that portion of the utility's service area in which the applicant's or existing customer's property(ies) is located.

Fees in addition to the regular tap fee may be charged if listed specifically in Section 1 to cover unique costs not normally incurred as permitted by 30 TAC 291.86(a)(1)(C). For example, a road bore for customers outside a subdivision or residential area could be considered a unique cost.

(C) Easement Requirement

Where recorded public utility easements on the service applicant's property do not exist or public road right-of-way easements are not available to access the applicant's property, the Utility may require the applicant to provide it with a permanent recorded public utility easement on and across the applicant's real property sufficient to provide service to that applicant. Such easement(s) shall not be used for the construction of production, storage, transmission or pressure facilities unless they are needed for adequate service to that applicant.

Section 2.04 - Utility Response to Applications for Service

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.

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

Section 2.05 - Customer Responsibility

The customer will be responsible for furnishing and laying the necessary customer service pipe from the meter location to the place of consumption. Customers will not be allowed to use the utility's cutoff valve on the utility's side of the meter. Existing customers may install cutoff valves on their side of the meter and are encouraged to do so. All new customers may be required to install and maintain a cutoff valve on their side of the meter.

No direct connection between a public water supply system and any potential source of contamination or between a public water supply system and a private water source (ex. private well) will be allowed. A customer shall not connect, or allow any other person or party to connect, onto any water lines on his premises.

Section 2.06 - Customer Service Inspections

Applicants for new service connections or facilities which have undergone extensive plumbing modifications are required to furnish the utility a completed customer service inspection certificate. The inspection certificate shall certify that the establishment is in compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems, Section 290.46(j). The Utility is not required to perform these inspections for the applicant/customer, but will assist the applicant/customer in locating and obtaining the services of a certified inspector.

Section 2.07 - Back Flow Prevention Devices

No water connection shall be allowed to any residence or establishment where an actual or potential contamination hazard exists unless the public water facilities are protected from contamination by either an approved air gap, backflow prevention assembly, or other approved device. The type of device or backflow prevention assembly required shall be determined by the specific potential hazard identified in §290.47(i) Appendix I, Assessment of Hazards and Selection of Assemblies of the TCEQ Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems.

The use of a backflow prevention assembly at the service connection shall be considered as additional backflow protection and shall not negate the use of backflow protection on internal hazards as outlined and enforced by local plumbing codes. When a customer service inspection certificate indicates that an adequate internal cross-connection control program is in effect, backflow protection at the water service entrance or meter is not required.

At any residence or establishment where it has been determined by a customer service inspection, that there is no actual or potential contamination hazard, as referenced in Section 290.47(i) Appendix I, Assessment of Hazards and Selection of Assemblies of the TCEQ Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems, then a backflow prevention assembly or device is not required. Outside hose bibs do require, at a minimum, the installation and maintenance of a working atmospheric vacuum breaker.

All backflow prevention assemblies or devices shall be tested upon installation by a TCEQ certified backflow prevention assembly tester and certified to be operating within specifications. Backflow prevention assemblies which are installed to provide protection against health hazards must also be tested and certified to be operating within specifications at least annually by a certified backflow prevention assembly tester.

If the utility determines that a backflow prevention assembly or device is required, the utility will provide the customer or applicant with a list of TCEQ certified backflow prevention assembly testers. The customer will be responsible for the cost of installation and testing, if any, of backflow prevention assembly or device. The customer should contact several qualified installers to compare prices before installation. The customer must pay for any required maintenance and annual testing and must furnish a copy of the test results demonstrating that the assembly is functioning properly to the utility within 30 days after the anniversary date of the installation unless a different date is agreed upon.

Section 2.08 - Access to Customer's Premises

The utility will have the right of access to the customer's premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of installing, testing, inspecting or repairing water mains or other equipment used in connection with its provision of water service, or for the purpose of removing its property and disconnecting lines, and for all other purposes necessary to the operation of the utility system including inspecting the customer's plumbing for code, plumbing or tariff violations. The customer shall allow the utility and its personnel access to the customer's property to conduct any water quality tests or inspections required by law. Unless necessary to respond to equipment failure, leak or other condition creating an immediate threat to public health and safety or the continued provision of adequate utility service to others, such entry upon the customer's property shall be during normal business hours and the utility personnel will attempt to notify the customer that they will be working on the customer's property. The customer may require any utility representative, employee, contractor, or agent seeking to make such entry identify themselves, their affiliation with the utility, and the purpose of their entry.

All customers or service applicants shall provide access to meters and utility cutoff valves at all times reasonably necessary to conduct ordinary utility business and after normal business hours as needed to protect and preserve the integrity of the public drinking water supply.

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Section 2.09 - Meter Requirements, Readings, and Testing

One meter is required for each residential, commercial, or industrial connection. 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.

