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Re: Kentucky-American Water Company
Letter Requesting Confidential Treatment received 10/1/19
PSC Reference: Case No. 2012-00520

Dear Mr. Ingram:

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(3), Kentucky-American Water Company, by letter received on October 1, 2019, requested confidential treatment of certain materials filed with the Commission outside of a formal proceeding. 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(3)(c) provides that the Commission's "executive director, as official custodian of the commission's records, shall determine if the material is within an exclusion established in KRS 61.878 and the time period for the material to be considered as confidential and shall advise the requestor of the determination by letter." This letter constitutes my determination of that request.

The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being submitted to the Commission in compliance with the Commission's Order, dated October 25, 2013, in PSC Case No. 2012-00520 regarding pending transactions. The information is described as the name and locational description of the municipality that Kentucky-American Water Company will be attempting to acquire through the bidding process.

Your justification for having the Public Service Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information could result in an unfair commercial advantage to competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)1. and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, it has been determined that the subject information is of a confidential nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Kentucky-American Water Company's competitors. Therefore, the information requested

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to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case for six months from the date of this correspondence to allow for the bidding process to be completed, or until further Orders of the Commission. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 13(9) of 807 KAR 5:001.

If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Kentucky-American Water Company is required by Section 13(10)(b) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Any questions regarding this letter should be directed to John E.B. Pinney, Acting General Counsel at (502) 782-2587.

Sincerely,



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