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Re: Water Service Corporation of Kentucky
Petition for Confidential Treatment received 4/20/11
PSC Reference – Case No. 2010-00476

Dear Mr. Hughes:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on April 20, 2011 on behalf of Water Service Corporation of Kentucky ("WSCK") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in WSCK's Response to Commission's Order dated April 1, 2011, Item 12(b). The information is described as company specific analysis of options available, impact on employees, cost analysis and other financial and managerial information pertaining to the closing of the Middlesboro office contained in the study performed by Utilities, Inc.

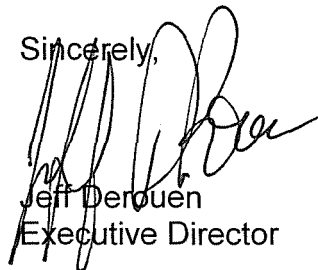
Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise WSCK's competitive position in the industry and reveal trade secrets, which would result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information requested to be held confidential **does not meet the criteria for confidential protection** and therefore is **DENIED**. The Commission based its determination upon the fact that Utilities, Inc. operates as a monopoly with no competition, no competitors, and no competitive injury. The Commission further states that the presentation contains no information that would be of any use to any party competing to purchase a water utility.

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The information denied confidentiality will be withheld from public inspection for 20 days from the date of this letter. If you disagree with the Commission's decision, you may seek rehearing with the Commission within 20 days of the date of this letter under the provisions of KRS 278.400.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Derouen", written over the typed name and title.

Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record