ORDER #2020-11

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County desires to purchase electric power, gas, water, and other utility services for all Panola County owned and/or leased facilities; and

WHEREAS, Article 262.024(a)(7)(c) V.T.C.A. grants discretionary exemptions from competitive bidding and competitive proposal requirements for "(7) an item that can be obtained from only one source, including: (c) electric power, gas, water, and other utility services; and

WHEREAS, Article 262.024(c) V.T.C.A. states "If an item exempted under Subsection (a)(7) is purchased, the Commissioners' Court, after accepting a signed statement from the county official who makes purchases for the county as to the existence of only one source, must enter in its minutes a statement to that effect.";

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, by the Panola County Commissioners' Court as follows:

- Purchases of electric power, gas, water, and other utility services for all county owned and/or leased facilities are exempt from the competitive bidding requirements of the Purchasing Act for Fiscal Year 2021; and
- 2. The County Judge shall sign a statement as to the existence of only one source and same shall be entered in the minutes of this Court.

ADOPTED in Open Court this 8th day of December, 2020.

Honorable Ronnie LaGrone Commissioner, Precinct One

Honorable David A. Cole Commissioner, Precinct Two Com my

County Judge Lee Ann Jones

Honorable Craig M. Lawless Commissioner, Precinct Three

Honorable Dale LaGrone Commissioner, Precinct Four

ATTEST:

Bobbie Davis, County Clerk



County of Panola

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December 8, 2020

To the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas

As County Judge of Panola County, I, Lee Ann Jones, pursuant to Section 262.024, Subsection (a)(7) and (c) hereby state for the record of this Court that there is currently only one source for electric power, gas, water and other utility services for county owned and/or leased facilities.

I am requesting that this statement be made a part of the minutes of the Regular Session of the Panola County Commissioners' Court held this date.

Sincerely,

Lee Ann Jones County Judge

LAJ