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To: Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC)
From: Myron S. Lewis, Elliott County Judge Executive
Re: Case # 2021-00340 & Recommendation for Board Member Re-instatement

To Whom it May Concern,

Pursuant to a vacancy on the Rattlesnake Ridge Board of Directors in Elliott County, I am formally submitting this letter of strong recommendation for Mike Copley to be reinstated. Mike has served on this board since 2017 before I was elected in 2018. Though I cannot definitively speak to any of his efforts prior to January of 2019, I can absolutely testify to his faithful service since.

Rattlesnake Ridge & the Elliott County Fiscal Court have partnered to construct several miles of water lines during my short 4.75-year tenure in office right here in Elliott. Furthermore, during the pandemic of 2020-2021, we were able to secure funding for more meters/taps to be set with government assisted funding dollars, which saved our citizens thousands. We have also seen the responsible purchase of new equipment, a newly constructed administrative office & shop for employees, and pump station improvements across the RRWD network. Mike Copley and his common-sense leadership has been more than just instrumental during all of these upgrades. It has been proven to be paramount.

In 17 years of managing pivotal locations and thousands of team members for Pilot/Flying J TravelCenters, I learned early that the speed of the leader becomes the speed of the team. Mike has displayed this effort whenever called upon, day or night. Remember, he is a board member, not an employee, and he still will work daily for his neighbors on the RRWD system.

As the Chief Cheerleading Officer for Elliott County, Mike Copley has my unequivocal support to be reinstated on the Rattlesnake Ridge Board of Directors. This is one member spot on thousands of boards that isn't broken. I see absolutely no reason for a fix.

Thank you for your efforts in properly navigating through these issues with Rattlesnake Ridge. If I can be of any further service to you during this process, or any other, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,

Elliott County Judge Executive