

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC ALLEGED FAILURE OF NORTH)	
MANCHESTER WATER ASSOCIATION, INC., ITS)	
OFFICERS, STEVE DAVIS, CARL GREGORY)	CASE NO.
HOSKINS, BOBBY WOLFE, HENRY SMITH, AND)	2021-00339
CARL DAVID CRAWFORD TO COMPLY WITH)	
KRS 278.140, KRS 278.230, 807 KAR 5:006, SEC.)	
4, AND KRS 278.990)	

ORDER

On September 22, 2021, the Commission, on its own motion and pursuant to KRS 278.250, initiated an investigation into North Manchester Water Association, Inc. (North Manchester Water), its officers, Steve Davis, Bill Hurd, Carl Gregory Hoskins, Bobby Wolfe, Henry Smith, Ted Woods, Carl David Crawford, and its manager, Jerry Rice, for allegedly failing to comply with KRS 278.140, KRS 278.230, 807 KAR 5:006, Section 4, and KRS 278.990. The Commission opened the investigation into North Manchester Water for failing to file its 2020 gross annual revenue operating report (2020 Gross Report) and 2020 annual financial and statistical report (2020 Annual Report), the failure to file the documents required in Case No. 2019-00041,¹ and general concerns about the association's financial situation.² The Commission held a formal hearing on January 11, 2023, to take evidence on issues related to the management and financial status of the utility.

¹ Case No. 2019-00041, *Electronic Investigation into Excessive Water Loss by Kentucky's Jurisdictional Water Utilities* (Ky. PSC Nov. 22, 2019), Order at 9.

² Order (Ky. PSC Sept. 22, 2021) at 2-4.

On March 2, 2023, the Commission ordered North Manchester Water to notify the Commission of the person who would replace Mr. Ted Woods on the board of directors within 30 days of the date of the Order.³ Additionally, by Order dated March 7, 2023, the Commission found, amongst other things, that Steve Davis, Carl Gregory Haskins, Bobby Wolfe, Henry Smith, and Carl David Crawford were to each be assessed a civil penalty of \$250 for North Manchester Water's failure to timely file its 2020 Gross Report and 2020 Annual Report, but that each civil penalty assessed would be eliminated if the individual (1) attended and successfully completed 12 hours of water commissioner training approved and certified by the Commission for calendar year 2023; (2) ensured that North Manchester Water's 2022 Gross Report and 2022 Annual Report was filed by March 31, 2023; and (3) filed an application for a rate adjustment on behalf of North Manchester Water by June 1, 2023.⁴ The March 7, 2023 Order further directed North Manchester Water to file its 2019, 2020, and 2021 audited Annual Reports by June 1, 2023, and to file its 2022 Gross Report and 2022 Gross Annual Report by March 31, 2023.⁵

On March 30, 2023, North Manchester Water submitted⁶ its notice regarding the vacancy on its board and on June 1, 2023, North Manchester Water tendered⁷ an application for an Alternative Rate Adjustment pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076. North Manchester Water has timely submitted its 2019, 2020, and 2021 audited Annual

³ Order (Ky. PSC Mar. 2, 2023) ordering paragraph 2.

⁴ Order (Ky. PSC Mar. 7, 2023) ordering paragraphs 3 and 8.

⁵ Order (Ky. PSC Mar. 7, 2023) ordering paragraphs 5 and 6.

⁶ Notice Regarding Board Vacancy (filed Mar. 30, 2023).

⁷ See Case No. 2023-00183 *Electronic Application of North Manchester Water Association, Inc. for an Alternative Rate Adjustment* (filed June 1, 2023), Application.

Reports⁸ and submitted its 2022 Gross Report and 2022 Annual Report⁹ with the Commission. Furthermore, on January 5, 2024, North Manchester Water filed¹⁰ into the record proof of completion of water commissioner training on behalf of Steve Davis, Carl Gregory Hoskins, Bobby Wolfe, Henry Smith, Carl David Crawford, Mike Combs, Rodney Jackson, Rose Lewis, and Paul Jarvis.

Based on the evidence in the record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that North Manchester Water has timely complied with the Commission's orders in this matter and that good cause exists to dismiss this case. The Commission further finds that the \$250 civil penalty assessed against Steve Davis, Carl Gregory Haskins, Bobby Wolfe, Henry Smith, and Carl David Crawford should be waived.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The \$250 civil penalty assessed against Steve Davis, Carl Gregory Haskins, Bobby Wolfe, Henry Smith, and Carl David Crawford is waived.
2. This proceeding is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

⁸ Notice of Filing 2019 Audit Report (filed Mar. 30, 2023); and Notice of Filing 2020-2021 Audited Financial Statements (filed May 31, 2023).

⁹ *Annual Report of North Manchester Water to the Public Service Commission for the Calendar Year ended December 31, 2020* (2020 Annual Report).

¹⁰ Notice of Completion of Water Commissioner Training (filed Jan. 5, 2024).

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