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Re: Case No. 2011-00233

Case No. 2011-00390

Graves County Water District

Ms. McAdoo and Gentlemen:

The enclosed memorandum has been filed in the record of the above-referenced case. Any comments regarding this memorandum's contents should be submitted to the Commission within five days of receipt of this letter. Any questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to Gerald Wuetcher, Executive Advisor/Attorney, at (502) 564-3940, Extension 259.

Sincerely,

Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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Enclosure

INTRA-AGENCY MEMORANDUM

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

TO: Case File No. 2011-00233

Gerald Wuetcher **SEW** Executive Advisor/Attorney FROM:

SUBJECT: Conference Call of October 13, 2011

DATE: November 1, 2011

On October 13, 2011, Commission Staff held a telephone conference call with representatives of Graves County Water District ("GCWD"). Participating were:

> Kevin Leonard – Mayfield Electric and Water System ("MEWS") Kristi McAdoo - MEWS Brent Shultz - MEWS Mark Frost – Commission Staff Jason Green - Commission Staff Dennis Jones – Commission Staff Sam Reid - Commission Staff Bob Robards - Commission Staff George Wakim - Commission Staff Gerald Wuetcher – Commission Staff

On October 12, 2011, Commission Staff requested the conference call to address several questions regarding GCWD's application. The electronic mail messages and correspondence that organized the conference call are attached.

Commission Staff requested clarification regarding the number of meters that GCWD intended to purchase. Mr. Leonard and Mr. Shultz stated that GCWD intended to purchase approximately 4,250 meters. They noted that the estimate shown at Exhibit A-1 was based on purchasing meters for the existing GCWD only and did not consider replacement of Hickory Water District's meters. They noted that, should Hickory Water District merger with GCWD, GCWD would require a total of 4,250 meters.

Mr. Leonard and Mr. Shultz also noted that Exhibit A-2, while reflecting the proposed merger of GCWD and Hickory Water District, represented a conservative cost estimate. This estimate assumed the purchase of 5,000 residential meters. It also assumed the purchase of seven tower gateway base ("TGB") systems, one for each water district water storage tank and a spare TGB system. The estimate also assumed an hourly wage rate of \$25, which Mr. Leonard and Mr. Shultz conceded is higher than the current labor market rate. Mr. Leonard and Mr. Shultz also noted that this estimate assumed that holes could be drilled into existing water pit lids to allow their use with the Case File No. 2011-00233 November 1, 2011 Page 2

proposed AMI equipment. GCWD later discovered that the water pit lids would require replacement.

As to Exhibit A-3, Mr. Leonard and Mr. Shultz stated that it was the most current, but requires some modifications. First, the quantity of iPerl 3/4-inch water meters, 520m Smartpoints, and water pit lid replacements should be reduced to 4,250. (This estimate includes the replacement of meters now serving Hickory Water District customers.) Second, water pit lids have a unit cost of \$30 per lid. Third, only four TGBs will be purchased. GCWD has determined that only four TGBs would be needed to field the AMI system, but had intended to purchase a fifth TGB as a backup should any of the deployed TGBs fail. It has now concluded that only four should be purchased immediately. Fourth, labor costs should be based upon an hourly wage rate of \$17.62 instead of \$25.00. Finally, Mr. Leonard and Mr. Shultz noted that Exhibit A-3 included the estimated cost of \$30,000 to upgrade existing MEWS AMI systems that would be used to read GCWD's meters and to enable 2-way communication between the meters and MEWS's central station.

(Based upon the information provided during the conference call, Commission Staff has produced a revised projection of the project cost. In addition to the revisions that GCWD and MEWS officials identified during the conference call, Commission Staff has revised the labor and vehicle cost to reflected the reduced number of hours needed to complete the project due to the lower number of meters to be installed. After determining the number of hours necessary to install a meter, Commission Staff multiplied this amount by 4,250 to produce revised labor and vehicle cost estimates. The complete projection is attached as Attachment 5.)

In response to Commission Staff's questions, Mr. Leonard stated that GCWD intends to purchase the 4,250 meters and Smartpoint sets immediately and then install them by geographical area. Upon complete deployment within a geographical area, GCWD would purchase and install a TGB to serve that geographical area. Given existing financial constraints, Mr. Leonard did not believe that all TGBs would be purchased immediately.

