## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF THE HARDIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A NEW ACCESS CULVERT FOR HEADQUARTERS FACILITY

CASE NO. 97-081

## ORDER

On February 20, 1997, Hardin County Water District ("Hardin Water") filed its application seeking authority to construct a concrete box culvert, water main boring, and related appurtenances. The box culvert is needed for access to Hardin Water's new facilities. The water main boring will provide water service to the new facility and to future extensions of service on the same side of the highway as the facility is located. The project will be funded by Hardin Water's current reserves.

The Commission, having reviewed the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that:

1. Public convenience and necessity require the construction proposed in the application be performed and that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be granted.

2. The proposed construction consists of a concrete box culvert, water main boring, and related appurtenances. These improvements were collectively bid as Contract Number 2. The improvements will provide road access and water service for Hardin Water's new facilities.

3. Hardin Water should obtain approval from the Commission prior to performing any additional construction not expressly certificated by this Order.

4. Hardin Water should furnish duly verified documentation of the total costs of this project including the cost of construction and all other capitalization costs (engineering, legal, administrative, etc.), within 60 days of the date that construction is substantially completed. Said construction costs should be classified into appropriate plant accounts in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Water Utilities prescribed by the Commission.

5. Hardin Water should require construction to be inspected under the general supervision of a professional engineer with a Kentucky registration in civil or mechanical engineering, to ensure that the construction work is done in accordance with the contract drawings and specifications and in conformance with the best practices of the construction trades involved in the project.

6. Hardin Water should furnish, within 60 days of the date of substantial completion of this construction, a copy of "as-built" drawings and a signed statement from the Engineer that the construction has been satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract plans and specifications.

7. Hardin Water should not issue any securities or evidences of indebtedness, or assume any obligation or liability in respect to the securities or evidences of indebtedness of any other person until it has been authorized so to do by order of the Commission.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Hardin Water is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.

Hardin Water shall comply with all matters set out in Findings 3 through 7 as 2. if the same were individually so ordered.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18th day of March, 1997.

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

**Executive Director**