COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY)
DISTRICT OF HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, FOR)
A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AND FINANCE)
PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION)
278.023 OF THE KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES)

ORDER

On July 9, 1993, Black Mountain Utility District ("Black Mountain") filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$1,181,000 waterworks improvement project and for approval of its plan of financing for this project. This project will provide service to 282 additional customers. Project funding includes a \$356,000 loan from the Farmers Home Administration ("FmHA"), a \$482,700 grant from FmHA, a \$300,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission, and \$42,300 from applicants for service in the proposed project area. The loan will be for a 40-year period at an interest rate of 5 percent per annum.

Black Mountain's application was made pursuant to KRS 278.023 which requires the Commission to accept agreements between water districts and FmHA and to issue the necessary orders to implement the terms of such agreements within 30 days of satisfactory completion of the minimum filing requirements. Given that minimum filing requirements were met in this case on July 9, 1993, KRS

278.023 does not grant the Commission any discretionary authority to modify or reject any portion of this agreement.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Black Mountain is hereby granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.
- 2. Black Mountain's proposed plan of financing with FmHA is accepted.
- 3. Black Mountain shall file a copy of the "as-built" drawings and a certified statement that the construction has been satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract plans and specifications within 60 days of the substantial completion of the construction certificated herein.
- 4. Black Mountain shall monitor the adequacies of the expanded water distribution system after construction. If the level of service is inadequate or declining or the pressure to any customer falls outside the requirements of 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(1), Black Mountain shall take immediate action to bring the system into compliance with Commission regulations.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a warranty of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, or any agency thereof, of the financing herein accepted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of July, 1993.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director