Mr. Wakim expressed some concern regarding the proposed expenditures should the current operations and management contract between MEWS and GCWD be terminated. Mr. Leonard responded that GCWD would still own the necessary infrastructure. It could contract with MEWS for billing and collection services only or could purchase additional equipment to perform all billing and collection services on its own.

Mr. Wakim also expressed some concerns over the use of electromagnetic metering technology and noted that the Commission had not yet established testing standards for this type of meter. In response to the possibility of scale formation and its effect on the meter's accuracy, Mr. Leonard stated that he was not aware of any problem with scale formation involving this type of meter. He further stated that all meters, even those using mechanical technologies, have experienced problems with

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scale formation. He stated that the proposed meters should be easier to maintain and require fewer repairs since they lack any moving part.

Mr. Robards inquired about the filter screen in the meters. Mr. Leonard stated that the screens were intended to catch only large debris, not small debris. He was not aware of any additional maintenance required for the meters as a result of the presence of the screens and was not aware of any problems caused by the filters. Mr. Leonard noted that several mechanical meters also have filter screens. Mr. Robards also inquired about the power source for the Smartpoint set. Mr. Shultz stated that the set would be powered by a battery. The battery's expected life is 20 years. The manufacturer has warranted the battery's life for the period.

Mr. Leonard stated that neither GCWD nor MEWS possessed any field test data on the iPerl meters. Neither he nor Mr. Shultz was aware of any utilities in Kentucky that currently use this type of meter. Mr. Shultz subsequently provided a list of utilities that have purchased and installed the proposed AMI equipment. (See Attachments 6 and 7.)

Mr. Wuetcher inquired whether the AMI equipment would enable GCWD to discontinue water service without making a field visit to the metering location. Mr. Leonard stated that the equipment would not currently permit remote discontinuance of service. Mr. Leonard stated that the proposed AMI equipment would permit GCWD to switch service into another customer's name without a service visit to manually read the water meter.

Mr. Wakim and Mr. Leonard briefly discussed testing procedures for the proposed meters. Mr. Wakim noted that Commission regulations required that the meters be tested every ten years. Mr. Leonard suggested that the Commission requirement may not be cost effectively. He noted that the meter's manufacturer had warranted the accuracy of the meter for 20 years. He stated that testing was expensive and most utilities were now discarding meters rather than test and return a meter to service. He inquired about obtaining a deviation from the Commission's regulation. Mr. Wuetcher advised that Commission regulations allowed for a water utility to request a deviation, but required the requesting utility to demonstrate that good cause for the test existed. Mr. Wuetcher noted that the Commission would need to review the effectiveness of the new meters, the cost involved in testing the meters, and the amount of revenue that testing would likely produce for the requesting utility. He could not anticipate how the Commission would rule on any request for a deviation.

Mr. Wuetcher inquired whether GCWD had received an opinion from its legal counsel on whether KRS 424.260 permitted GCWD to use bids obtained by MEWS rather than publishing its own requests for bids. Mr. Leonard stated that GCWD would discuss the matter with its counsel and advised Commission Staff. (On October 21, 2011, Mr. Neeley advised Mr. Wuetcher in a telephone call that no legal opinion on this matter had been issued to GCWD. On October 24, 2011, Mr. Leonard advised Mr.

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Wuetcher by telephone that GCWD planned to issue a request for bids on the proposed meter equipment to ensure compliance with KRS 424.260.)

The conference call then adjourned.

cc: Parties of Record

Attachments

- 1. E-mail Msg, 12 Oct 2011 2:27 PM.
- 2. Letter, 12 Oct 2011.
- 3. E-mail Msg, 12, Oct 2011 5:08 PM.
- 4. E-mail Msg, 13 Oct 2011 9:03 A.M.
- 5. Graves County Water District Project Estimate
- 6. E-mail Msg, 17 Oct 2011 5:54 P.M.
- 7. i-Perl Reference List

Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

From: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 2:27 PM

To: kmcadoo1@mewsbb.net; kleonard@mewsbb.net; bshultz@mewsbb.net;

bo@neelybrien.com; jdowdy3851@bellsouth.net

Cc: Frost, Mark C (PSC); Green, Jason L (PSC); Robards, Bob (PSC); Rice, James D (PSC);

Wakim, George W (PSC)

Subject: Case No. 2011-00233

Attachments: RequestForConferenceCall_20111012.pdf

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If you have any questions, please contact me by e-mail or call me on my cellphone number. I am not in my office this afternoon or tomorrow.

