

**CORPORATION USE ONLY**

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Service Classification: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Work Order Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eng. Update: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Service Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SLOCUM WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION**

**SERVICE APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT**

Please Print: DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CO APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT BILLING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ FUTURE BILLING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER H (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ W (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ M (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

PROOF OF OWNERSHIP PROVIDED BY \_\_\_\_\_

DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (Include name of road, subdivision with lot and block number)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUS OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS (if transferring Membership)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

ACREAGE \_\_\_\_\_ HOUSEHOLD SIZE \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER IN FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_ LIVESTOCK & NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL SERVICE NEEDS OF APPLICANT  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT ONLY. A MAP OF SERVICE LOCATION REQUEST MUST BE ATTACHED.

The following information is requested by the Federal Government in order to monitor compliance with Federal laws prohibiting discrimination against applicants seeking to participate in this program. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. This information will not be used in evaluating your application or to discriminate against you in any way. However, if you choose not to furnish it, we are required to note the race/national origin of individual applicants on the basis of visual observation or surname.

**Ethnicity:**  Hispanic or Latino  Not of Hispanic or Latino  
**Race:**  White  Black or African American  American Indian/Alaska Native  
 Asian  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  
**Gender:**  Male  Female

AGREEMENT made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
between Slocum Water Supply Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of  
Texas (hereinafter called the Corporation) and

\_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter called the Applicant and/or Member),

Witnesseth:

The Corporation shall sell and deliver water service to the Applicant and the Applicant shall purchase, receive, and/or reserve service from the Corporation in accordance with the bylaws and tariff of the Corporation as amended from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Upon compliance with said policies, including payment of a Membership Fee, the Applicant qualifies for Membership as a new applicant or continued Membership as a transferee and thereby may hereinafter be called a Member.

The Member shall pay the Corporation for service hereunder as determined by the Corporation's tariff and upon the terms and conditions set forth therein, a copy of which has been provided as an information packet, for which Member acknowledges receipt hereof by execution of this agreement. A copy of this agreement shall be executed before service may be provided to the Applicant.

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to discontinue service and cancel the Membership of any Member not complying with any policy or not paying any utility fees or charges as required by the Corporation's published rates, fees, and conditions of service. At any time service is discontinued, terminated or suspended, the Corporation shall not re-establish service unless it has a current, signed copy of this agreement.

If this agreement is completed for the purpose of assigning utility service as a part of a rural domestic water system loan project contemplated with the Rural Development, an Applicant shall pay an Indication of Interest Fee in lieu of a Membership Fee for the purposes of determining:

- a. The number of taps to be considered in the design and
- b. The number of potential ratepayers considered in determining the financial feasibility of constructing
  - 1) a new water system or
  - 2) expanding the facilities of an existing water system.

The Applicant hereby agrees to obtain, utilize, and/or reserve service as soon as it is available. Applicant, upon qualification for service under the terms of the Corporation's policies, shall further qualify as a Member and the Indication of Interest Fee shall then be converted by the Corporation to a Membership Fee. Applicant further agrees to pay, upon becoming a Member, the monthly charges for such service as prescribed in the Corporation's tariff. Any breach of this agreement shall give cause for the Corporation to liquidate, as damages, the fees previously paid as an indication of interest. In addition to any Indication of Interest Fees forfeited, the Corporation may assess a lump sum of \$300.00 as liquidated damages to defray any losses incurred by the Corporation. If delivery of service to said location is deemed infeasible by the Corporation as a part of this project, the Applicant shall be denied Membership in the Corporation and the Indication of Interest Fee, less expenses, shall be refunded. The Applicant may re-apply for service at a later date under the terms and conditions of the Corporation's policies. For the purposes of this agreement, an Indication of Interest Fee shall be of an amount equal to the Corporation's Membership Fees.

All water shall be metered by meters to be furnished and installed by the Corporation. The meter and/or wastewater connection is for the sole use of the Member or customer and is to provide service to only one (1) dwelling or one (1) business. Extension of pipe(s) to transfer utility service from one property to another, to share, resell, or submeter water to any other persons, dwellings, businesses, or property, etc., is prohibited.