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.

<u>Meter tests</u>. - 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.

Section 2.10 - Billing

(A) Regular 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.

(B) <u>Late Fees</u>

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.

(C) Information on Bill

Each bill will provide all information required by the TCEQ 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.

(D) <u>Prorated Bills</u> - 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 2.11- Payments

All payments for utility service shall be delivered or mailed to the utility's business office. If the business office fails to receive payment prior to the time of noticed disconnection for non-payment of a delinquent account, service will be terminated as scheduled. Utility service crews shall not be allowed to collect payments on customer accounts in the field.

Payment of an account by any means that has been dishonored and returned by the payor or payee's bank, shall be deemed to be delinquent. All returned payments must be redeemed with cash or valid money order. If a customer has two returned payments within a twelve month period, the customer shall be required to pay a deposit if one has not already been paid.

Section 2.12 - Service Disconnection

(A) With Notice

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 TCEQ Rules.

(B) Without Notice

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

Section 2.13 - Reconnection of Service

Utility personnel must be available during normal business hours to accept payments on the day service is disconnected and the following day unless service was disconnected at the customer's request or due to a hazardous condition.

Service will be reconnected within 36 hours after the past due bill, reconnect fees and any other outstanding charges are paid or the conditions which caused service to be disconnected are corrected.

Section 2.14 - 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.

Section 2.15 - 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 Commission, the utility will maintain facilities as described in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems.

Section 2.16 - 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 TCEQ complaint process. Pending resolution of a complaint, the commission may require continuation or restoration of service.

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.

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 2.17 - Customer Liability

Customer shall be liable for any damage or injury to utility-owned property shown to be caused by the customer.

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 Utility is not required to extend service to any applicant outside of its certified service area and will only do so under terms and conditions mutually agreeable to the Utility and the applicant, in compliance with TCEQ rules and policies, and upon extension of the Utility's certified service area boundaries by the TCEQ.

The applicant for service 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.

Section 3.02 - Costs Utilities and Service Applicants 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.

Residential customers 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.

Unless an exception is granted by the TCEQ's Executive Director, the residential service applicant shall not be required to pay for costs of main extensions greater than 2" in diameter for water distribution and pressure wastewater collection lines and 6" in diameter for gravity wastewater lines.

Exceptions may be granted by the TCEQ Executive Director if:

- adequate service cannot be provided to the applicant using the maximum line sizes listed due to distance or elevation, in which case, it shall be the utility's burden to justify that a larger diameter pipe is required for adequate service;
- or larger minimum line sizes are required under subdivision platting requirements or building codes of municipalities within whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the point of use is located; or the residential service applicant is located outside the CCN service area.

If an exception is granted, the Utility shall establish a proportional cost plan for the specific extension or a rebate plan which may be limited to seven years to return the portion of the applicant's costs for oversizing as new customers are added to ensure that future applicants for service on the line pay at least as much as the initial service applicant. For purposes of determining the costs that service applicants shall pay, commercial customers with service demands greater than residential customer demands in the certified area, industrial, and wholesale customers shall be treated as developers. A service applicant requesting a one inch meter for a lawn sprinkler system to service a residential lot is not considered nonstandard service.

If an applicant requires service other than the standard service provided by the utility, such applicant will be required to pay all expenses incurred by the utility in excess of the expenses that would be incurred in providing the standard service and connection beyond 200 feet and throughout his property including the cost of all necessary transmission facilities.

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 <u>may not be required</u> of individual residential customers for production, storage, treatment or transmission facilities unless otherwise approved by the Commission under this specific extension policy.

Section 3.03 - Contributions in Aid of Construction

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.

Any applicant who places unique or non-standard service demands on the system may be required to provide contributions in aid of construction for the actual costs of any additional facilities required to maintain compliance with the TCEQ minimum design criteria for water production, treatment, pumping, storage and transmission.

Any service extension to a subdivision (recorded or unrecorded) may be subject to the provisions and restrictions of 30 TAC 291.86(d). When a developer wishes to extend the system to prepare to service multiple new connections, the charge shall be the cost of such extension, plus a pro-rata charge for facilities which must be committed to such extension compliant with the TCEQ minimum design criteria. As provided by 30 TAC 291.85(e)(3), for purposes of this section, commercial, industrial, and wholesale customers shall be treated as developers.

A utility may only charge a developer standby fees for unrecovered costs of facilities committed to a developer's property under the following circumstances:

- Under a contract and only in accordance with the terms of the contract; or
- if service is not being provided to a lot or lots within two years after installation of facilities necessary to provide service to the lots has been completed and if the standby fees are included on the utility's approved tariff after a rate change application has been filed. The fees cannot be billed to the developer or collected until the standby fees have been approved by the commission or executive director.
- For purposes of this section, a manufactured housing rental community can only be charged standby fees under a contract or if the utility installs the facilities necessary to provide individually metered service to each of the rental lots or spaces in the community.

