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COMMISSION

Re: Kinzer Drilling Farm Tap Increase Case No. 2005-00478

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

We submit for filing the original motion to compel and motion for an informal conference in the above-captioned case. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

> Sincerely, Dimothy C. Botes

Timothy C. Bates

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: J. W. KINZER DRILLING COMPANY'S)CASE NO.REQUEST TO INCREASE THE COST OF)2005-00478NATURAL GAS FOR FARM TAP RATES)

INTERVENOR'S MOTION TO COMPEL AND MOTION FOR AN INFORMAL CONFERENCE AND/OR FORMAL HEARING

Comes now the Intervener in the above captioned matter, pro se, and moves the Commission for an order compelling Kinzer to answer the discovery requests propounded on January 5, 2005. Moreover, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 section 4(1) and section 4 (4), the Intervener moves the Commission for an informal conference or in the alternative a formal hearing, the purposes of which would be to address the rate increase in general as well as to address the questions arising from Kinzer's failure to respond to said discovery.

The responses received from Kinzer's counsel reflect obstructionism aimed at avoiding legitimate issues raised by the Intervener. Apparently, Kinzer cannot justify their rate increase. Thus, a conference and/ or hearing is now needed.

Additionally, the Intervener, would respond to Kinzer's motions to strike and to deny Intervener's status as a full intervener, by pointing out the the Commission's order of December 21,2005, which states unequivocally that **Timothy C. Bates's request for intervention is granted , he is to be given the full rights of a party and he shall have the right to serve interrogatories and request for production of documents**. The Intervener's rights in this regard where not limited in any way, thus Kinzers' motions are nothing more than attempt to avoid answering the discovery which was propounded.

Respectfully submitted,

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BY: _______ Est_____ TIMOTHY C. BATES ATTORNEY AT LAW

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the attached Interrogatories and Requests have been served by mailing a copy the same, postage prepaid to the following persons on this 24 th day of January, 2006:

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