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APPLICATION OF CORIX UTILITIES§PUBLIC U(TEXAS) INC. TO AMEND ITS§CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE§AND NECESSITY§

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

NOTICE OF APPROVAL

This Notice of Approval addresses the application of Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. to change the name on its water certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 13227 and sewer CCN number 21081 to reflect a name change to Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. The Commission amends the name on CCN numbers 21081 and 13227 to Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.

I. Findings of Fact

The Commission makes the following findings of fact.

<u>Applicant</u>

- 1. Corix is a Delaware corporation registered with the Texas secretary of state under filing number 801600117.
- Corix operates, maintains, and controls facilities in Texas for providing potable water service and sewer service for compensation in Bastrop, Burnet, Colorado, Hays, Lampasas, and Matagorda counties under CCN numbers 13227 and 21081.

Application

- 3. On August 23, 2024, Corix filed the application at issue in this proceeding.
- In the application, Corix seeks to change the name on CCN numbers 21081 and 13227 to Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc.
- 5. In Order No. 2 filed on September 27, 2024, the administrative law judge (ALJ) found the application administratively complete.

<u>Notice</u>

6. Notice of Corix's application appeared in the November 8, 2024 issue of the *Texas Register*.

Evidentiary Record

- In Order No. 6 filed on December 17, 2024, the ALJ admitted the following evidence into the record of this proceeding:
 - a. Corix's application and all attachments filed on August 23, 2024;
 - b. Commission Staff's recommendation on administrative completeness, proposed notice, and proposed procedural schedule filed on September 23, 2024;
 - c. Commission Staff's sufficiency memorandum filed on September 23, 2024;
 - d. Commission Staff's clarification filed on September 25, 2024;
 - e. Commission Staff's clarification regarding notice with the *Texas Register* and request for issuance of notice filed on October 8, 2024;
 - Commission Staff request for reissuance of notice and request for extension filed on October 25, 2024;
 - g. Notice of request for a CCN name change filed on October 29, 2024;
 - h. Texas Register acknowledgment of receipt filed on October 30, 2024; and
 - i. Commission Staff's recommendation on final disposition and all attachments filed on November 12, 2024.

CCN Name Change and Assumed Name

- 8. On July 26, 2024, Corix filed a certificate of amendment with the Texas secretary of state to change its name to Utilities, Inc. of Texas, and the name change became effective on that date.
- 9. On August 5, 2024, Corix filed an assumed name certificate with the Texas secretary of state to register the assumed name Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc., and the assumed name became effective on that date.

<u>Certificates</u>

10. On November 12, 2024, Commission Staff filed the proposed certificates as attachments to its recommendation on final disposition.

Informal Disposition

11. More than 15 days have passed since the completion of the notice provided in this docket.

- 12. No person filed a protest or motion to intervene.
- 13. Commission Staff and Corix are the only parties to this proceeding.
- 14. No party requested a hearing, and no hearing is needed.
- 15. Commission Staff recommended approval of the application.
- 16. This decision is not adverse to any party.

II. Conclusions of Law

The Commission makes the following conclusions of law.

- The Commission has authority over the application under Texas Water Code (TWC) §§ 13.041(a) and 13.241.
- Corix is a retail public utility as defined in TWC § 13.002(19) and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 24.3(31).
- 3. Notice of the request was provided in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.55.
- 4. The application was processed in accordance with the TWC, the Administrative Procedure Act,¹ and Commission rules.
- 5. Approval of the name change is necessary for the service, accommodation, convenience, or safety of the public.
- 6. Under TWC § 13.257(r) and (s), Corix must record certified copies of the certificates approved by this Notice of Approval in the real property records of each county in which the service area or a portion of the service area is located within 31 days of the dates of this Notice of Approval and submit to the Commission evidence of the recording.
- 7. The requirements for informal disposition under 16 TAC § 22.35 have been met in this proceeding.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

In accordance with these findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Commission issues the following orders.

¹ Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.001-903.

- 1. The Commission amends water CCN number 13227 and sewer CCN number 21081 to reflect Corix's name change to Utilities Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc.
- 2. The Commission issues the certificates attached to this Notice of Approval.
- Commission Staff must update the Commission's records for water CCN number 13227 and sewer CCN number 21081 to reflect the name of Utilities Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc.
- 4. Corix must file a request to restyle any docket or project currently being processed by the Commission.
- 5. Within ten days of the date of this Notice of Approval, Commission Staff must provide the Commission with clean copies of Corix's water and sewer tariffs reflecting the name Utilities Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc. to be stamped *Approved* and retained by Central Records.
- 6. Corix must comply with the recording requirements under TWC § 13.257(r) and (s) for all counties in which the service area or a portion of the service area is located and file in this docket proof of the recordings no later than 45 days after the date of this Notice of Approval.
- 7. The Commission denies all other motions and any other requests for general or specific relief that have not been expressly granted.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 17th day of December 2024.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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AARON HAAS ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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having obtained certification to provide water utility service for the convenience and necessity of the public, and it having been determined by this Commission that the public convenience and necessity would in fact be advanced by the provision of such service, Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc. is entitled to this

Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 13227

to provide continuous and adequate water utility service to that service area or those service areas in Bastrop, Burnet, Colorado, Hays, Lampasas, and Matagorda counties as by final Order or Orders duly entered by this Commission, which Order or Orders resulting from Docket No. 56979 are on file at the Commission offices in Austin, Texas; and are matters of official record available for public inspection; and be it known further that these presents do evidence the authority and the duty of Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc. to provide such utility service in accordance with the laws of this State and Rules of this Commission, subject only to any power and responsibility of this Commission to revoke or amend this Certificate in whole or in part upon a subsequent showing that the public convenience and necessity would be better served thereby.



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having obtained certification to provide sewer utility service for the convenience and necessity of the public, and it having been determined by this Commission that the public convenience and necessity would in fact be advanced by the provision of such service, Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc. is entitled to this

Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 21081

to provide continuous and adequate sewer utility service to that service area or those service areas in Bastrop, Burnet, Colorado, Hays, Lampasas, and Matagorda counties as by final Order or Orders duly entered by this Commission, which Order or Orders resulting from Docket No. 56979 are on file at the Commission offices in Austin, Texas; and are matters of official record available for public inspection; and be it known further that these presents do evidence the authority and the duty of Utilities, Inc. of Texas dba Corix Utilities (Texas), Inc. to provide such utility service in accordance with the laws of this State and Rules of this Commission, subject only to any power and responsibility of this Commission to revoke or amend this Certificate in whole or in part upon a subsequent showing that the public convenience and necessity would be better served thereby.