

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KNOTT)	
COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT FOR)	CASE NO.
APPROVAL OF FINANCING PURSUANT TO)	2020-00384
KRS 278.300)	

ORDER

This matter arises from Knott County Water & Sewer District's (Knott District) application for approval of the refinancing of certain loans. The application was accepted for filing on December 15, 2020, and was deemed to have been filed on that date. On January 4, 2021, Knott District was served with Commission Staff's First Request for Information (Staff's First Request), seeking to clarify information provided in the application and required that Knott District provide responses within ten days. On January 14, 2021, Knott District filed a motion for an extension of time to respond to Staff's First Request in which it sought an extension until Friday, January 22, 2021, to provide responses to Staff's First Request.

Knott District requested clarification from Commission Staff regarding Request Nos. 3 and 5 of the Commission's First Request. Commission Staff provided the clarifications on Monday, January 11, 2021. Kyle Smith, Knott County District's chief financial officer, reviewed the information provided by Commission Staff and was attempting to gather the information needed for these responses, but before being able to respond, Mr. Smith had to be placed into quarantine due to COVID-19 contact tracing.

Mr. Smith is the witness responsible for each of the responses Knott County will provide to Staff's First Request. Accordingly, Knott District requests additional time to respond.

Pursuant to KRS 278.300(2), the Commission is required to rule on the application within 60 days unless it is necessary for good cause to continue the proceeding. The Commission observes that granting Knott District's motion does not require it to extend the statutory period pursuant to KRS 278.300(2), but notes that Knott District's motion and the fact that it has not responded to Staff's First Request provide good cause for extending the statutory period to provide the Commission sufficient time to respond upon receiving the Knott District's responses to Staff's First Request. The Commission will grant Knott District's motion as it has provided good cause for doing so. Additionally, to ensure there is sufficient time upon receipt of Knott District's responses to Staff's First Request, the Commission finds good cause for extending the statutory period beyond the 60 days prescribed in KRS 278.300(2).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Knott District's motion for an extension of time is granted;
2. Knott District shall have up to and including January 22, 2021, to respond to Staff's First Request; and
3. The statutory period is extended beyond 60 days pursuant to KRS 278.300(2), for good cause shown, up to and including April 14, 2021.

By the Commission



ATTEST:

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Executive Director

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