

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC PURCHASED WATER)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF BATH COUNTY)	2022-00067
WATER DISTRICT)	

ORDER

On June 30, 2022, Bath County Water District (Bath District) filed a motion requesting an extension of three months, until December 31, 2022, to file an application for a rate adjustment. Based upon Bath District’s negative net income in 2017-2020, in a March 30, 2022 Order in this proceeding, the Commission found that Bath District should file an application for a general base rate adjustment or an alternative rate adjustment within six months of the date of that Order to ensure that its revenue is sufficient to support adequate and reliable service. In the alternative, Bath District was given the opportunity to file a formal motion with a detailed analysis of its rates and revenues and a statement of the reasons why a rate case is not necessary.¹

In support of its motion, Bath District stated that due to turnover in key personnel and the recent hiring of Kentucky Engineering Group to assist in preparing the rate case, Bath District needs an additional three months to prepare and file the application. Bath District affirmed that the rate case will be filed before the end of the 2022 calendar year.

The Commission concludes that the motion provided insufficient information to determine whether the motion should be granted. Therefore, the Commission finds that

¹ Order (Ky. PSC Mar. 30, 2022), ordering paragraph 5.

a decision on the motion should be deferred and that additional information should be obtained to render a decision on the motion for an extension of time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. This case is reopened to obtain additional data that is necessary for the Commission to render a decision on the motion for an extension of time.

2. Bath District shall file responses to the Commission Staff's Post-Case Requests for Information, attached to this Order as an Appendix, no later than August 19, 2022.

3. The Commission directs Bath District to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085² regarding filings with the Commission.

² Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Chairman

Vice Chairman



Commissioner



ATTEST:



Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2022-00067 DATED JUL 28 2022

POST-CASE REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION TO BATH COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Bath County Water District (Bath District), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on August 19, 2022. The Commission directs Bath District to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Bath District shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Bath District obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which

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Bath District fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Bath District shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Bath District shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide the date that Bath District began working on the application for an alternative rate adjustment pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076.
2. Provide in detail the amount of progress made on the application prior to engaging Kentucky Engineering Group to assist in preparing the rate case.
3. Provide the date that Bath District first contacted Kentucky Engineering Group to assist with the application.
4. Provide the date that the former Bath District General Manager retired.
5. Provide the date that the new Bath District General Manager was hired.

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