COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF)	CASE NO.
HENDERSON WATER UTILITY REVISING ITS)	2021-00067
WHOLESALE WATER SERVICE RATES	j	

ORDER

On June 10, 2021, Henderson Water Utility (Henderson Water) filed a motion requesting permission for parties to file briefs summarizing their respective positions. Henderson Water requests that, after the entry of an order permitting briefs, the parties have 21 days to file one brief per party, and after the receipt of the briefs, for the case to be submitted on the record for a decision on the proposed tariff.

The Commission, having considered Henderson Water's motion, finds that it should be granted to develop a robust record upon which the Commission will render its decision. The parties' briefs should discuss at minimum (1) justification for charging different wholesale water rates to Henderson County Water District (Henderson District) and Beech Grove Water System (Beech Grove Water) for water purchased from the same water treatment facility (South Water system); (2) justification for the different "Contract Factors" - Henderson Water's calculation of the wholesale water rate charged to Henderson District uses a 1.25 factor¹ and wholesale water rate calculated for Beech

¹ Henderson Water's filing dated January 26, 2021, June 1, 1989 Contract between Henderson Water and Henderson District, Calculation of South Water Cost per Contract 6/30/2020.

Grove Water uses a 1.15 factor;² and (3) why it is appropriate for the wholesale water rate calculation for Henderson District to include an overhead billing adjustment but the wholesale water rate calculation for Beech Grove Water does not.

The suspension date for the proposed rates set forth in Henderson Water's tariff filing ends on August 1, 2021. The Commission will therefore grant Henderson Water's motion under the condition that the proposed rates set forth in the tariff not be put into effect until the Commission makes a final decision in this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that

- 1. Henderson Water's motion to allow briefing by the parties is granted, with each party to submit a brief within 21 days of the entry of this Order.
- 2. The proposed rates by Henderson Water shall not be put into effect until the Commission has been fully briefed by the parties and reaches a final decision on the tariff and proposed rates set forth therein.

² *Id.*, The October 10, 2014 Agreement between Henderson Water and Beech Grove Water, Calculation of South Water Cost per Contract 6/30/2020.

By the Commission

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