COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF NORTHERN)KENTUCKY WATER DISTRICT FOR AN)ADJUSTMENT OF RATES; ISSUANCE OF BONDS;)FINANCING; AND TARIFF REVISIONS)

<u>COMMISSION STAFF'S FOURTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION</u> <u>TO NORTHERN KENTUCKY WATER DISTRICT</u>

Northern Kentucky Water District (Northern Kentucky District), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission the original and an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on or before February 26, 2019. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Northern Kentucky District shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information that indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Northern Kentucky District fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Northern Kentucky District shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When filing a document containing personal information, Northern Kentucky District shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the document so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to the Direct Testimony of Lindsey Rechtin, line 59–60.

a. Explain what is meant by the statement "partially offset the demand forces not controllable by the District resulting in declining consumption."

b. Provide supporting information that demonstrates the level of declining consumption.

2. State whether Northern Kentucky District purchases chemicals pursuant to a firm contract.

a. If chemicals are not purchased pursuant to a firm contract, explain Northern Kentucky District's process for procuring chemicals and explain why it does not purchase chemicals under a firm contract.

b. If chemicals are purchased pursuant to a firm contract, provide copies of the contracts.

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3. Refer to Northern Kentucky's response to Commission Staff's First Request, Item 2, regarding salary increases. Explain in specific detail how Northern Kentucky District determines the amount it will budget for salary increases each year and the percentage of its budget for salary increases in 2017 and 2018.

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