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July 21, 2005

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RE: Case No. 2005-00148

We enclose one attested copy of the Commission's Order in the above case.

Sincerely,

Beth O'Donnell Executive Director

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY)WATER DISTRICT FOR (A) FOR AN)ADJUSTMENT OF RATES; (B) A CERTIFICATE)CASE NO. 2005-00148OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO WATER FACILITIES IF)NECESSARY AND (C) ISSUANCE OF BONDS)

<u>order</u>

On May 27, 2005, Northern Kentucky Water District ("NKWD") applied to the Commission for an adjustment of rates, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct certain improvements to its water facilities if necessary, and authority to issue revenue bonds. Because of deficiencies in its initial filing, NKWD's application was not accepted for filing until July 1, 2005. NKWD proposes to place its proposed rates into effect on August 1, 2005. Having considered the proposed rate revision and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rate revision.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The proposed rates are hereby suspended for 5 months from August 1, 2005 up to and including December 31, 2005.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A shall be followed.

3. a. All responses to requests for information shall be appropriately indexed. All responses shall include the name of the witness who will be responsible for

responding to the questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record and 8 copies to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be under oath or 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.

c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information upon the basis of which it knows that the response was incorrect when made, or though correct when made is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any request to which a party refuses to furnish the requested information that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to furnish.

4. At any hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimony shall be permitted.

5. 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.

6. All documents that this Order requires to be filed with the Commission shall be served upon all other parties.

7. Service of any document or pleading shall be made in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 3(7), and Kentucky Civil Rule 5.02.

8. NKWD shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set out in 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8(5). At the time publication is requested, NKWD shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

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

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of July, 2005.

By the Commission

AFTEST Executive Director

Case No. 2005-00148

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2005-00148

All parties and Commission Staff shall serve their requests for information to NKWD no later than
NKWD shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record its responses to the requests for information no later than
All parties and Commission Staff shall serve their supplemental requests for information upon NKWD no later than
NKWD shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record its responses to the supplemental requests for information no later than
Intervenor testimony, if any, shall be filed with the Commission in verified prepared form no later than
All requests for information to any Intervenor shall be served upon that Intervenor no later than
Intervenors shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record their responses to the requests for information no later than
NKWD may file with the Commission the testimony of its rebuttal witnesses in written verified form no later than
Last day for NKWD to publish notice of the hearing date(To be scheduled)
Public Hearing is to begin at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of NKWD and Intervenors(To be scheduled)
Parties may file written briefs with the Commission no later than