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Ms. McAdoo and Gentlemen:

Please advise as to your availability to participate in a conference call on October 13 or 14, 2011 to discuss the above-referenced case. Commission Staff would like to discuss and clarify with representatives of Graves County Water District ("Graves District") and Mayfield Electric and Water Systems ("MEWS") some points regarding the proposed project. A list of these issues is enclosed. Resolution of these issues will allow the Commission to close the record and render a decision in the matter.

Please telephone me at (502) 564-3940, Extension 259, or (502) 229-6500, or email at gerald.wuetcher@ky.gov to advise me of your availability and the telephone number at which you can be reached for the conference call.

Sincerely.

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Executive Advisor/Attorney

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ISSUES FOR CONFERENCE CALL

- Graves District has presented three different cost estimates of the proposed project. Exhibit A-1 reflects the purchase of 3,100 meters and smartpoints. the purchase and installation of 5 TGBs, and 2,600 hours of labor at \$18 per hour at a total cost of \$1,331,491. (This estimate is part of Graves District's application.) Exhibit A-2 reflects the purchase of 5,000 meters and smartpoints, the purchase and installation of 7 TGBs, and 3,120 hours of labor at \$25 per hour at a total cost of \$1,856,741. (This estimate was part of Graves District's Response to Commission Staff's letter of September 6, 2011.) In its application for authorization to enter a loan agreement with the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA), Graves District indicated that it was going to purchase 4,600 meters and smart points, purchase 5 TGBs and install 4 TGBs, and employ 3,120 hours of labor at \$25 per hour at a total cost of \$1,907.091. Exhibit A-3 reflects this estimate of the project. Paragraph 5 of Graves District's application states that 3,100 meters will be purchased and installed. KIA documents indicate that the total cost of the project cannot exceed \$1,111,266. What is the scope of the project in terms of meters and cost for which Graves District is presently seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity?
- 2. The Paragraph 7 of the Application refers to the purchase of 3,100 meters as the "first phase of the total project." During the conference call of October 5, 2011, representatives of Graves District and MEWS stated that the ultimate goal is the acquisition and installation of approximately 4,250 meters to have AMI coverage for Graves District. Is it Graves District's intent to purchase all required metering equipment now? If purchase and installation to be performed in phases, what area is covered by the first phase and what is the number of meter installations? What area will the second phase cover? How many meters will be installed in the second phase? When does Graves District expect to begin implementation of the second phase?
- 3. The merger of Graves District and Hickory Water District has been proposed, but not yet approved by the Public Service Commission. Are the original project estimates based on providing metering equipment to the existing areas of Graves District? Are subsequent and higher estimates based upon the inclusion of Hickory Water District?
- 4. Exhibit F of the Application (the minutes of the meeting of April 26, 2011 of the Graves District's Board of Commissioners) was referenced but not included in the Application filed with the Public Service Commission. **Can a copy of these minutes be provided to the Commission?**
- 5. According to its Application, the proposed AMI equipment will allow Graves District or its operator to discontinue service from its office and not require a service visit to the customer's property. See Exhibit B (an extract from Graves District's Application). Is it correct that upon the installation of the AMI equipment, Graves

District will possess the ability to discontinue and restore water service without sending a service person to the service site? Explain. If Graves District will no longer need to send a service person to disconnect or reconnect water service, does it intend to amend its tariff to eliminate any charges associated with service disconnection or connection?

- 6. KRS 424.260 (copy attached) requires a water district to publish a request for bids for goods and services when total cost of goods or services exceeds \$20,000. Graves District proposes to acquire the metering equipment based upon bids submitted to MEWS. Graves District will not be publishing any request for bids. Has Graves District received an opinion from its legal counsel as to whether this action is consistent with KRS 424.260? Is KIA aware of Graves District's use of bids supplied to MEWS? Has it expressed an opinion on Graves District's proposed use of the MEWS bids?
- 7. The electromagnetic meter that Graves District proposes to purchase has a filter screen. What routine or preventive maintenance does Graves District proposed to implement to address clogging of the screen? Has the meter manufacturer provided any recommended maintenance routine to prevent clogging?
- 8. How will the smartpoint set be powered? If a battery is to be used, provide the specifications regarding the battery.

