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January 27, 2014

W. Randall Jones, Esq. Rubin & Hays Kentucky Home Trust Building 450 South Third Street Louisville, Kentucky 40202 Mr. Leihman Howard Hyden-Leslie County Water District 325 Wendover Road Hyden, Kentucky 41749

Re: Case No. 2013-00388

Hyden-Leslie County Water District

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Gentlemen:

The enclosed electronic mail messages have been filed in the record. Any objections to this action should be submitted to the Commission within five days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

Jeff Derouen

Executive Director

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Enclosures

- 1. Email dtd 13 Jan 2014 1444
- 2. Email dtd 13 Jan 2014 1503
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- 5. Email dtd 14 Jan 2014 0935
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From: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)
To: wrjones@rubinhays.com

Subject: Case No. 2013-00388: Hyden-Leslie Water District

Date: Monday, January 13, 2014 2:44:21 PM

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From: Randy Jones

To: <u>Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)</u>

Subject: RE: Case No. 2013-00388: Hyden-Leslie Water District

Date: Monday, January 13, 2014 3:03:31 PM

I forwarded your questions to Mike Maggard for direct response.

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Attachments: KRWFC Final 12.12.13.XLS

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The as-bid project cost is \$3,825,000. The coal severance grants amounted to \$1,505,497. The final KRWFC loan amount is \$2,435,000 (less than the preliminary figure of \$2,455,000 due to receiving a more favorable interest rate on the KRWFC Bonds). The loan proceeds are broken down as outlined in the final spreadsheet attached hereto. As you can see, the net amount to be received by the District for construction purposes is \$2,320,000 (the shortfall amount listed in Exhibit "A" of the Application). The remainder of the loan proceeds are used for capitalized interest, costs of issuance and underwriter's discount.

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Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporaition Public Projects Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 F (Hyden-Leslie County Water District Note)

Sources & Uses

Dated 12/18/2013 | Delivered 12/18/2013

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Sources	Of Funds	

Sources Of Funds	
Par Amount of Bonds	\$2,435,000.00
Reoffering Premium	50,915.85
Total Sources	\$2,485,915.85
Uses Of Funds	
Total Underwriter's Discount (0.750%)	18,262.50
Costs of Issuance	41,525.00
Deposit to Capitalized Interest (CIF) Fund	103,216.94
Deposit to Project Construction Fund	2,320,000.00
Rounding Amount	2,911.41
Total Uses	\$2,485,915.85

\$2,435,000

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Debt Service Schedule

Date	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total P+I	Fiscal Total
12/18/2013	-	-	-	-	-
08/01/2014	-	-	30,166.94	30,166.94	-
12/31/2014	-	-	-	-	30,166.94
02/01/2015	-	-	24,350.00	24,350.00	-
08/01/2015	=	-	24,350.00	24,350.00	-
12/31/2015	=	=	-	-	48,700.00
02/01/2016	2,435,000.00	2.000%	24,350.00	2,459,350.00	-
12/31/2016	-	-	-	-	2,459,350.00
Total	\$2,435,000.00	-	\$103,216.94	\$2,538,216.94	-
Yield Statistics					
Yield Statistics Bond Year Dollars					\$5,160.85
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Bond Year Dollars Average Life					2.119 Years
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Final

\$2,435,000

Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporaition Public Projects Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 F (Hyden-Leslie County Water District Note)

Net Debt Service Schedule

Fiscal Total	Net New D/S	CIF	Expenses	Total P+I	Interest	Coupon	Principal	Date
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12/18/2013
-	450.00	-	450.00	-	-	-	-	02/01/2014
-	-	(30,166.94)	-	30,166.94	30,166.94	-	-	08/01/2014
450.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12/31/2014
-	450.00	(24,350.00)	450.00	24,350.00	24,350.00	-	-	02/01/2015
-	-	(24,350.00)	-	24,350.00	24,350.00	-	-	08/01/2015
450.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12/31/2015
-	2,435,450.00	(24,350.00)	450.00	2,459,350.00	24,350.00	2.000%	2,435,000.00	02/01/2016
2,435,450.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12/31/2016
=	\$2,436,350.00	(103,216.94)	\$1,350.00	\$2,538,216.94	\$103,216.94	-	\$2,435,000.00	Total

\$2,435,000

Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporaition Public Projects Revenue Bonds, Series 2013 F (Hyden-Leslie County Water District Note)

Pricing Summary

Maturity	Type of Bond	Coupon	Yield	Maturity Value	Price	Dollar Price
02/01/2016	Term 1 Coupon	2.000%	1.000%	2,435,000.00	102.091%	2,485,915.85
Total	-	-	-	\$2,435,000.00	-	\$2,485,915.85
Bid Information	n					
Par Amount of Bo	onds					\$2,435,000.00
Reoffering Premi	um or (Discount)					50,915.85
Gross Production						\$2,485,915.85
Total Underwrite	r's Discount (0.750%)					\$(18,262.50)
Bid (101.341%)						2,467,653.35
Total Purchase Pr	rice					\$2,467,653.35
Bond Year Dollars	S					\$5,160.85
Average Life						2.119 Years
Average Coupon						1.9999999%
Net Interest Cost	(NIC)					1.3672869%
True Interest Cos	t (TIC)				<u></u>	1.3555361%

From: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)
To: W. Randall Jones Esq.

Subject: Case No. 2013-00388: Hyden-Leslie Water District

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 4:18:15 AM

Importance: High

Mr. Jones:

Some additional questions have arisen in the above-referenced proceeding.

