

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF BREATHITT)	CASE NO.
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR AN)	2017-00140
ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT)	

ORDER

On March 31, 2017, the Commission received Breathitt County Water District's ("Breathitt County") application ("Application") requesting to adjust its monthly water service rates pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076. Breathitt County's application was accepted for filing on March 31, 2017. Finding that a procedural schedule should be established to ensure the orderly review of Breathitt County's application, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS¹ that:

1. No later than July 7, 2017, Commission Staff shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record a written report ("Staff Report") containing its findings and recommendations regarding Breathitt County's requested rate adjustment.

2. No later than 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report each party of record shall file with the Commission:

a. Its written comments on and any objections to the findings contained in the Commission Staff Report; and

¹ No action is necessary to suspend the effective date of Breathitt County's proposed rates for general water service. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, Section 7(1), an applicant who applies for a rate adjustment pursuant to the procedures set for in 807 KAR 5:076 may not place its proposed rates into effect until the Commission approves those rates or six months from the date of the filing of its application.

b. Any additional evidence for the Commission to consider.

3. If Commission Staff finds that Breathitt County's financial condition supports a higher rate than Breathitt County proposes or the assessment of an additional rate or charge not proposed in Breathitt County's Application, Breathitt County in its response to the Commission Staff Report shall also state its position in writing on whether the Commission should authorize the assessment of the higher rate or the additional rate or charge.

4. If Commission Staff finds that changes should be made to the manner in which Breathitt County accounts for the depreciation of Breathitt County's assets, Breathitt County in its response to the Commission Staff Report shall also state its position in writing on whether the Commission should require Breathitt County to implement the proposed change for accounting purposes.

5. A party's failure to file written objections to a finding contained in the Commission Staff Report within 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report shall be deemed a waiver of all objections to that finding.

6. If a party requests a hearing or informal conference, then the party shall make the request in its written comments and state the reason why a hearing or informal conference is necessary.

7. A party's failure to request a hearing or informal conference in the party's written response shall be deemed a waiver of all rights to a hearing on the Application and a request that the case stand submitted for decision.

8. A party's failure to file a written response within 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report shall be deemed waiver of all rights to a hearing on the application.

9. Any motion to intervene shall be filed no later than May 5, 2017.

10. Any motion to intervene filed after May 5, 2017, shall show a basis for intervention and good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

By the Commission



ATTEST:


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