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<b>APPLICATION CORIX UTILITIES</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION</b>
<b>(TEXAS) INC. FOR A NAME CHANGE,</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>AND AMENDMENT TO</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>OF TEXAS</b>
<b>CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>AND NECESSITY</b>	<b>§</b>	

**COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMENDATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE  
COMPLETENESS, PROPOSED NOTICE, AND PROPOSED PROCEDURAL  
SCHEDULE**

On August 23, 2024, Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. ("Corix") filed an application for a name change, minor tariff change, and amendment to certificates. Specifically, Corix seeks 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.

On August 28, 2024, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 1, requiring the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file comments and recommendations regarding the administrative completeness of the application, propose an appropriate form of notice, and propose a procedural schedule for this docket by September 23, 2024. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

**I. APPLICATION SUFFICIENCY RECOMENDATION**

Staff has reviewed Corix's application and recommends that under the Commission's General authority under 16 Texas Administrative Code ("TAC") § 24.25(b)(2)(A), Texas Water Code 13.041(a) and 13.241, and as supported by the attached memorandum of Patricia Garcia of the Infrastructure Division, Corix has provided the information and documentation necessary for Staff to review this application on the merits. Therefore, Staff recommends that the application be found sufficient and administratively complete.

**II. NOTICE SUFFICIENCY RECOMENDATION**

Notice in this proceeding is governed by 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) § 22.55, which states, "the presiding officer may require a party to provide reasonable notice to affected persons."<sup>1</sup> Corix included a certificate of service in its application, certifying that notice of the application was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on August 23, 2023, in accordance with

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<sup>1</sup> 16 TAC § 22.55

the order Suspending Rules issued in Project No. 50664<sup>2</sup>. Staff recommends that notice be found reasonable.

Staff also recommends that the process used in Docket No. 53636<sup>3</sup> for publication of a name change application be followed in this Docket No. 56979. Under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 22.55, the Commission may require a party to provide reasonable notice and Staff requests the Commission provide notice of Corix's request in the Texas Register for publication.

Additionally, Corix has a pending dockets which may be affected by the name change Corix requests in this proceeding. The pending Docket No. 54858, with the case style Application of Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity in Hays County.

The type of proceeding in Corix's other pending docket will conclude with the issuance of new certificates, new tariffs, and new maps. As a result, if approved, the name change proposed in Docket No. 56979 will not match the name Corix included in its notice to the necessary parties in the above-listed docket. To obviate the need for reissuing service in the other docket, Staff proposes Corix be ordered to file a copy of the Texas Register notice and final order approving the name change in Docket No. 56979 into Corix's above-mentioned docket if it remains pending at the time of its name change approval. If the above-listed docket has concluded at the time of approval, Corix should not be required to file proof of notice of this name change proceeding into those dockets.

### III. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

In accordance with Staff's sufficiency recommendation, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule.

Event	Deadline
Intervention and comment deadline	October 3, 2024
Deadline for Staff to file a recommendation on final disposition	October 10, 2024

<sup>2</sup> Application of Corix Utilities (Texas) Inc. for a Name Change, Minor Tariff Change and, as necessary, Amendment to Certificates. (August 23, 2024)

<sup>3</sup> *Application of Monarch Utilities I L.P. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Name Change and a Minor Tariff Change*, Docket No. 53636. (in which Texas Water Utilities seeks a change on its water CCN from its former name, Monarch Utilities.); see also 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 26.101(d) and (e) (example telecommunications rule for administrative review of a CCN name change).

Deadline for Corix to respond to Staff's recommendation on final disposition; alternatively, deadline to file joint proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law	October 24, 2024
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#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order requiring that: (1) Corix's request be processed administratively in accordance with the procedure used in Docket No. 53636, (2) the request be found administratively complete, (3) no additional notice be required in this docket, (4) Corix be ordered to provide notice in the Texas Register of this name change proceeding, (5) Corix be ordered to file proof of the notice of this proceeding in the Texas Register and any final order into the above-listed dockets, if it remains outstanding after the approval of the name change and (6) the above proposed procedural schedule be adopted.

Dated: September 23, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on September 23, 2024 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Juan Guajardo

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