EXHIBIT A-1

Date: To: Attn:

September 28th, 2010 Graves County Water Board Kevin Leonard

Re:

Graves County Water Board
Cost Estimate of Advanced Meter Infrastructure Project
Proposal for Implementing and Completion of AMI County Project

Description

IPed 3/4" water meter
IPed 1" water meter
IPed 1" water meter
2" Ornni com. water meter
3" Ornni com water meter
6" Ornni T2 com water meter
520m smartpoints
Lid replacement
S100 TGB
Installation Cost of TGBs(est) Total 310,000 00 4,470 00 6,672 30 35,572 00 2,811.00 16,416 00 372.000 00 93,000 00 348,750 00 20,000 00 Unit Price(\$) 100 00 149 00 Ouanity 3100 30 10 50 3 5 667.23 751 45 936.70 3,283,20 120,00 30,00 69,750,00 3100 3100 S100 TGB Installation Cost of TGBs(est) Buildings w/ Electrical ht & air Backhauls 3.65 4 Employees Labor 5,000 00 6,000 00 5,000 00 20,000.00 24.000.00 20,000.00 5,000.00
18.00 per hr 46,800.00
15.00 per hr 39,000.00
30,000.00

TOTAL COST \$1,330,481,30 (220,000.00) 2600 2 Trucks Upgrade Existing TGB 2-way

Contingency Money from KIA

(25,466.00) salvage mtrs

Total Cost Including Contingency Money PROJECTED PAY BACK 1,085,025.30

LOAN	TERM	RATE	MONTHLY PRIN & INT.	ANNUAL PRIN. & INT
780,000.00	20 YRS	1% KIA	3,587 18	43.046.16
		2% KIA	3,945 89	47,350 68
		3% KIA	4.325 16	51,901 92

Pros
\$ 50,000 estimated annual savings of meter reading/ offset the cost of Project
Use of Mayfield existing infrastructure RNI \$45, 45 00
Better control and knowledge of your cash registers
Advanced customer service
Advanced dask detection
Detection of theft of service
Increased revenue with full meter changeout
The most advanced and accurate water meter on the market
AMI (frastructure will be established and should last through multiple meter changes
GPS (pacition of all meters)

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MEWS employee oversee county meters daily for alarms and non-communicating meters

Salvage est. of water meters \$25,466.00, salvage value as of 6/21/11, can be deducted from cost of project

Cons

Initial cost of project Cash Flo for Project May need equalized rates for entire water district Projected Payback

EXHIBIT A-2

Date:

September 28th, 2010

To:

Graves County Water Board

Attn:

Kevin Leonard

Re:

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Cost Estimate of Advanced Meter Infrastructure Project

Proposal for Implementing and Completion of AMI County Project

Quanity	<u>Description</u>	Unit Price(\$)	<u>Total</u>
5000	iPerl 3/4" water meter	100.00	500,000.00
30	iPerl 1" water meter	149.00	4,470.00
10	1.5" Omni com. water meter	667.23	6,672.30
50	2" Omni com. water meter	751.45	35,572.00
3	3" Omni com. water meter	936.70	2,811.00
5	6" Omni T2 com, water meter	3,283.20	16,416.00
3000	520x smartpoints	105.00	315,000.00
2000	520x smartpoints	120.00	240,000.00
5000	Lid Drilling	4.00	20,000.00
7	Mini TGB	35,000.00	245,000.00
7	Installation Cost of TGBs(est.)	5,000.00	35,000.00
7	Buildings w/ Electrical ht & air	6,000.00	42,000.00
7	Backhauls 3.65	5,000.00	35,000.00
3120	4 Employees Labor	25.00 per hr	312,000.00
3120	2 Trucks	15.00 per hr	46,800.00

TOTAL COST \$1,856,741.30

PROJECTED PAY BACK

<u>LOAN</u>	TERM	RATE	MONTHLY PRIN. & INT.	ANNUAL PRIN. & INT	TERM PRIN. & INT
2,000,000.00	20 YRS	1% KIA	9,197.89	110,374.68	\$ 2,207,493.60
		2% KIA	10,117.67	121,412.04	\$ 2,428,240.80
		3% KIA	11,091.96	133,103.52	\$ 2,662,070.40

EXHIBIT A-3 - Mark Davis -

Date:

24-Jan-11

To:

Graves County Water Board

Attn:

