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Mr. John S. Lyons, Acting Executive Director
Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

Re: **Case No. 2017-00255**
Kentucky Rural Water Association's 38th Annual Conference and
Exhibition – ***Shaping the Future***

Dear Mr. Lyons:

Kentucky Rural Water Association (KRWA) hosted its **38th Annual Conference & Exhibition – *Shaping the Future***, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel and Lexington Convention Center in Lexington, Kentucky, on August 28-30, 2017. On behalf of Kentucky Rural Water Association, I hereby attest that the program herein referenced as **Case No. 2017-00255** was performed as scheduled with the following changes:

Revised training for Wednesday, August 30, 2018 – General Session

Since there were changes/additions to the speakers during the General Session, the morning was divided into two parts, each part offering 1.5 hours of instruction (the total hours offered for Wednesday morning remained the same – three hours).

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

1.5 hrs.

Session 16: *Shaping the Future – Part 1*

Presenters: Gary Larimore, Executive Director, Kentucky Rural Water Association
Steve Fletcher, President, National Rural Water Association
Keith Heard, Washington, D.C. Representative & Senior Policy Advisor, National Rural Water Association

As the puzzle pieces change, so does the outlook for the future of water and wastewater utilities. This session will explore the influences resulting from the changes with both the Kentucky Legislature and the Kentucky Governor. Along with the changes within Kentucky, the landscape also changed in Washington, D.C. Part 1 will explore such topics as USEPA, funding issues for the EPA and Rural Development, new appointees, and how these changes will impact utilities in Kentucky from each speaker's point of view.

Break 10:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

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10:20 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

1.5 hrs

Session 17: Shaping the Future – Part 2

Presenters: Robert Cicero, Vice Chairman, Public Service Commission
Vince Lang, Executive Director, Kentucky County Judge Executive Association
Donna McNeil, Executive Director, Kentucky Infrastructure Authority

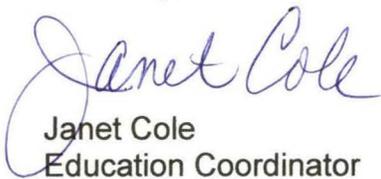
There are numerous changes shaping the future of water and wastewater utilities in Kentucky. Speakers during Part 2 will address such topics as: health care coverage for utility employees and how the PSC views this cost when addressing rate increases, changes to the Kentucky Retirement System (Pension Recommendations Report) and the impact on finances for utilities and employee retention, and financing needs for utilities and how Kentucky Infrastructure Authority is expanding to better serve utility projects for their communities.

Speaker bios are enclosed for those that spoke on Wednesday morning during the General Session. There were no changes to speakers or topics for the sessions held on Monday and Tuesday.

As required, a list of all water district commissioners attending the approved sessions and the hours they earned is enclosed. No handouts were made available to KRWA for distribution to attendees. A copy of the letter from the Water and Wastewater Boards, indicating their approval of this training, is also included. KRWA did not request approval from any other agencies for continuing education credits.

Kentucky Rural Water Association would like to thank the Kentucky Public Service Commission and staff for your leadership and support in approving the training offered during our **38th Annual Conference and Exhibition.**

Sincerely,



Janet Cole
Education Coordinator

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Enclosures (3)

Speaker Bios for General Session – Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Gary Larimore has been Executive Director of the Kentucky Rural Water Association since its formation in March, 1979. He received both Bachelor of Science and Master of Public Service Degrees from Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Mr. Larimore is responsible for the administration and day-to-day operation of the association's office. His duties include budgeting and financial management, personnel management, and acting as the primary representative with the membership, the board of directors, and other outside organizations. Other primary duties include representing the Association's legislative and regulatory interests as a full-time lobbyist and working with water-related groups and organizations.

