



OFFICE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE
County Of Hidalgo

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

June 12, 2015

Elizabeth Garza
Area Specialist
USDA Rural Development
2514 South "I" Road, Suite 4
Edinburg, Texas 78541

Re: First Time Water Service to Residents
In La Villa, Texas

Dear Ms. Garza:

The County of Hidalgo is requesting support from United States Department of Agriculture-Rural Utility Service (USDA-RUS) to assist North Alamo Water Supply Corporation in its efforts to construct the necessary infrastructure to bring first time water service to identified colonias and dwellings located in the rural community of La Villa, Texas.

Just this past week, there was a follow up story by the local news media addressing the absence of potable water for the Garza Family and others located in La Villa, Texas.

It is disturbing to know that we still have a small amount of residents in Hidalgo County that do not have access to potable water and have to rely on an irrigation canal for its water needs. This why I write you this letter and strongly urge for USDA-RUS to support North Alamo Water Supply Corporation's efforts to build the infrastructure that will improve the quality of life of our residents.

Together USDA-RUS, North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, and Hidalgo County can eliminate inadequate drinking water, poor sanitary waste conditions, and substandard housing. We hope USDA-RUS will consider our request and help change the lives of these residents.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (956) 318-2600 or Mr. Steven P. Sanchez with North Alamo Water Supply Corporation at (956) 383-1618.

Respectfully,

Ramon Garcia
Hidalgo County Judge

Cc: Michael B. Canales, Community Programs Director, USDA-RUS
Roel Gomez, Area Director, USDA-RUS
Steven P. Sanchez, General Manager, North Alamo WSC
Allan F. Booe, Project Engineer, Melden & Hunt, Inc.