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APPLICATION OF CORIX UTILITIES § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION (TEXAS) INC. FOR A NAME CHANGE §

(TEXAS) INC. FOR A NAME CHANGE §
AND MINOR TARIFF CHANGE §
OF TEXAS

#### APPLICATION OF CORIX UTILITIES (TEXAS) INC. FOR A NAME CHANGE, MINOR TARIFF CHANGE AND, AS NECESSARY, AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATES

Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. ("Corix" or "Company") submits this request for authority from the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") to implement a name change and a minor tariff change pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code ("TAC") § 24.25(b)(2)(A). Corix is requesting to change the name on its tariffs and certificates held under CCN Nos. 21081 and 13277 to Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.

#### I. BACKGROUND

Corix respectfully submits this application for a name change and minor tariff change associated with Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Nos. 21081 and 13227. Corix is a Class B public utility providing wastewater and water service under CCN Nos. 21081 and 13277, respectively. Presently, CCN No. 21081 authorizes Corix to provide wastewater utility service in Bastrop, Burnet, Colorado, Lampasas, and Matagorda Counties, Texas under the name Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. In addition, CCN No. 13277 currently authorizes Corix to provide water utility service in Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Colorado, Lampasas, Llano, Matagorda, Mills, Mitchell, San Saba, and Washington Counties, Texas under the name Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.

On April 1, 2024, the proposed merger approved by the Commission in Docket No. 54316 was consummated. As part of that transaction, Corix is required to cease using "Corix" in its legal name and then, within one year, to cease using "Corix" in its branding. However, Corix desires to continue operating in Texas under that name during the transition period in order to preserve continuity for customers, administration, operations, vendors, regulators, etc. Therefore, Corix filed with the Secretary of State to change its legal name from Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. to Utilities, Inc. of Texas, and then filed to create an assumed name of Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. Corix intends to operate in the near term under the assumed name of Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. for branding, billing, operating, regulatory, and other purposes.

On April 26, 2024, Corix filed a Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation with the Delaware Secretary of State, changing its legal name to Utilities, Inc. of Texas. A copy of the filing is included as Exhibit A to this application. On July 26, 2024, the Texas Secretary of State's office issued a Certificate of Amended Registration, which changes Corix's legal name to Utilities, Inc. of Texas as of July 26, 2024. A copy of the filing is included as Exhibit B to this application. On August 5, 2024, the Texas Secretary of State's office issued a Certificate of Filing acknowledging Utilities, Inc. of Texas' assumed name Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc., effective as of August 5, 2024. A copy of the filing is included as Exhibit C to this application. Exhibit D to the application is the affidavit of Brian D. Bahr attesting to the name change.

Corix hereby requests to change the name on its tariffs and certificates held under CCN Nos. 21081 and 13277 to Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.

#### II. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES

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#### III. DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT

Utilities, Inc. of Texas, formerly Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc., is a Delaware corporation that was formed on March 30, 2012. It was registered as a foreign corporation in Texas on May 21, 2012 and was assigned 801600117 as its entity file number.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On the same date, the Texas Secretary of State's office also issued a Certificate of Filing acknowledging Utilities, Inc. of Texas' assumed name Texas Water Utilities; however, Utilities, Inc. of Texas does not anticipate operating under that name, or requesting an associated name change and minor tariff change application with the Commission, in the near term.

- 1. Legal name and all assumed names under which the Applicant conducts business, if any: Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.; Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Texas Water Utilities.
- **Description of Company:** Utilities, Inc. of Texas is a foreign for-profit corporation providing water and wastewater services in Texas.
- **2.** Address of Principal Office and Business Office: 2150 Town Square Place, Suite 400, Sugar Land, Texas 77479.
- 3. Office telephone number: 512-306-4000
- **4. Website address:** https://www.myutility.us/corixtexas
- 5. Customer service telephone number: (877) 718-4396

#### IV. APPLICATION FOR NAME CHANGE AND MINOR TARIFF CHANGE

Consistent with 16 TAC § 24.25(b)(2)(A)(i), the Company requests approval of the minor tariff change of its name from Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. to Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. on its current filed tariffs.