The Corporation shall have the right to locate a water service meter and the pipe necessary to connect the meter on the Member's property at a point to be chosen by the Corporation, and shall have access to its property and equipment located upon Member's premises at all reasonable and necessary times for any purpose connected with or in the furtherance of its business operations, and upon discontinuance of service the Corporation shall have the right to remove any of its equipment from the Member's property. The Member is responsible for any line extensions over 120 ft., or road boring at an additional cost. The Member shall install, at their own expense, any necessary service lines from the Corporation's facilities and equipment to the point of use, including any customer service isolation valves, backflow prevention devices, clean-outs, and other equipment as may be specified by the Corporation. The Corporation shall also have access to the Member's property for the purpose of inspecting for possible cross-connections, potential contamination hazards, illegal lead materials, and any other violations or possible violations of state and federal statutes and regulations relating to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act or Chapter 341 of the Texas Health & Safety Code or and the corporation's tariff and service policies.

The Corporation is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution which could result from improper practices. This service agreement serves as notice to each customer of the restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The Corporation shall enforce these restrictions to ensure the public health and welfare. The following undesirable practices are prohibited by state regulations:

- a. No direct connection between the public drinking water supply and a potential source of contamination is permitted. Potential sources of contamination shall be isolated from the public water system by an airgap or an appropriate backflow prevention assembly in accordance with state regulations.

- b. No cross-connection between the public drinking water supply and a private water system is permitted. These potential threats to the public drinking water supply shall be eliminated at the service connection by the proper installation of an airgap or a reduced pressure-zone backflow prevention assembly and a service agreement must exist for annual inspection and testing by a certified backflow prevention device tester.
- c. No connection which allows condensing, cooling, or industrial process water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
- d. No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more than 0.25 % lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human consumption.
- e. No solder or flux which contains more than 0.2 % lead may be used for the installation or repair plumbing at any connection which provides water for human consumption.

The Corporation shall maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Member and/or premises is connected to the public water system. The Member shall allow their property to be inspected for possible cross-connections, potential contamination hazards, and illegal lead materials. These inspections shall be conducted by the Corporation or its designated agent prior to initiating service and periodically thereafter. The inspections shall be conducted during the Corporation's normal business hours.

The Corporation shall notify the Member in writing of any cross-connections or other undesirable practices which have been identified during the initial or subsequent inspection. The Member shall immediately correct any undesirable practice on their premises. The Member shall, at their expense, properly install, test, and maintain any backflow prevention device required by the Corporation. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the Corporation as required. Failure to comply with the terms of this service agreement shall cause the Corporation to either terminate service or properly install, test, and maintain an appropriate backflow prevention device at the service connection. Any expenses associated with the enforcement of this agreement shall be billed to the Member.

In the event the total water supply is insufficient to meet all of the Members, or in the event there is a shortage of water, the Corporation may initiate the Emergency Rationing Program as specified in the Corporation's Tariff. By execution of this agreement, the Applicant hereby shall comply with the terms of said program.

By execution hereof, the Applicant shall hold the Corporation harmless from any and all claims for damages caused by service interruptions due to waterline breaks by utility or like contractors, tampering by other Member/users of the Corporation, normal failures of the system, or other events beyond the Corporation's control.

The Applicant shall grant to the Corporation permanent recorded easement(s) dedicated to the Corporation for the purpose of providing reasonable rights of access and use to allow the Corporation to construct, maintain, replace, upgrade, parallel, inspect, test and operate any facilities necessary to serve that Applicant as well as the Corporation's purposes in providing system-wide service for existing or future members.

By execution hereof, the Applicant shall guarantee payment of all other rates, fees, and charges due on any account for which said Applicant owns a Membership Certificate. Said guarantee shall pledge any and all Membership Fees against any balance due the Corporation. Liquidation of said Membership Fees shall give rise to discontinuance of service under the terms and conditions of the Corporation's tariff.

By execution hereof, the Applicant agrees that non-compliance with the terms of this agreement by said Applicant shall constitute denial or discontinuance of service until such time as the violation is corrected to the satisfaction of the Corporation.

Any misrepresentation of the facts by the Applicant on any of the four pages of this agreement shall result in discontinuance of service pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Corporation's tariff.

