BEFORE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS STATE OF KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF:

The Application of the Cities of Hays, Kansas and Russell, Kansas For Approval to Transfer Water From Edwards County, Kansas Pursuant to the Kansas Water Transfer Act.

OAH No. 23AG0003 AG

NOTICE OF HEARING

In accordance with the Kansas Water Transfer Act, K.S.A. 82a-1501 et seq., an application from the Cities of Hays, Kansas and Russell, Kansas is currently pending for approval to transfer more than 2,000 acre-feet of water from their water rights in Edwards County, Kansas to Hays and Russell. A Presiding Officer/Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) has been appointed from the Office of Administrative Hearings to preside over the matter.

The formal public hearing in the above captioned matter will be held beginning:

July 19, 2023, 10:00 a.m. Hyatt Regency Wichita Riverview Ballroom 400 West Waterman Wichita, KS 67202

This hearing is scheduled to begin July 19, 2023 and if necessary, may continuing through August 2, 2023. The Presiding Officer shall determine the time the hearing will adjourn each day as well as when the hearing will resume.

The formal public hearing will be open to the public for observation, but no comments from the public may be presented at the hearing.

The proceeding may be observed by live video conference and may be viewed through www.zoomgov.com using Meeting ID: 160 634 1025 and Passcode: 401857.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Matthew A. Spurgin

Presiding Officer/Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings

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