Section 3.04 - Appealing Connection Costs

The imposition of additional extension costs or charges as provided by Sections 3.0 - Extension Policy of this tariff shall be subject to appeal as provided in this tariff, TCEQ rules, or the rules of such other regulatory authority as may have jurisdiction over the utility's rates and services. Any applicant required to pay for any costs not specifically set forth in the rate schedule pages of this tariff shall be given a written explanation of such costs prior to payment and/or commencement of construction. If the applicant does not believe that these costs are reasonable or necessary, the applicant shall be informed of the right to appeal such costs to the TCEQ or such other regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the utility's rates in that portion of the utility's service area in which the applicant's property(ies) is located.

Section 3.05 - Applying for Service

The Utility will provide a written service application form to the applicant for each request for service received by the Utility's business offices. A separate application shall be required for each potential service location if more than one service connection is desired by any individual applicant.

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Service application forms will be available at the Utility's business office during normal weekday business hours. Service applications will be sent by prepaid first class United States mail to the address provided by the applicant upon request. Completed applications should be returned by hand delivery in case there are questions which might delay fulfilling the service request. Completed service applications may be submitted by mail if hand delivery is not possible.

Where a new tap or service connection is required, the service applicant shall be required to submit a written service application and request that a tap be made. A diagram, map, plat, or written metes and bounds description of precisely where the applicant desires each tap or service connection is to be made and, if necessary, where the meter is to be installed, along the applicant's property line may also be required with the tap request. The actual point of connection and meter installation must be readily accessible to Utility personnel for inspection, servicing, and meter reading while being reasonably secure from damage by vehicles and mowers. If the Utility has more than one main adjacent to the service applicant's property, the tap or service connection will be made to the Utility's nearest service main with adequate capacity to service the applicant's full potential service demand. Beyond the initial 200 feet, the customer shall bear only the equivalent cost of extending from the nearest main. If the tap or service connection cannot be made at the applicant's desired location, it will be made at another location mutually acceptable to the applicant and the Utility. If no agreement on location can be made, the applicant may refer the matter to the TCEQ for resolution.

Section 3.06 - Qualified Service Applicant

A "qualified service applicant" is an applicant who has: (1) met all of the Utility's requirements for service contained in this tariff, TCEQ rules and/or TCEQ order, (2) has made payment or made arrangement for payment of tap fees, (3) has provided all easements and rights-of-way required to provide service to the requested location, (4) delivered an executed customer service inspection certificate to the Utility, if applicable, and (5) has executed a customer service application for each location to which service is being requested.

The Utility shall serve each qualified service applicant within its certified service area as soon as practical after receiving a completed service application. All service requests will be fulfilled within the time limits prescribed by TCEQ rules once the applicant has met all conditions precedent to achieving "qualified service applicant" status. If a service request cannot be fulfilled within the required period, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the delay, its cause and the anticipated date that service will be available. The TCEQ service dates shall not become applicable until the service applicant has met all conditions precedent to becoming a qualified service applicant as defined by TCEQ rules.

<u>Section 3.07 - Developer Requirements</u>

As a condition of service to a new subdivision, the Utility shall require a developer (as defined by TCEQ rule) to provide permanent recorded public utility easements as a condition of service to any location within the developer's property.

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

APPENDIX A -- SAMPLE SERVICE AGREEMENT From 30 TAC Chapter 290.47(b), Appendix B

SERVICE AGREEMENT

- I. PURPOSE. The NAME OF WATER SYSTEM is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution which could result from improper private water distribution system construction or configuration. The purpose of this service agreement is to notify each customer of the restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The utility enforces these restrictions to ensure the public health and welfare. Each customer must sign this agreement before the NAME OF WATER 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. RESTRICTIONS. The following unacceptable 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 backflow 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 any connection which provides water for human use.
 - E. No solder or flux which contains more than 0.2% lead can be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.
- III. SERVICE AGREEMENT. The following are the terms of the service agreement between the NAME OF WATER SYSTEM (the Water System) and NAME OF CUSTOMER (the Customer).
 - A. The Water System will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Customer and/or the premises is connected to the Water System.
 - B. The Customer shall allow his property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and other potential contamination hazards. These inspections shall be conducted by the Water System or its designated agent prior to initiating new water service; when there is reason to believe that cross-connections or other potential contamination hazards exist; or after any major changes to the private water distribution facilities. The inspections shall be conducted during the Water System's normal business hours.
 - C. The Water System shall notify the Customer in writing of any cross-connection or other potential contamination hazard which has been identified during the initial inspection or the periodic reinspection.
 - D. The Customer shall immediately remove or adequately isolate any potential cross-connections or other potential contamination hazards on his premises.

