

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WEST LAUREL WATER)	
ASSOCIATION OF LAUREL COUNTY, KENTUCKY)	
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)	CASE NO.
AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT, FINANCE AND)	95-368
INCREASE RATES PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS)	
OF KRS 278.023)	

O R D E R

On September 5, 1995, West Laurel Water Association ("West Laurel") filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$516,000 waterworks improvement project, for approval of its plan of financing for this project, and for adjustments to its water service rates. This project will make water system improvements. Project funding includes a \$516,000 bond issue to be purchased pursuant to an agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Economic and Community Development ("RECD"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration.

West Laurel's application was made pursuant to KRS 278.023, which requires the Commission to accept agreements between water utilities and the U. S. Department of Agriculture 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 5, 1995, 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. West Laurel is hereby granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.

2. West Laurel's proposed plan of financing with RECD is accepted.

3. West Laurel is authorized to issue bonds not to exceed \$516,000 to be held or insured by RECD.

4. West Laurel 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.

5. The rates set out in Appendix A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, are the rates approved for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.

6. West Laurel shall submit its revised tariff setting out the rates in Appendix A within 30 days of the date of this Order.

7. West Laurel 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), West Laurel 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 18th day of September, 1995.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 95-368 DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 1995

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by West Laurel Water Association. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

Monthly Water Rates

5/8" x 3/4" Meter

First 1,000 gallons	\$ 7.76 Minimum Bill
Next 2,000 gallons	3.68 per 1,000 gallons
Next 2,000 gallons	3.40 per 1,000 gallons
Next 5,000 gallons	2.86 per 1,000 gallons
Over 10,000 gallons	2.21 per 1,000 gallons

1" Meter

First 5,000 gallons	\$ 21.92 Minimum Bill
Next 5,000 gallons	2.86 per 1,000 gallons
Over 10,000 gallons	2.21 per 1,000 gallons

2" Meter

First 20,000 gallons	\$ 58.32 Minimum Bill
Over 20,000 gallons	2.21 per 1,000 gallons

3" Meter

First 30,000 gallons	\$ 80.42 Minimum Bill
Over 30,000 gallons	2.21 per 1,000 gallons

4" Meter

First 50,000 gallons	\$124.62 Minimum Bill
Over 50,000 gallons	2.21 per 1,000 gallons

6" Meter

First 100,000 gallons	\$235.12 Minimum Bill
Over 100,000 gallons	2.21 per 1,000 gallons

Wholesale Rate	\$ 1.59 per 1,000 gallons
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