COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF BIG SANDY WATER

DISTRICT OF BOYD, CARTER AND LAWRENCE

COUNTIES, KENTUCKY, FOR A CERTIFICATE

OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO

PROVISIONS OF SECTION 278.023 OF THE

KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES

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O R D E R

On September 10, 1993, Big Sandy Water District ("Big Sandy") filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$1,845,000 waterworks improvement project and for approval of its plan of financing for this project. This project will provide service to 390 additional customers. Project funding includes a \$1,214,000 loan from the Farmers Home Administration ("FmHA"), a \$150,000 grant from FmHA, a \$325,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission ("ARC") and \$156,000 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.

Big Sandy'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 September 10, 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. Big Sandy is hereby granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.
- 2. Big Sandy's proposed plan of financing with FmHA and ARC is accepted.
- 3. Big Sandy 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. Big Sandy 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), Big Sandy 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

4th day of October, 1993.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director