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November 26, 2024

PARTIES OF RECORD

Re: Case No. 2020-00154

Notice is given to all parties that the attached Martin County Water District Informal Conference Memorandum and attendance roster has been filed into the record of this proceeding.

If you have any comments you would like to make regarding the contents of the document, please do so within five days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Fell, Staff Attorney, at Jennifer.Fell@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

Linda C. Bridwell, PE Executive Director

Attachment



## **INTRA-AGENCY MEMORANDUM**

## KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**TO:** Case File No. 2020-00154

**FROM:** Moriah Tussey, Asst. General Counsel

**DATE:** November 25, 2024

**RE:** Informal Conference of November 21, 2024

Pursuant to a Staff Notice issued on November 8, 2024, an informal conference (IC) was conducted on November 21, 2024. Attached is a copy of the attendance roster.

The purpose of the IC was to discuss Martin County Water District's (Martin District) response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information (Staff's First Request), filed July 10, 2024.

Introductions were made. Martin District's new Chairman, Tim Thoma and counsel for Martin County, Brian Cumbo, expressed frustration over the lack of additional information or agenda. However, after explaining the topics Commission Staff wanted to discuss, the meeting transitioned. Tim Thoma discussed some of the projects and improvements that the utility had made and planned on making in the coming months.

Staff was able to obtain clarification on Item 1 of Commission Staff's First Request. Cassandra Moore was able to explain what had happened with the Alliance payment in the beginning of the year. Additionally, Staff asked about the Evans Quarterly report and District explained why the information provided had changed, given the limited transactions it now has with Evans Hardware. Staff did discuss options the utility might have regarding the ongoing requirement related to that report.

Staff inquired as to the conferences or meetings that Martin District used to have that Staff had attended. These meetings were extremely helpful in updating PSC Staff with Martin District's plans to reduce water loss. Mr. Todd Allen stated that these meetings had resumed with the Division of Water although he was not for sure that Ms. Linda Bridwell was on the invite list. Staff noted that they would follow-up with Ms. Bridwell.

Staff also mentioned that the service list needed to be updated and that issue was resolved during the meeting. Staff also provided contact information for the Staff in attendance at the IC.

There being no further discussion, the IC was then adjourned.

cc: Parties of Record

## PSC INFORMAL CONFERENCE SIGN IN SHEET

CASE NUMBER: IC 2020-00154 Martin County Water District

**LOCATION: Microsoft Teams** 

DATE: November 21, 2024 2:00 pm- 3:00 pm

NAME	COMPANY
Brian Cumbo	Counsel for Martin County
Colby Kirk	Martin County Treasurer
Nina McCoy	Martin County Secretary
Tim Thoma	Martin County Chairman
Todd Adams	Alliance
Cassandra Moore	Alliance
Erica Bogenpohl	Office Manager for Alliance
Ella Helmuth	Appalachian Citizens' Law Center (counsel for Martin County Concerned Citizens)
Mary Cromer	Appalachian Citizens' Law Center
Madison Mooney	Martin County Concerned Citizens
Moriah Tussey	PSC- Assistant General Counsel
Jennifer Fell	PSC- Staff Attorney
Justin Young	PSC- Staff Attorney
Whitney Saffari	PSC- Staff Attorney
Benjamin Rogness	PSC- Financial Analyst
William Pearce	PSC- Financial Analyst

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