#### V. APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENTS TO CERTIFICATES

To the extent necessary, please amend the certificates under CCN Nos. 21081 and 13227 to list Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. as the certificate holder. This application seeks no change to the associated CCN service area boundaries.

#### VI. PRAYER

For these reasons, the Company requests that the Commission approve the minor tariff changes and certificate amendments, as necessary, set forth above. In addition, Corix requests any further relief to which it has shown itself entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2024, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties of record via electronic mail in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules filed in Project No. 50664.

Evan D. Johnson



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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT

COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "CORIX UTILITIES

(TEXAS) INC.", CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "CORIX UTILITIES (TEXAS)

INC." TO "UTILITIES, INC OF TEXAS", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF APRIL, A.D. 2024, AT 11:30 O'CLOCK A.M.



Authentication: 203347996

Date: 04-26-24

#### STATE OF DELAWARE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

The corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General

Corporation Law of the State of Delaware does hereby certify: FIRST: That at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. resolutions were duly adopted setting forth a proposed amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation of said corporation, declaring said amendment to be advisable and calling a meeting of the stockholders of said corporation for consideration thereof. The resolution setting forth the proposed amendment is as follows: RESOLVED, that the Certificate of Incorporation of this corporation be amended by changing the Article thereof numbered "1 amended, said Article shall be and read as follows: Utilities, Inc. of Texas SECOND: That thereafter, pursuant to resolution of its Board of Directors, a special meeting of the stockholders of said corporation was duly called and held upon notice in accordance with Section 222 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware at which meeting the necessary number of shares as required by statute were voted in favor of the amendment. THIRD: That said amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said corporation has caused this certificate to be signed this 26 \_day of April Authorized Officer Title: Assistant Secretary State of Delaware Name: Kevin Labor Secretary of State Print or Type

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# CERTIFICATE OF AMENDED REGISTRATION

# OF

Utilities, Inc. of Texas 801600117

[formerly: Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.]

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that an Application for Amended Registration to transact business in this state for the above named entity has been received in this office and has been found to conform to the applicable provisions of law.

ACCORDINGLY, the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the secretary by law, hereby issues this Certificate of Amended Registration to transact business in this state under the name of:

Utilities, Inc. of Texas

Dated: 07/26/2024 Effective: 07/26/2024

Phone: (512) 463-5555

Prepared by: Bryan Martin



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Jane Nelson Secretary of State

TID: 10301

Dial: 7-1-1 for Relay Services Document: 1385935400002



Jane Nelson Secretary of State

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### Office of the Secretary of State

## CERTIFICATE OF FILING OF

Utilities, Inc. of Texas File Number: 801600117 Assumed Name: Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of Texas, hereby certifies that the assumed name certificate for the above named entity has been received in this office and filed as provided by law on the date shown below.

ACCORDINGLY the undersigned, as Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in the secretary by law hereby issues this Certificate of Filing.

Dated: 08/05/2024

Effective: 08/05/2024



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Jane Nelson Secretary of State

STATE OF TEXAS	§
	§
COUNTY OF TRAVIS	§

#### AFFIDAVIT OF BRIAN D. BAHR

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Brian D. Bahr, who being by me first duly sworn, on oath deposed and said the following:

- 1. My name is Brian D. Bahr. I am over the age of 18 and am otherwise competent to make this affidavit. I am Director, Rates & Regulatory Affairs for Texas Water Utilities, L.P., an affiliate of Utilities, Inc. of Texas. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and those facts are true and correct.
- 2. I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Application for a Name Change and a Minor Tariff Change, that I am competent to testify to them, and that I have authority to make this Application on behalf of the Applicant. I further swear or affirm that all of the statements and representations made in this Application for a Name Change and a Minor Tariff Change are true and correct. I swear or affirm that the Applicant understands and will comply with all requirements of law applicable to a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity.

Further affiant sayeth not.

Brian D. Bahr

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME by the said Brian D. Bahr on this 22 day of August 2024.

KIMBERLY A. STRICKLAND
Notary Public, State of Texas
Comm. Expires 06-19-2027
Notary ID 130266415

My XIMBERLY STRICKLAND

My commission expires: 91912077