- E. The Customer shall, at his expense, properly install, test, and maintain any backflow prevention device required by the Water System. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the Water System.
- IV. ENFORCEMENT. If the Customer fails to comply with the terms of the Service Agreement, the Water 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'S SIGNATURE:_		
DATE:		

Form 201

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Certificate of Formation For-Profit Corporation

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Article 1 - Entity Name and Type

The filing entity being formed is a for-profit corporation. The name of the entity is:

NEW WATER SYSTEMS, INC.

The name must contain the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," "limited," or an abbreviation of one of these terms. The name must not be the same as, deceptively similar to or similar to that of an existing corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership name on file with the secretary of state. A preliminary check for "name availability" is recommended.

Article 2 - Registered Agent and Registered Office

☐A. The initial registered agent is an organization (cannot be corporation named above) by the name of:

OR

B. The initial registered agent is an individual resident of the state whose name is set forth below:

Name:

Lisa Martin

C. The business address of the registered agent and the registered office address is:

Street Address:

333 Cypress Run Ste 146 Houston TX 77094

Consent of Registered Agent

A. A copy of the consent of registered agent is attached. Form 401-A - Lisa Martin.pdf

OR

TB. The consent of the registered agent is maintained by the entity.

Article 3 - Directors

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors and the names and addresses of the person or persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected and qualified are set forth below:

Director 1: CHRISTOPHER MARTIN

Address: 333 CYPRESS RUN STE 146 HOUSTON TX, USA 77094

Director 2: LISA MARTIN

Address: 333 CYPRESS RUN STE 146 HOUSTON TX, USA 77094

Article 4 - Authorized Shares

The total number of shares the corporation is authorized to issue and the par value of each of such shares, or a statement that such shares are without par value, is set forth below.

Number of Shares Par Value (must choose and complete either A or B) Class Series

☑ B. without par value.

If the shares are to be divided into classes, you must set forth the designation of each class, the number of shares of each class, and the par value (or statement of no par value), of each class. If shares of a class are to be issued in series, you must provide the designation of each series. The preferences, limitations, and relative rights of each class or series must be stated in space provided for supplemental information.

Article 5 - Purpose

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is for the transaction of any and all lawful business for which corporations may be organized under the Texas Business Organizations Code.

Supplemental Provisions / Information

[The attached addendum, if any, is incorporated herein by reference.]

Effectiveness of Filing

₩A. This document becomes effective when the document is filed by the secretary of state.

OF

TB. This document becomes effective at a later date, which is not more than ninety (90) days from the date of its signing. The delayed effective date is:

Initial Mailing Address

Address to be used by the Comptroller of Public Accounts for purposes of sending tax information.

The initial mailing address of the filing entity is:

333 CYPRESS RUN STE 146 HOUSTON, TX 77094 USA

Organizer

The name and address of the organizer is set forth below.

LISA MARTIN 333 CYPRESS RUN STE 146, HOUSTON, TX 77094

Execution

The undersigned affirms that the person designated as registered agent has consented to the appointment. The undersigned signs this document subject to the penalties imposed by law for the submission of a materially false or fraudulent instrument and certifies under penalty of perjury that the undersigned is authorized under the provisions of law governing the entity to execute the filing instrument.

Lisa N Martin

Signature of organizer

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Form 401-A (Revised 12/09)



Acceptance of Appointment and Consent to Serve as Registered Agent §5.201(b) Business Organizations Code

The following form may be used when the person designated as registered agent in a registered agent filing is an individual.

Acceptance of Appointment and Consent to Serve as Registered Agent

I acknowledge, accept and consent to my designation or appointment as registered agent in Texas for NEW WATER SYSTEMS, INC.

Name of represented entity

I am a resident of the state and understand that it will be my responsibility to receive any process, notice, or demand that is served on me as the registered agent of the represented entity; to forward such to the represented entity; and to immediately notify the represented entity and submit a statement of resignation to the Secretary of State if I resign.

x: Lisa N Martin Lisa Martin 11/04/22

Signature of registered agent Printed name of registered agent Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

The following form may be used when the person designated as registered agent in a registered agent filing is an organization.

Acceptance of Appointment and Consent to Serve as Registered Agent I am authorized to act on behalf of Name of organization designated as registered agent The organization is registered or otherwise authorized to do business in Texas. The organization acknowledges, accepts and consents to its appointment or designation as registered agent in Texas for: Name of represented entity The organization takes responsibility to receive any process, notice, or demand that is served on the organization as the registered agent of the represented entity; to forward such to the represented entity; and to immediately notify the represented entity and submit a statement of resignation to the Secretary of State if the organization resigns. X: Signature of person authorized to act on behalf of organization Printed name of authorized person Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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