## SECTION C.

## **DEFINITIONS**

The following words and terms, when used in this Rate Order, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

**Applicant** — A person applying to the District for service.

**Designated representative** (or) **district representative** — The general manager of the District or a representative or employee of the District engaged in carrying out the terms of or performing services prescribed by this Rate Order pursuant to either general or specific authorization to do so from the general manager or the Board of Directors.

**Board of Directors** (or) **Board** — The governing body of the District elected by qualified voters residing within the District's boundaries in accordance with applicable election laws.

Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (or) CCN — The authorization granted by the Texas Commission On Environmental Quality under Chapter 13, Subchapter G, of the Texas Water Code for the District to provide water utility service within a defined territory. The District has been issued Certificate No. 10099.

**Certificated service area** (or) **service area** — The service territory defined in CCN No. 10099. [See Section D, Certificated Service Area Maps].

**Customer** — Any person receiving services from the District.

**Developer** — Any person that subdivides land or requests two (2) or more service connections on a single contiguous tract of land. [See Water Code § 13.2502(e)(1)].

**Disconnection of service** — The discontinuance of water service to a customer of the District.

**District** — The Rockett Special Utility District.

**Easement** — A private perpetual dedicated right-of-way for the installation of water and/or sewer service lines and facilities that allows access to property for future operation, maintenance, replacement, facility upgrades, and/or installation of additional pipelines (if applicable), and may include restrictions on the adjacent area to limit installation of other pipelines or structures that would restrict the District's use of any area of the easement.

**Final plat** — A complete and exact plan for the subdivision and/or development of a tract of land which has been approved by all local governments having jurisdiction pursuant to Chapters 212 or 232 of the Texas Local Government Code. The District shall determine if a plat submitted under this Rate Order qualifies as a final plat. [See 30 TAC § 291.85].

**General manager** — The general manager of the District appointed by the Board of Directors.

**Hazardous condition** — A condition that jeopardizes the health and welfare of District customers or employees as determined by the District or any other regulatory authority with jurisdiction.

**Person** — Any natural person, firm, corporation, cooperative, limited liability company, partnership, unincorporated association, public agency or governmental entity, or any other public or private organization or entity of any type or character.

**Public Utility Commission of Texas** (or) **PUC** – The state regulatory agency dealing with water and sewer rates and services, Certificates of Convenience and Necessities (CCNs) and sale, transfer, and mergers.

**Re-Service** — Providing service to an applicant at a location at which service previously existed and at which there is an existing setting for a meter. Costs of such re-servicing shall be as established in this Rate Order or based on justifiable expenses in connection with such re-servicing.

**Service agreement** — A written agreement on the current service agreement form between an applicant and the District defining the specific type of service requirements requested, and the responsibilities of each party regarding the service to be provided.

**Service classification/unit** — The type of water service required by an applicant as may be determined by the District based on specific criteria such as usage, meter size, demand, type application, and other relevant factors related to the applicant's request. The base service unit used by the District in facilities design and rate making in this Rate Order is a 5/8" x 3/4" water meter.

**Service** — Any act performed, anything furnished or supplied, and any facilities used by the District in the performance of its duties under the Texas Water Code to its customers, employees, other retail public utilities and the public, as well as the interchange of facilities between the District and one or more retail public utilities.

**Service Investigation Fee** — A fee paid by a potential customer of the District for the purpose of determining the feasibility of providing service or of a construction, line extension and/or expansion project.

**Subdivide** — To divide the surface area of land into lots or tracts. [See Local Gov't Code § 232.021(11)].

**Subdivision** — An area of land that has been subdivided into lots or tracts. [See Local Gov't Code § 232.021(13)].

**Temporary service** — The classification for non-standard water service assigned to an applicant for purposes of inspection or clean-up following construction. The District may provide temporary water service for up to thirty (30) days from the date of application for temporary service.

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality** (or) **TCEQ** — The state regulatory agency having jurisdiction of drinking water quality, water reporting and notification requirements, and assisting consumers and operators of public water systems.

**Water system** — The water production, treatment, supply, storage and distribution facilities operated by or constructed by or for the District, and any water system extensions, improvements or facilities that may be built within the District's boundaries or service area in the future.