## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF WATER	)	
SERVICE CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY FOR A	)	
GENERAL ADJUSTMENT IN EXISTING RATES	)	CASE NO.
AND A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE	)	2022-00147
AND NECESSITY TO DEPLOY ADVANCED	)	
METERING INFRASTRUCTURE	)	

## ORDER

This matter arises upon the motion of the city of Clinton, Kentucky (Clinton), to allow Clinton City Clerk Shannon Payne to testify virtually at the hearing scheduled for November 30, 2022, or in the alternative to excuse Ms. Payne from the hearing and allow her testimony to stand as submitted. According to Clinton, due to the three-day travel commitment and the timing of the hearing, Ms. Payne's in-person attendance would leave the Clinton Clerk's office understaffed during her absence.

In support of its motion, Clinton stated that there is only one assistant who is largely unable to assist with Ms. Payne's responsibilities as city treasurer as well as preparing multiple financial reports for the city council meeting at the beginning of the month in December. Clinton stated that Ms. Payne was allowed to testify virtually at Water Service Corporation of Kentucky's last rate case in 2020, and, at that time, she was last on the roster, she was not cross-examined, and her virtual attendance allowed her to perform as many of her duties as possible while waiting to testify.

To date, no other party to this case has filed a response or an objection to Clinton's request to allow Ms. Payne to testify virtually.

The Commission, being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that Clinton established good cause to permit Ms. Payne to testify virtually based on the fact there appears to be no objection by the other parties, and her virtual attendance will allow her to perform her duties as city clerk until such time she is required to provide testimony, to prevent any strain on resources or undue hardship to the residents of Clinton.

## IT IS THERFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Clinton's motion is granted in part and denied in part.
- 2. The request for Ms. Payne to testify virtually is granted.
- 3. The request for Ms. Payne to be excused from testifying is denied.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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