Kevin Leonard

Re:

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4600	Lid Drilling or Replacement	6.00	27,600.00
5	S100 TGB	69,750.00	348,750.00
4	Installation Cost of TGBs(est.)	5,000.00	20,000.00
4	Buildings w/ Electrical ht & air	6,000.00	24,000.00
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1	Upgrade Existing TGB 2-way	30,000.00	30,000.00
		TOTAL COST	<u>\$1,907,091.30</u>
	Contingency Money 15% of Proj	286,063.70	
	Total Cost Including Contingency	2,193,155.00	

PROJECTED PAY BACK

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EXHIBIT B

MONEY:

Presently Graves County Water District is reading all water meters, approximately 3000, on a bimonthly basis. This takes one (1) man 12-14 days to read all districts. The cost is approximately \$5500.00. With AMI, reads can be pinged from the office and will take 2-3 hrs. Reports will be available for high/low use and also checks for leaks.

PRODUCTIVITY:

By using AMI, customers will be provided better customer service, a serviceman would not have to go out and turn water on/off. Leaks would also be determined quicker for customers.

ACCURACY:

As we all know, even the best meter readers can make mistakes when visually reading meters. Manual reads are hindered by inclement weather, car being parked over meters, leaves covering, etc. AMI reads will not be affected by such adverse conditions. Tampering with meters will also lessen as an alert will notify personnel, thus only small amounts of water would be used illegally.

SAFFTY:

Our current meter reader drives a large number of miles, starting and stopping along high traffic areas, which increases the danger of traffic accidents. Physical injuries are always a concern when reading meters as meter locations are not always easily accessible.

EXHIBIT C

424.260 Bids for materials, supplies, equipment, or services.

- (1) Except where a statute specifically fixes a larger sum as the minimum for a requirement of advertisement for bids, no city, county, or district, or board or commission of a city or county, or sheriff or county clerk, may make a contract, lease, or other agreement for materials, supplies except perishable meat, fish, and vegetables, equipment, or for contractual services other than professional, involving an expenditure of more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) without first making newspaper advertisement for bids.
- (2) If the fiscal court requires that the sheriff or county clerk advertise for bids on expenditures of less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), the fiscal court requirement shall prevail.
- (3) Nothing in this statute shall limit or restrict the ability of a local school district to acquire supplies and equipment outside of the bidding procedure if those supplies and equipment meet the specifications of the contracts awarded by the Office of Material and Procurement Services in the Office of the Controller within the Finance and Administration Cabinet or a federal, local, or cooperative agency and are available for purchase elsewhere at a lower price. A board of education may purchase those supplies and equipment without advertising for bids if, prior to making the purchases, the board of education obtains certification from the district's finance or purchasing officer that the items to be purchased meet the standards and specifications fixed by state price contract, federal (GSA) price contract, or the bid of another school district whose bid specifications allow other districts to utilize their bids, and that the sales price is lower than that established by the various price contract agreements or available through the bid of another school district whose bid specifications would allow the district to utilize their bid.
 - (b) The procedures set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall not be available to the district for any specific item once the bidding procedure has been initiated by an invitation to bid and a publication of specifications for that specific item has been published. In the event that all bids are rejected, the district may again avail itself of the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection.
- (4) This requirement shall not apply in an emergency if the chief executive officer of the city, county, or district has duly certified that an emergency exists, and has filed a copy of the certificate with the chief financial officer of the city, county, or district, or if the sheriff or the county clerk has certified that an emergency exists, and has filed a copy of the certificate with the clerk of the court where his necessary office expenses are fixed pursuant to KRS 64.345 or 64.530, or if the superintendent of the board of education has duly certified that an emergency exists, and has filed a copy of the certificate with the chief state school officer.
- (5) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall not apply for the purchase of wholesale electric power for resale to the ultimate customers of a municipal utility organized under KRS 96.550 to 96.900.

