COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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ADOPTION OF A NEW UNIFORM SYSTEM) ADMINISTRATIVE OF ACCOUNTS FOR KENTUCKY WATER) CASE NO. 314

ORDER

On August 27, 1987, the Commission issued its Order initiating this proceeding to review and adopt a new Uniform System of Accounts ("USOA") for water utilities under its jurisdiction. The proposed system was developed from the 1984 USOA adopted by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.

In its Order of August 27, 1987, the Commission requested any interested party or utility under its jurisdiction to file comments regarding the proposed USOA. On December 1, 1987, a hearing was held to investigate all concerns pertaining to the proposed USOA. An informal conference was held on December 11, 1987, to further discuss the concerns and reservations regarding the proposed USOA that were expressed by interested parties in attendance at the hearing.

On January 6, 1988, the Commission entered an interim Order approving the agreements reached by staff and the parties of record as a result of the December 22, 1987, informal conference. It was ordered that staff should prepare revised USOAs and

report forms, as addressed in the interim Order, to be issued on or before March 31, 1988.

In response to the Commission's Order of January 6, 1988, staff has developed revised USoAs and report forms. The Commission, after careful review of the revised documents, is of the opinion that they should be accepted and should be effective for accounting purposes January 1, 1989, and for reporting purposes effective with the December 31, 1989, Annual Report.

Copies of the new USoAs and Annual Report Forms will be available to all parties of record, including all water utilities under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Interested parties should file any comments, testimony or other relevant information concerning the revised USoA and report forms, with regard to their effects, their implementation and whether any modifications would be necessary for reporting to this Commission.

FINDINGS AND ORDERS

The Commission, after consideration of the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. The revised USOAs and proposed Annual Report forms should be issued to all interested parties in order to obtain information regarding the feasibility of the new documents.

2. Any interested utilities under the jurisdiction of this Commission which will be subject to the reporting requirements of the new USoA should file information, testimony, or comments on this matter within 45 days from the date of this Order.

3. Any interested parties should be invited to file information, testimony, or comments on this matter within 45 days from the date of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

 The revised USoAs and report forms, as addressed herein, be issued.

2. The affected utilities and interested parties shall file any information, testimony or comments according to Findings No. 2 and 3 of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of March, 1988.

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Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director