First, in the application and in your message of 1/13/2014, reference is made to coal severance grants of \$1,505,497. In HB 608 (2008 Ky. Acts Ch. 191), the General Assembly appropriated \$2,000,000 to Hyden-Leslie WD for the proposed project. (In HB 608, three projects are specifically mentioned: WX21131007, WX21131008, and WX21113111. These projects are listed in Exhibit A to the Application.) Explain why only \$1,505,497 is available for use on the proposed project. If a portion of the appropriated funds has already been used, please advise as to how Hyden-Leslie WD used these funds.

Second, based upon the present number of applicants for service, the proposed project will provide water service to 210 customers at an average cost per customer of \$18,214 (\$3,825,000/210 customers). Based upon the WD's expectations of 300 customers by completion of the project, the average cost per customer is \$12,750. To the extent that the WD has any knowledge, how does this level of expenditure compare with other projects that the WD has constructed or with other water utilities within the area development district in which the WD is located?

Third, the WD's Application does not explain why the proposed extension of water service is necessary other than to indicate that the area is not currently served by a water supplier. In the Drinking Water Project Profiles for Projects WX21131007, WX21131008, and WX21113111, the WD indicated that the existing water supply to persons in the area to be served was failing or subject to contamination. Please indicate how the persons in the area to be served by the proposed project are obtaining water and what problems, in any, presently exist with that water source. Please provide either a copy or a reference to all studies or reports on the quality of that water source.

Your assistance in addressing these questions is greatly appreciated.

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From: Mike Maggard

To: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

Cc: Randy Jones; hlwater tds.net

Subject: Hyden - Leslie County Water District Case No. 2013-00388

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 9:35:43 AM

Attachments: pscresponse11414.docx

Jerry,

Please find attached the responses to the last questions that you asked Randy Jones .

Thanks,

Michael K. Maggard Sisler - Maggard Engineering

- 1. The funds were used for construction of Project Phase I which included a portion of WX 21131007.
- 2. Usually the average cost per customer for the District is approximately \$10,000 per customer. As the District expands further and further away from the previous projects the cost of installation increases and the areas that contained the higher population densities have already been served. Therefore, these areas contain less population density and increased construction costs.
- 3. The proposed customers currently obtain their drinking water from wells, springs and hauling water. A portion of the existing wells are contaminated with ecoli, high sulphur and high iron contents.

From: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)
To: Covington, John (KIA)
Subject: Request For Assistance

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 4:33:13 AM

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To: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

Cc: Barnes, Amy (DLG); Covington, John (KIA)

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Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2014 8:11:24 AM

1-15-14

HB269 coal severance grant

WRIS	Project Title	County	Entity	Coal Sev- HB269	Balance	Closed
WX21131007	Leslie County Fiscal Court - Bobs Fork, Sizerock Water Extensions	Leslie	Hyden-Leslie County Water District	\$1,378,890.00	\$0.00	

Coal (bond) fund grants

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WX21131007	120C - 2007	Hyden Leslie Water District - Hell for Certain Water Line Extensions	Leslie	Hyden- Leslie County Water District	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	380 - 2006	N
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Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2014 10:48:56 AM

Jerry:

I can check with the Water District and the engineer/project administrator (Sissler-Maggard) to see what their intentions are regarding funding the \$1,505,497 proposed project. Please advise.

Debby

From: Barnes, Amy (DLG)

Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2014 10:44 AM **To:** Milton, Debby (KIA); Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

Cc: Covington, John (KIA)

Subject: RE: Request For Assistance

Hello everyone:

Unfortunately, I am not showing any coal severance line-items in HB 265 for water projects in Leslie County so there is nothing yet to be certified to DLG so I can't add to the \$1.5 million figure.

Debby, there was that old HB 267 project that expired on June 30, 2007 - 21131008 HYDEN-LESLIE WATER DISTRICT GRASSY WATER LINE EXTENSIONS - \$600,000. As you will recall, we returned these funds to the Leslie County single county account because the MOA had expired and the authorization for this project lapsed.

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Amy

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Subject: Case No. 2013-00388: Hyden-Leslie County Water District

Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2014 12:31:58 PM

Mr. Jones:

In the course of reviewing the proposed project in the above-referenced case, Commission Staff contacted the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority to confirm the availability of \$1,505,497 in appropriated funds for the proposed project. KIA officials advised me this morning that these funds are not available for WRIS Projects No.WX21131007, No. WX21131008, and No. WX21113111. They report that Hyden-Leslie County Water District has a balance of funds of only \$195,604.

Please advise the Commission in writing as to the source of \$1,505,497 in funds to which the Application refers and which account for approximately 40 percent of the project's funding. If possible, please reconcile the discrepancy between the Application's statements and KIA's statement to Commission Staff.

Respectfully,

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Subject: RE: Case No. 2013-00388: Hyden-Leslie County Water District

Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2014 2:57:42 PM

Attachments: pscresponse11514.docx

Mr. Wuetcher,

Attached please find the Engineer's response to your questions.

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Subject: Case No. 2013-00388: Hyden-Leslie County Water District

Mr. Jones:

In the course of reviewing the proposed project in the above-referenced case, Commission Staff contacted the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority to confirm the availability of \$1,505,497 in appropriated funds for the proposed project. KIA officials advised me this morning that these funds are not available for WRIS Projects No.WX21131007, No. WX21131008, and No. WX21113111. They report that Hyden-Leslie County Water District has a balance of funds of only \$195,604.

Please advise the Commission in writing as to the source of \$1,505,497 in funds to which the Application refers and which account for approximately 40 percent of the project's funding. If possible, please reconcile the discrepancy between the Application's statements and KIA's statement to Commission Staff.

Respectfully,

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