COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF THE COUNTY OF)	
BOONE, KENTUCKY FOR (1) A CERTIFICATE)	
OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)	
TO CONSTRUCT A PUBLIC WATER)	CASE NO.
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM; (2) THE APPROVAL)	2002-00085
OF THE PROPOSED PLAN TO FINANCE THE)	
PROJECT; AND (3) THE APPROVAL OF THE)	
PROPOSED RATES FOR WATER SERVICE)	

<u>O R D E R</u>

On March 15, 2002, the County of Boone, Kentucky (County of Boone) applied for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate) to construct a public water distribution system, authority to issue \$8,425,000 in bonds, and for approval of its proposed rates for water service.

KRS 278.300(2) requires the Commission to render a decision regarding a utility's request to issue securities or to obtain financing within 60 days, unless it is necessary for good cause to continue the application for a longer time. Since the proposed revenue bond issuance will be used to fund the proposed water distribution system, our decision on the proposed issuance is dependent upon our action on the County of Boone's application for a Certificate. As we have not completed our review of the proposed water project, the Commission finds that it would be premature to render a decision on the proposed plan of financing. For this reason, the Commission finds that good cause exists to continue the application for approval of financing for a period longer than 60 days.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the County of Boone's application for approval to issue bonds to fund the water distribution system is continued beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2).

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23rd day of May, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Deputy Executive Director