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March 26, 2004

Mr. Thomas Dorman Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

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COMMISSION

Dear Tom:

Enclosed please find an original and ten copies of the Shelby County Public Schools' Motion to Intervene in Commission proceedings relating to the proposed reduction of North Shelby Water Company's fire protection tariff. If you need anything further from us or have any questions, please feel to call at your convenience.

Case 2004-00105

Please give my best to Mrs. Bertrand.

Yours, -Jun -

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
PROPOSED CHANGE)
OF FIRE PROTECTION)
TARIFF OF NORTH SHELBY)
WATER COMPANY)

Case No. 2004-00105

MOTION TO INTERVENE

Comes now the Shelby County Public Schools and moves for leave to intervene in the pending tariff case of North Shelby Water District. By letter dated March 10, 2004, Movant was informed that the utility had issued a revised tariff seeking to decrease the rate it charges facilities with fire protection sprinklers. Movant seeks to intervene on the following bases:

1. The Shelby County Public Schools owns and operates two recently constructed schools on Warrior Way north of Shelbyville, Kentucky, just off Ky. Hgwy. 53 North.

2. North Shelby provides water service and, through separate eight inch (8") lines, provides water for sprinkler systems in both buildings.

3. North Shelby currently charges \$.0075 per square foot of "sprinklered space" for the privilege of having fire protection in the buildings.

4. North Shelby has proposed to reduce this rate by one-half to \$.00375 per square foot of sprinklered space.

5. North Shelby Water Company's Fire Protection Tariff, even if reduced as proposed, assesses a charge on the basis of "sprinklered space per month" and does not comply with the requirements of 807 KAR 5:095(3).

6. The charge, as proposed and applied to the correct square footage of Painted Stone Elemetary School, would still exceed the monthly bill for water usage incurred by Movant. See monthly bills for Painted Stone Elementary School for the year 2003 attached as Exhibit 1.

7. Movant is informed and believes that the Louisville Water Company charges customers a bimonthly service charge \$101.00 for 8" lines serving sprinkler systems. This charge is less than one-fifth the reduced rate proposed by North Shelby.

8. North Shelby's proposed rate is neither fair, just, nor reasonable and should be stricken from its tariff until the utility can provide credible evidence to the Commission that the rate complies with the requirement of KRS 807 KAR 5:095(3).

9. Since the completion of Painted Stone Elementary School until February 20, 2004, North Shelby billed and Movant paid for fire protection under the tariff on the basis of incorrect square footage in the building. After months of trying, Movant finally received a refund of the overcharge for 10 months. The utility cited an unspecified "Public Service Commission general rule" to the effect that it was unable to make a complete refund. See February 20, 2004, letter from Donald T. Prather, Esq., attached as Exhibit 2.

THEREFORE, Movant prays that:

1. It be granted leave to intervene in this proceeding.

2. North Shelby Water Company's Fire Protection rate be stricken from its tariff.

3. North Shelby Water Company be ordered by the Commission to refund all overcharges paid by Movant under its Fire Protection Tariff as filed.

Respectfully submitted, John David Myles

Counsel for the Shelby County Public Schools 413 Sixth Street Shelbyville, Kentucky 40342

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Motion to Intervene was mailed first class postage prepaid this 26 day of March to Donald T. Prather, Esq., counsel for the North Shelby Water Company, at 500 Main Street, Suite 5, Shelbyville, Kentucky 40065.

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February 20, 2004

John David Myles, Esq. 413 Sixth Street Shelbyville, Kentucky 40065

Re: North Shelby Water Company

Dear John David:

Enclosed is a check from North Shelby Water Company in the amount of \$1,575.00 representing a refund of fire protection charges for Painted Stone Elementary School. The refund is for the months of May 2003 through February 2004, a total of ten months. The square footage should be adjusted beginning with the March bill.

The refund was calculated as follows:

97,000 square feet -76,000 square feet

21,000 excess square footage x .0075 which is the fire protection rate

157.50 per month overcharge

The letter containing the revised square footage was received in October 2003, but was too late to put it into effect for the October bill. Accordingly, the Company is refunding the overcharge beginning with November 2003 through February 2004. Additionally, the Board voted to refund the six months prior to November, which is consistent with the Public Service Commission general rule that an overcharge or undercharge is to be corrected for the previous six months. This equals a total of ten months at \$157.50, which equals \$1,575.00. John David Myles, Esq. February 20, 2004 Page Two

I am under the impression that the excess charge was only in effect for an additional eight months prior to May 2003. The Board did not feel it had the authority to refund this additional amount since it was for a period prior to the six-month bill correction cutoff normally enforced by Public Service Commission. This would have amounted to only an additional \$1,200.00 in any event.

Management and the company engineer are adamant that they repeatedly requested the correct square footage for Painted Stone Elementary School and were not provided this information until the October 6, 2003 letter from Dr. Mooneyhan.

Although the Board did vote to change the Tariff in mid-2003, the change never occurred. That being the case, North Shelby has no choice but to charge the Tariff rate until the Tariff is changed. Sandy Broughman is working on that change, and it should be filed immediately. I have confirmed with the Public Service Commission that we do not have to publish notice of the change in the Sentinel News, which would be an additional delay. The P.S.C. indicates a letter to the one affected customer, namely, Shelby County Public Schools, will be sufficient for their purposes. I will keep you advised of our progress on the Tariff.

Yours Truly,

MATHIS, RIGGS & PRATHER, P.S.C.

T. Prather

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Cc: Darrell Dees, Manager Sandy Broughman, Engineer Duncan LeCompte, President

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