BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

PROGRESS COMMUNITY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. WA020038900

DOCKET NO. 2020-UA-100

IN RE: APPLICATION OF PROGRESS COMMUNITY WATER ASSOCIATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING IT TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A WATER SYSTEM IN A SPECIFIED AREA IN LAMAR COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

ORDER GRANTING SUPPLEMENTAL CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

THIS DAY, there came on for consideration the duly verified Petition of Progress Community Water Association ("Progress"), requesting a Supplemental Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("Supplemental Certificate") to expand its water service to a specified area of Lamar County, Mississippi. The Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission"), being fully apprised in the premises and having considered the documents and record before it, and upon recommendation of the Public Utilities Staff, finds as follows:

(1)

Progress, a Mississippi non-profit corporation, currently operates as a public utility pursuant to the laws governing "public utilities", including but not limited to, Miss. Code Ann. § 77-3-3(d)(iv) and pursuant to its Commission-issued Certificates for the provision of water service, to the public for compensation, within specified areas of Lamar County, Mississippi.

(2)

On August 4, 2020, Progress filed its Petition seeking to expand its current water operations to serve an additional area located within Lamar County, Mississippi. On December 7, 2020, Progress revised its proposed Certificated Area, which legal description is attached hereto as

Exhibit "A," and is incorporated herein. The Commission has jurisdiction over Progress and of the subject matter herein.

(3)

The Commission, in accordance with Mississippi law, provided notice of the filing submitted by Progress through publication in these newspapers of general circulation: *The PineBelt NEWS* on August 27, 2020, and *The Clarion-Ledger* on August 13, 2020. These publications are contained within the record of this matter and are incorporated herein by reference. In addition to publication, all interested persons, as defined in RP 2.115 of the Commission's *Public Utilities Rules of Practice and Procedure*, were provided notice of the filing. No requests to intervene have been filed in this Docket.

(4)

Progress received a grant during the 2019 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, S. B. No. 3049, which provides assistance to Progress to expand its water system to an area currently served by water wells. The new water facilities will provide improved water service to around 2,132 existing customers; also, around twenty (20) new customers will be able to connect to the water service provided by Progress.

(5)

Progress has shown that the present and future public convenience and necessity justifies and requires the grant of a Supplemental Certificate so that it can furnish water service to the area described in attached Exhibit "A."

(6)

Progress is ready, willing, fit and able to construct, operate and maintain a water system so as to render water service, to the public for compensation, in the specified area of Lamar County, Mississippi, as described in attached Exhibit "A."

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that:

(1)

Progress is hereby granted a Supplemental Certificate to construct, operate and maintain a water system so as to furnish water service, to the public for compensation, in the specified area of Lamar County, Mississippi, as described in attached Exhibit "A."

(2)

Progress shall serve all persons and entities requesting water service in said Certificated Area.

(3)

Nothing in this Order shall affect the right of any other water provider to continue rendering service to any customer that it was legally serving upon the effective date of this Order.

(4)

This Order shall be deemed issued on the date it is served upon the parties herein by the Executive Secretary of this Commission who shall note the service date in the file of this Docket.

Chairman Dane Maxwell	Aye Nay
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Commissioner Brent Bailey	Aye Nay
Commissioner Brandon Presley	Aye X Nay

Ind day of February 2021.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Dane Maxwell, Chairman

Southern District

Central District

n Presley, Commissioner

Northern District



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Katherine Collier, Executive Secretary Effective this the day of

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING PART OF SECTIONS 14, 15, 16, 21, 23, 26, 27, 28, AND ALL OF SECTION 22, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, LAMAR COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, LAMAR COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE RUN WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINES FOR 1.50 MILES TO THE SW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 28;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG FORTY LINES FOR 0.50 MILE TO THE NW CORNER OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 28;

THENCE RUN WEST ALONG FORTY LINES FOR 0.50 MILE TO THE SW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 28;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG THE SECTION LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE NW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 28;

THENCE RUN EAST ALONG FORTY LINES FOR 1 MILE TO THE NE CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 28;

THENCE RUN SOUTH ALONG FORTY LINES FOR 0.50 MILE TO THE NW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 27:

THENCE RUN EAST ALONG FORTY LINES FOR 0.75 MILE TO THE SW CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 27;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE NE CORNER OF THE NW CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 27;

THENCE RUN WEST ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE SW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 27;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE NW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 27;

THENCE RUN WEST ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE SW CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 27;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR $0.25\,$ MILE TO THE SE CORNER OF THE SW $1/4\,$ OF THE SW $1/4\,$ OF SECTION 22;

THENCE RUN WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE SW CORNER SECTION 22;

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THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG THE SECTION LINE FOR 0.50 MILE TO THE SE CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 21;

THENCE RUN WEST ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE SW CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 21;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG THE FORTY LINE FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE NW CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 21;

THENCE RUN WEST TO THE EASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF U.S. HIGHWAY 11;

THENCE RUN NORTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR 0.25 MILE MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 21;

THENCE RUN EAST ALONG THE SECTION LINE FOR 1,060' TO THE SW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 16;

THENCE RUN NORTH FOR 660' TO THE NW CORNER FOR OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 16;

THENCE RUN EAST FOR 0.25 MILE TO THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 15;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG SECTION LINE FOR 660' TO THE NW CORNER OF SW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 15;

THENCE RUN EAST FOR 0.50 MILE TO THE NE CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 15;

THENCE RUN NORTH ALONG FORTY LINES FOR 1,972;

THENCE RUN EAST FOR 660';

THENCE RUN NORTH FOR 1,020' TO THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PURVIS TO BROOKLYN ROAD;

THENCE RUN SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR 7,250' TO THE EASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF U.S. INTERSTATE 59;

THENCE RUN SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR 1.95 MILES TO THE SOUTH SECTION LINE OF SECTION 26;

THENCE RUN WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINE FOR 968' MORE OR LESS BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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