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COMMISSION****From:** rick murphy [REDACTED] >**Sent:** Tuesday, August 4, 2026 2:31:05 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**To:** PSC Electronic Filings Mailbox <pscfilings@ky.gov>; rick murphy [REDACTED]**Subject:** Re: Mail Item Logged For Case# 2026-00206

In reference to the letter from Ohio County Water District dated August 4, 2026, Mr. Hickman stated the ditch was not draining when the repair was made by the OCWD. The water main leak in the ditch near the mailbox was first reported in June of 2022. The leak was reported a total of three times over the course of three years. During this time the bank of the ditch was severely eroding, filling the ditch with dirt and debris causing water to stand in the ditch. The next incorrect statement made by Mr. Hickman was in reference to a drainage tile laid under the county road cleared by the OCWD at Mr. Murphy's request. The OCWD cleared the tile at the influent side in the area of the leak, but failed to open the effluent side of the tile as it was collapsed. The drawing shows a tile in the ditch which is inaccurate. The reason the water ponded was due to the repair work performed due to a deep cut in the ditch left by the OCWD repair crew, as depicted by the pictures. The picture presented by the OCWD does not show the extensive damage to the sidewalk, nor ruts left by the heavy equipment 40 feet into the front yard from the leak site. The picture accompanying the letter was taken before November 11, 2025 as Mr. Smith returned to the site, damaging the site once again. I ask him why he was compelled to damage the yard once again by working the ground with a backhoe in the mud. He stated he was told to do so. On July 25, 2026 I contacted my neighbor to help open up the mentioned ditch at 579 Mavins Chapel Road and open the effluent side of the road tile due to a mosquito infestation. Once again the Ohio County Water Department failed to resolve the situation along with the Ohio County Road Department. To date we can not mow the damaged areas. The water meter boxes are six inches out of the ground. Ruts are full of water. A portion of a ninety year old sidewalk is destroyed. I worked in the Environmental Field over the course of fifty years. Forty one of those years were spent operating water and wastewater systems across Kentucky. I served as Director of Public Works, City Superintendent, Water and Wastewater Plant Operator, Distribution Manager, Collection System Operator and City Engineering Department. If we had left a property in this condition we would have been fired. I placed metal poles and caution tape around the damaged areas. I invite anyone

representing the Kentucky Public Service Commission to personally view the area in question. Thank you for your service to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

On Tue, Aug 4, 2026 at 10:00 AM KY_PSC Filings <PSCFilings@ky.gov> wrote:

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