

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF FRANCIS WATER)	
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A)	
PROPOSED INCREASE IN RATES,)	CASE NO. 2004-00338
FINANCING, AND AN INCREASE IN)	
NON-RECURRING CHARGES)	

O R D E R

On May 3, 2005, Francis Water Company (“Francis”) requested an extension of time in which to file with the Commission a written report of its investigation of the feasibility of purchasing its water requirements from a regional water supplier and any other feasible regionalization venture. In our Order of January 21, 2005, we directed that Francis review consolidation or a regionalization approach to its water operation to reduce or contain its costs, prepare a report of its findings, and file that report with the Commission within 90 days from the date of the Order. We shall consider Francis’s request as a motion for an extension of time.

In support of its motion, Francis states that it intends to include in its report the information on water quality of other systems and customer comments regarding those systems, and that additional time is required to acquire that information.

The Commission, having considered the motion, and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that the motion for an extension of time should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Francis shall investigate the feasibility of purchasing its water requirements from a regional water supplier and any other feasible

regionalization venture and shall, on or before June 13, 2005, submit a written report of its investigation to the Commission. This report shall, at a minimum, list all water suppliers contacted, state each supplier's ability to provide water service to Francis, and express Francis's intentions toward those suppliers who are willing to provide water service.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18th day of May, 2005.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director