

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. On March 30, 2022, the Commission ordered Bath District to 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.<sup>1</sup>

By Order entered July 28, 2022, the Commission found that Bath District had not provided sufficient information to determine whether the motion for an extension should be granted and issued discovery to obtain information needed to render a decision on the motion. In its August 2, 2022 response to Staff's Post-Case Request, Bath District stated that it began working on the application on June 27, 2022.<sup>2</sup> Bath District further stated that it began an application for a Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) loan on April 25,

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<sup>1</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Mar. 30, 2022), ordering paragraph 5.

<sup>2</sup> Bath District's Response to Commission Staff's Post-Case Requests for Information (Staff's Post-Case Request) (filed Aug. 2, 2022), Item 1.

2022, with the assistance of Gateway Area Development District (GADD). Bath District explained that it assumed that the financial analysis prepared by GADD could also be used for an application for alternative rate adjustment.<sup>3</sup> Due to a lack of progress by GADD, Bath District subsequently contracted with Kentucky Engineering Group on June 27, 2022, to assist in preparing the alternative rate adjustment application.<sup>4</sup>

Based on Bath District's responses to Staff's Post-Case Request, the Commission finds that Bath District has provided good cause for the motion to be granted. This is because Bath District addressed GADD's delay in preparing the alternative rate adjustment by engaging Kentucky Engineering Group and because Bath District requested a short extension of three months with a date certain for filing the rate case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Bath District's motion for an extension is granted.
2. Bath District shall file an application for an alternative rate adjustment on or before December 31, 2022.

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<sup>3</sup> Bath District's Response to Staff's Post-Case Request, Item 2.

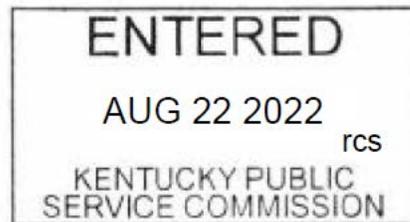
<sup>4</sup> Bath District's Response to Staff's Post-Case Request, Item 3.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
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