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Witnesseth

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Applicant Member

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Approved and Accepted

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Date Approved

# ***Slocum Water Supply Corporation*** **Service Agreement**

- I. **PURPOSE.** Slocum Water Supply Corporation is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution, which could result from improper private water distribution system construction or configuration. The purpose of this service agreement is to notify each customer of the restrictions that are in place to provide this protection. The utility enforces these restrictions to insure the public health and welfare. Each customer must sign this agreement before the Slocum WSC will begin service. In addition, when service to an existing connection has been suspended or terminated, the water system will not re-establish service unless it has a signed copy of this agreement.
- II. **RESTRICTIONS.** The following unacceptable practices are prohibited by State regulations:
- a. No direct connection between the public drinking water supply and a potential source of contamination is permitted.. Potential sources of contamination shall be isolated from the public water system by an air-gap or an appropriate back-flow prevention device.
  - b. No cross connection between the public drinking water supply and a private water system is permitted. The potential threats to the public drinking water supply shall be eliminated at the service connection by the installation of an air-gap or a reduced pressure-zone back-flow prevention device.
  - c. No connection that allows water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
  - d. No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more the 0.25% lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection that provides water for human use.
  - e. No solder or flux that contains more than 0.2% lead can be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection that provides water for human use.
- III. **SERVICE AGREEMENT.** The following are the terms of the service agreement between Slocum Water Supply Corporation and the customer.
- a. The Water System will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Customer and/or the premises are connected to the Water System.
  - b. The Customer shall allow his property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and other potential contamination hazards. These inspections shall be conducted by the Water System or its designated agent prior to initiating new water service; when there is reason to believe that cross-connections or other potential contamination hazards exist; or after any major changes to the private water distribution facilities. The inspections shall be conducted during the Water System's normal business hours.
  - c. The Water System shall notify the Customer in writing of any cross-connection or other potential contamination hazard that has been identified during the initial inspection or the periodic re-inspection.
  - d. The Customer shall immediately remove or adequately isolate any potential cross-connections or other potential contamination hazards on his premises.
  - e. The Customer shall, at his expense, properly install, test, and maintain any back-flow prevention device required by the Water System. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the Water System.
  - f. The Water System's responsibility ends at the water meter. Any damage or maintenance beyond that point is the Customer's responsibility**
- IV. **ENFORCEMENT.** If the Customer fails to comply with the terms of the Service Agreement, the Water System shall, at its option either terminate service or properly install, test, and maintain and appropriate back-flow prevention device at the service connection. Any expenses associated with the enforcement of this agreement shall be billed to the Customer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Customer's Name (please print)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

# *Slocum Water Supply Corporation*

## Customer Information Sheet

1. Minimum monthly charge is \$32.18. Water usage 0 to 2,000 gallons is \$4.00 per 1000 gallons; 2,001 gallons to 6,000 gallons is \$5.00 per 1000 gallons, water usage of 6,001 gallons to 10,000 gallons is \$6.00 per 1000 gallon and 10,001 gallons and remainder will be \$7.00 per 1,000 gallons. There is also a "user fee" on each bill that is equal to ½ of 1% of the water usage amount. This fee is collected by local water systems and then paid to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).
2. Billing is around the last day of each month with bills being due by the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the month and a late fee of \$10.00 being assessed on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month. Disconnections will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of the following month.
2. There will be a \$55.00 reconnect fee for services terminated due to non payment . All payments received after 4:00 p.m. will **not** be turned back on until following business day. There will be **no** reconnects after 5:00 p.m.
3. There will be a \$45.00 service charge on all returned checks. If the check is not redeemed by cash, money order, or certified check within (10) ten days, service disconnection procedures will be initiated.
4. **The corporation's maintenance responsibility ends at the meter.**
5. There will be a \$10.00 service charge on service calls to re-read meters if it is found to be the correct reading when read by personnel.
6. All plumbing connections must comply with TCEQ rules. The use of pipe and fittings containing more than 0.25% lead is prohibited, and all connections shall be designed to insure against back-flow or siphonage into the corporations water supply.
7. Customers are asked to install a cut-off valve on your side of the meter. **Do not use the stop on the corporation's side of the meter.** If you damage the meter, or any part connected to the meter on the Corporation's side, a fee shall be charged equal to the actual costs of all labor, materials and equipment necessary for repair and/or replacement.
8. Multiple connections (more than (1) one connection to a service meter) is prohibited.
9. Meter tampering is prohibited and shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
10. The corporation is not liable for damage caused by service interruption events beyond its control, and for normal system failure.
11. Failure on the part of the member or tenant consumer to observe corporation rules and regulations, gives the corporation the authority to deny or discontinue service, after due notice.
12. Members should voice concerns or grievances to a corporation staff personnel. If not resolved to member's satisfaction, member may request a hearing before the Board of Directors. Request should be made to the office personnel.

Slocum Water Supply Corporation  
5720 East State Highway 294  
Elkhart, Texas 75839  
903-478-3486

Updated: 10/12/2023

**YOU CAN NOW REQUEST THAT PERSONAL INFORMATION  
CONTAINED IN OUR UTILITY RECORDS  
NOT BE RELEASED TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS**

The Texas Legislature has enacted a bill, which was effective September 1, 1993, allowing publicly-owned utilities to give their customers the option of making the customer's address, telephone number, account records, and social security number confidential. {TX Utility Code Confidential, Subchapter B. 182.052 (a)}

*IS THERE A CHARGE FOR THIS SERVICE?*

No..

