

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF EAST CASEY COUNTY	)	
WATER DISTRICT FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	)	
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO	)	CASE NO.
CONSTRUCT, FINANCE AND INCREASE RATES	)	2000-555
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.023	)	

O R D E R

On January 17, 2001, East Casey County Water District ("ECCWD") submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct, finance, and increase rates for a \$1,400,000 waterworks improvement project. This project consists of the installation of approximately 56 miles of 6-inch through 3-inch water transmission mains to provide service to approximately 300 new customers. Project funding consists of a \$594,000 loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development ("RD"), a \$396,000 grant from the RD, a \$350,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission and a \$60,000 contribution from the applicant.

ECCWD'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 or the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 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 January 17, 2001, 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. ECCWD is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.

2. ECCWD's proposed plan of financing with RD is accepted.

3. ECCWD is authorized to issue bonds not to exceed \$594,000.

4. ECCWD 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. ECCWD shall file its revised tariff setting out the rates in Appendix A within 30 days of the date of this Order.

7. ECCWD 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 is outside the requirements of 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(1), ECCWD shall take immediate action to maintain the level of service in conformance with the regulations of the Commission.

8. ECCWD shall notify the Commission one week prior to the actual start of construction and at the 50 percent completion point.

9. Three years from the effective date of this Order, ECCWD shall file an income statement, along with any pro forma adjustments, in sufficient detail to demonstrate that the rates approved herein are sufficient to meet its operating expenses and annual debt service requirements.

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 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

## APPENDIX A

### APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2000-555 DATED JANUARY 26, 2001

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

#### Monthly Water Rates

First	2,000 gallons	\$ 13.40	Minimum bill
Next	3,000 gallons	6.15	per 1,000 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	5.80	per 1,000 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	5.50	per 1,000 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	5.20	per 1,000 gallons
Over	20,000 gallons	4.70	per 1,000 gallons