Effective: June 20, 2005

History: Amended 2005 Ky. Acts ch. 85, sec. 696, effective June 20, 2005. -- Amended 2000 Ky. Acts ch. 5, sec. 11, effective July 14, 2000; ch. 225, sec. 3, effective July 14, 2000; and ch. 510, sec. 3, effective July 14, 2000. -- Amended 1996 Ky. Acts ch. 89, sec. 5, effective July 15, 1996. -- Amended 1992 Ky. Acts ch. 178, sec. 1, effective July 14, 1992. -- Amended 1990 Ky. Acts ch. 95, sec. 1, effective July 13, 1990. -- Amended 1982 Ky. Acts ch. 282, sec. 4, effective April 2, 1982. -- Amended 1978 Ky. Acts ch. 197, sec. 12, effective June 17, 1978. -- Amended 1974 Ky. Acts ch. 97, sec. 1. -- Amended 1972 Ky. Acts ch. 147, sec. 1. -- Amended 1960 Ky. Acts ch. 168, sec. 1. -- Created 1958 Ky. Acts ch. 42, sec. 16.

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From: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

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To: Kevin Leonard

Subject: RE: Case No. 2011-00233

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From: Kevin Leonard [mailto:kleonard@mewsbb.net]

Sent: Wed 10/12/2011 4:54 PM To: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

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From: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

Sent: Thursday, October 13, 2011 9:03 AM

To:'kleonard@mewsbb.net'Subject:Re: Case No. 2011-00233

Ask for the conference call bridge - 7098.

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From: Kevin Leonard <kleonard@mewsbb.net>

To: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC) **Sent**: Thu Oct 13 08:09:00 2011 **Subject**: Re: Case No. 2011-00233

No, I will call in to you. If you would let me know what extension to request.

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Sincerely,

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Case No: 2011-00233

Utility: Graves County Water District

Workpaper: Projected Cost of Meter Replacement Project

			Unit			
Quanity	Description		Prices		Totals	
4,250	3/4" IPerl Water Meters		\$	100.00	\$	425,000.00
30	1" IPerl Water Meters		\$	149.00		4,470.00
10	1.5" Omni Com. Water Meters		* * * * * * * *	667.23		6,672.30
	2" Omni Com. Water Meters		\$	751.45		37,572.50
3	3" Omni Com. Water Meters		\$	936.70		2,810.10
5	6" Omni Com. Water Meters		\$	3,283.20		16,416.00
4,250	520M Smartpoints		\$	120.00		510,000.00
4,250	New Lids		\$	30.00		127,500.00
4	S100 TGB		\$	69,750.00		279,000.00
	TGB Installation Costs		\$	5,000.00		20,000.00
4	Buildings Including Electtrical, H	eat, & AC	\$	6,000.00		24,000.00
4	Baukhauls 3.65		\$	5,000.00		20,000.00
2,882	Labor - 4	Employees	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	17.62		203,123.36
2,882	Vehicles - 2	Trucks		15.00		43,230.00
1	Upgrade to Existing TGB 2-Way	•	\$	30,000.00		30,000.00
Subtotal					\$	1,749,794.26
Add: Continger	ncy Mony @ 15%				+	262,469.14
Total Cost of M	eter Project				\$	2,012,263.40
Labor/Truck H Hours (Per Ex	xhibit A-3)	· \			_	3,120.00
	lumber of Meters (Per Exhibit A-3	5)			<u>÷</u>	4,600.00
Hours per Me	cter Current Number of Meters				.,	0.678
, ,	bor/Truck Hours				Х	4,250.00
Estimated La	DOI/Truck Hours				_	2,882.00
Hours (Per Ex	xhibit A-2)					3,120.00
Divided by: N	lumber of Meters (Per Exhibit A-2	2)			÷	5,000.00
Hours per Me	ter					0.624
	Current Number of Meters				Х	4,250.00
Estimated La	bor/Truck Hours					2,652.00
Hours (Per E	xhibit A-1)					2,600.00
Divided by: N	lumber of Meters (Per Exhibit A-1)			<u>÷</u>	3,100.00
Hours per Me						0.839
	Current Number of Meters				Х	4,250.00
Estimated La	bor/Truck Hours					3,566.00
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Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

From: Brent Shultz <bshultz@mewsbb.net>
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2011 5:14 PM

To: Wuetcher, Jerry (PSC)

Cc:Kevin Leonard; Kristi Mcadoo; Marty IvySubject:List of Utilities Using the Iperl Water Meter

Attachments: 2011-10-10 - iPERL Reference List.pdf; ATT4096538.htm

Mr. Wuetcher,

I don't have a breakdown available, however according to Frank Delpiano of Sensus as of October, there are 288K iPerls installed. Some have been in the field since Oct 2009. I have attached a reference list of customers. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank You





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