#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

# ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF MARTIN)COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR AN)ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT)

CASE NO. 2018-00017

#### <u>ORDER</u>

The Commission, by order dated October 18, 2018, sustained a motion filed by Martin County Water District (Martin District) that sought approval to pay certain outstanding indebtedness with funds contained in a surcharge account established by a previous Order of this Commission. On December 20, 2018, the Commission ordered Martin District to issue requests for proposals for management services, covering all of its operations, to entities identified in Appendix B of its Order dated November 5, 2018, and to advertise for additional proposals between January 18, 2019, and February 1, 2019, in at least one local newspaper and one newspaper of statewide circulation.

Lastly, Martin District was subjected to a financial audit covering the year 2016, but such audit has not been completed and filed with the Commission because Martin District has not paid the accounting firm employed to perform it. The Commission reasonably believes that entities potentially interested in performing management services for the District will require a review of this most recent audit prior to tendering a management proposal.

### ACCORDINGLY, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Notwithstanding any priority of payment to creditors established by the Commission's Order of October 18, 2018, the Martin District shall immediately contact White and Associates, the firm contracted to perform the 2016 audit, and arrange to pay all invoices required by White and Associates to complete its work and produce a finalized audit report as soon as possible.

2. Martin District, upon receipt of the audit report, shall forthwith furnish a copy to the Public Service Commission and offer to make such report available to all parties interested in potentially providing management services to Martin District.

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