

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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| ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF WATER |) | |
| SERVICE CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY FOR |) | |
| A GENERAL ADJUSTMENT IN EXISTING RATES |) | CASE NO. |
| AND A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC |) | 2022-00147 |
| CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO DEPLOY |) | |
| ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE |) | |

ORDER

On May 31, 2022, Water Service Corporation of Kentucky (Water Service Kentucky) submitted an application for a general adjustment of rates and for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on June 30, 2022.¹

By letter dated June 8, 2022, the Commission notified Water Service Kentucky that its application had been rejected and noted certain filing deficiencies with the customer notice included in the application. By letter dated June 14, 2022, the Commission notified Water Service Kentucky that it had cured the filing deficiencies, and its application was accepted for filing on June 13, 2022.

Pursuant to KRS 278.180(1), no change in utility rates is permitted except upon 30 days' notice to the Commission. Therefore, since the application was accepted for filing as of June 13, 2022, the earliest date that Water Service Kentucky's proposed rates can be effective is July 13, 2022. Having reviewed Water

¹ Application, Exhibit 7, Customer Notice.

Service Kentucky's application, the Commission finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that an investigation cannot be completed by July 13, 2022. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for six months, up to and including December 10, 2022.

The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule is established to review the reasonableness of the proposed rates. The procedural schedule is attached as an Appendix to this Order and is incorporated herein.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Water Service Kentucky's proposed rates are suspended for six months, up to and including December 10, 2022.
2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.
3. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an electronic copy in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked. The Commission directs the parties 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).

4. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding that is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest. In addition, any motion to intervene filed after the date established in the procedural schedule shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

5. Water Service Kentucky shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). In addition, the notice of hearing shall include the following statement: "This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov"; and "Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listing on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov." At the time publication is requested, Water Service Kentucky shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

6. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

7. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video recording shall be made of the hearing.

8. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

9. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

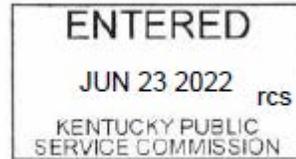
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner



ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2022-00147 DATED JUN 23 2022

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| Last day for intervention requests to be accepted..... | 06/30/2022 |
| All initial requests for information to Water Service Kentucky shall be filed no later than | 07/14/2022 |
| Water Service Kentucky shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than..... | 07/28/2022 |
| All supplemental requests for information to Water Service Kentucky shall be filed no later than | 08/18/2022 |
| Water Service Kentucky shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than | 09/01/2022 |
| Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared form shall be filed no later than..... | 09/15/2022 |
| All requests for information to Intervenors shall be filed no later than | 09/29/2022 |
| Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than..... | 10/13/2022 |
| Water Service Kentucky shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal testimony no later than | 10/27/2022 |
| Public Hearing to be held in the Richard Raff Hearing Room at the offices of the Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of Water Service Kentucky and Intervenors..... | To be scheduled |
| Post-Hearing Briefs, if any | To be scheduled |

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