*HOW CAN YOU REQUEST THIS?*

Simply complete the form at the bottom of this page and return it to:

Slocum WSC  
5720 E St. Hwy. 294  
Elkhart, TX 75839

Your response is not necessary if you do not want this service.

**WE MUST STILL PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION UNDER LAW TO CERTAIN PERSONS.**

We must still provide this information to (1) an official or employee of the state or a political subdivision of the state, or the federal government acting in an official capacity; (2) an employee of a utility acting in connection with the employee's duties; (3) a consumer reporting agency; (4) a contractor or subcontractor approved by and providing services to the utility or to the state, a political subdivision of the state, the federal government, or an agency of the state or federal government; (5) a person for whom the customer has contractually waived confidentiality for personal information; or (6) another entity that provides water, wastewater, sewer, gas, garbage, electricity, or drainage service for compensation.

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**Detach and Return This Section**

Yes, I want you to make my personal information (address, telephone number, and social security number) confidential.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of Account Holder*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Account Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Area Code/Telephone Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City, State, Zip Code*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**Rural Utilities Service**

**RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT**

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS**, that \_\_\_\_\_  
(hereinafter called "Grantors"), in consideration of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid by *Slocum Water Supply Corporation* (hereinafter called "Grantee"), the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant, bargain, sell, transfer, and convey to said Grantee, its successors, and assigns, a perpetual easement with the right to erect, construct, install and lay and thereafter access and use, operate, inspect, repair, maintain, replace, upgrade, parallel and remove water distribution and/or sewer collection lines and appurtenances, over and across \_\_\_\_\_ acres of land, more particularly described in instrument recorded in Vol. \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_, Deed Records, \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, together with the right of ingress and egress over Grantor's adjacent lands for the purpose for which the above mentioned rights are granted. The easement hereby granted shall not exceed 15' in width, and Grantee is hereby authorized to designate the course of the easement herein conveyed except that when the pipeline(s) is installed, the easement herein granted shall be limited to a strip of land 15' in width, the center line thereof being the pipeline as installed. Grantee shall have such other rights and benefits necessary and/or convenient for the full enjoyment and use of the rights herein granted, including without limitation, (1) the reasonable right of ingress and egress over and across lands owned by Grantor which are contiguous to the easement; (2) the reasonable right from time to time to remove any and all paving, undergrowth and other obstructions that may injure Grantee's facilities and appurtenances or interfere with the construction, maintenance, inspection, operation, protection, repair, alteration, testing, replacement, upgrading, relocation (as above limited), substitution or removal thereof; and (3) the rights to abandon-in-place any and all water supply and/or sewer distribution lines, service lines and associated appurtenances, such that Grantee shall have no obligation or liability to Grantor, or their successors or assigns, to move or remove any such abandoned lines or appurtenances.

In the event the easement hereby granted abuts on a public road and the county or state hereafter widens or relocates the public road so as to require the relocation of this water and/or sewer line as installed, Grantor further grants to Grantee an additional easement over and across the land described above for the purpose of laterally relocating said water and/or sewer line as may be necessary to clear the road improvements, which easement hereby granted shall be limited to a strip of land 15' in width, the center line thereof being the pipeline as relocated.

The consideration recited herein shall constitute payment in full for all damages sustained by Grantors by reason of the installation of the structures referred to herein and the Grantee will maintain such easement in a state of good repair and efficiency so that no unreasonable damages will result from its use to Grantor's premises. This Agreement together with other provisions of this grant shall constitute a covenant running with the land for the benefit of the Grantee, its successors, and assigns. The Grantors covenant that they are the owners of the above described lands and that said lands are free and clear of all encumbrances and liens except the following:

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Grantor does hereby bind itself, its successors and assigns, to WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND, all and singular, the easement herein granted to Grantee, or Grantee's successors and assigns, against every person whomsoever claiming, or to claim, the same or any part thereof.

The easement conveyed herein was obtained or improved through Federal financial assistance. This easement is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto for so long as the easement continues to be used for the same or similar purpose for which financial assistance was extended or for so long as the Grantee owns it, whichever is longer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said Grantors have executed this instrument this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Notary Public, State of Texas**

Please return to:

Slocum WSC  
5720 E SH 294  
Elkhart, TX 75839