COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT OF THE WHOLESALE) WATER SERVICE RATES OF THE CITY OF) CASE NO. 2015-00039 AUGUSTA)

ORDER

On January 8, 2015, the city of Augusta ("Augusta") filed with the Commission revised tariff sheets setting forth proposed adjustments to its existing rates for wholesale water service to Bracken County Water District ("Bracken District") effective for service provided on and after February 11, 2015. On February 2, 2015, Bracken District through counsel filed with the Commission a letter requesting the Commission initiate a formal proceeding to investigate the proposed rate and issue all orders necessary to ensure that the proposed rate is not placed into effect or otherwise assessed before a hearing is held. On February 10, 2015, the Commission entered an Order establishing a procedural schedule for this case.

On February 12, 2015, Bracken District filed a motion to authorize the use of electronic filing procedures. On February 19, 2015, Augusta filed a motion for an extension of time to respond to the Commission's initial request for information; subsequently, Bracken District filed a response indicting that it had no objection to Augusta's motion. On February 27, 2015, the Commission entered an Order that granted Augusta's motion and that also suspended the procedural schedule established in the February 10, 2015 Order.

On March 6, 2015, Commission Staff's Notice of Informal Conference was served upon the parties. On March 9, 2105, an informal conference was held to discuss the status of and issues in this case. At the informal conference, the parties agreed that electronic procedures should be utilized for the case.¹ The parties agreed that the procedural schedule contained in February 10, 2015 Order should be revised and reinstated.²

Having considered the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the use of electronic procedures will assist in a thorough and efficient review of the case and should be utilized in this proceeding. The Commission further finds that the procedural schedule established in the February 10, 2015 Order should be revised and are reinstated.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The electronic filing procedures established in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, shall be used in lieu of other filing procedures established in 807 KAR 5:001.

2. Within seven days of the date of this Order, Augusta and Bracken District shall file with the Commission written statements that they, or their authorized agents, possess the facilities to receive electronic transmissions.

3. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.

4. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

² *Id.*

¹ Intra-Agency Memorandum filed March 16, 2015.

5. All provisions of the February 10, 2015 Order that are not in conflict with the terms of this Order shall remain in effect.

6. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission ENTERED MAR 1 8 2015 KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2015-00039 DATED MAR 1 8 2015

Intervenors may file an initial request for information to Augusta no later than03/18/2015
Augusta shall file its responses to the Commission's request for information, which is set forth in Appendix B, of the Commission's February 10, 2015 Order and the initial request of the Intervenors no later than
Second requests for information to Augusta shall be filed no later than04/13/2015
Augusta shall file responses to the second requests for information no later than04/27/2015
Third requests for information to Augusta shall be filed no later than05/11/2015
Augusta shall file responses to the third request for information no later than05/26/2015
Intervenor testimony, if any, shall be filed in verified prepared form no later than06/08/2015
All request for information to any Intervenors shall be filed no later than06/22/2015
Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than07/06/2015
An informal conference shall be held at the Commission's offices for the purpose of considering the possibility of settlement, the simplication of issues, and any other matters that may aid in the handling or disposition of this case
Public Hearing is to be held at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses

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