COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF WESTERN PULASKI)	
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR RATE)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL UTILITIES)	2017-00172
PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:076)	

ORDER

On April 20, 2017, the Commission received Western Pulaski County Water District's ("Western Pulaski") application ("Application") requesting to adjust its monthly water service rates pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076. The Application was accepted for filing on April 20, 2017. Finding that a procedural schedule should be established to ensure the orderly review of Western Pulaski's Application, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS¹ that:

- 1. No later than July 20, 2017, Commission Staff shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record a written report containing its findings and recommendations regarding Western Pulaski'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 Western Pulaski'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 Western Pulaski's financial condition supports a higher rate than Western Pulaski proposes or the assessment of an additional rate or charge not proposed in Western Pulaski's Application, Western Pulaski 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 Western Pulaski accounts for the depreciation of Western Pulaski's assets, Western Pulaski in its response to the Commission Staff Report shall also state its position in writing on whether the Commission should require Western Pulaski 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 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 a waiver of all rights to a hearing on the application.
 - 9. Any motion to intervene shall be filed no later than May 26, 2017.
- 10. Any motion to intervene filed after May 26, 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

ENTERED

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

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