Steve Fletcher of Illinois was elected as the President of the National Rural Water Association during meetings held at the WaterPro Conference in Orlando, Fla. Fletcher was inaugurated during a luncheon on Sept. 14, 2016. Fletcher has been the Manager and Operator for the Washington County Water Company since November of 1981. The WCWC is a not for profit rural water system that serves 5,800 customers in seven counties across southern Illinois. Fletcher has been a member of the Illinois Rural Water Association since 1986 and was elected as the state director to the NRWA board in 1999. He was elected to the NRWA executive board in 2008. In addition to his work in rural water, Fletcher has also been a police officer for Nashville, Ill. since 1987 and serves as the Chief Deputy Coroner for the County of Washington. Steve Fletcher will serve as president of NRWA, the nation's largest water utility association with over 30,000 members. He will be one of the voices representing Rural Water at industry events, with government agencies and in the halls of Congress.

Keith Heard is President of Key Impact Strategies with offices in Washington, DC and Jackson, Mississippi. He is also a Washington Representative and Senior Policy Advisor of the National Rural Water Association. He formerly served as Chief of Staff to U.S. Senator Thad Cochran, Chairman of Senate Appropriations Committee. Keith previously served in executive roles with the National Cotton Council and the National Corn Growers Association. In 2016 he was named to "Mississippi's Top 50," a list of the most influential Mississippians for shaping business, politics and public policy. Keith grew up in Brooksville, Mississippi and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Mississippi State University. He worked on Thad Cochran's first Senate campaign in 1978 and after the victory, served as one of Cochran's first Senate staffers. Keith served with Cochran until moving to the private sector in 1985. He returned to an official role with Cochran in 2014 when the Senator asked him to reorganize the re-election campaign for a primary run-off when Cochran trailed the first vote. The Washington Post described the run-off victory as "like watching someone pitch a political perfect game; you'll not see a victory like this one any time soon. All in all, an absolutely amazing race. One that will be studied by political science classes for years to come." Keith then returned to Cochran's Washington, D.C. office to serve as chief-of-staff. In 2017, Keith returned to the private sector where he maintains offices in Washington DC and Jackson, Mississippi.

Robert Cicero, Vice Chairman, Kentucky Public Service Commission, was appointed to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) by Governor Matthew Bevin on April 26, 2016. He was named vice chairman on June 22, 2016. Vice Chairman Cicero was reappointed on July 1, 2016, and his term expires June 30, 2020. Prior to joining the PSC, Vice Chairman Cicero was a small business owner and a business executive. He is co-owner of High Performance Coolers LLC, a wholesale distribution company in Florence, and previously was co-owner of a small medical research company. In 2006, Vice Chairman Cicero retired from Aristech Acrylics LLC, where he served nearly 10 years as the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer. He previously worked 20 years for US Steel Corporation and its affiliates in various managerial and financial capacities. Vice Chairman Cicero is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and serves on its Committee on Gas. He is a member of the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners. Vice Chairman Cicero holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business at the University of Pittsburgh and has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Accounting.

Vince Lang is the Executive Director for the Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association and has held this position since 2003. The overall purpose of the Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association is to work for the improvement of county government in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Association strives to achieve this purpose by providing legislative representation, general research, training, various publications and conferences to assist county judge/executives in carrying out the duties and responsibilities of their office. Before becoming Executive Director of the County Judge/Executive Association, Vince served with the Kentucky Revenue Cabinet as Deputy Secretary from 1996-1998 and as a Commission of Property Valuation from 1999-2002. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Notre Dame (1976).

Donna McNell took on the role of Executive Director for Kentucky Infrastructure Authority in February, 2017. From November 2013-February 2017, Donna served as a Compliance Specialist with Kentucky Rural Water Association. Prior to joining the KRWA staff, Donna was the Environmental Control Manager for the Kentucky Division of Water, where she was responsible for Kentucky's Drinking Water Program. Donna coordinated and implemented the capacity development program and the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Program from 1997 to 2001. Donna also has experience in providing training on a wide-variety of water topics, reviewing engineering plans and specifications, on-site inspections, regulation development, and working with water-related groups and organizations. She also authored the CT Values guidance document and provided technical evaluation of the water treatment units. Donna received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Kentucky.

Hours Earned by Water District Commissioners at the 38th Annual Conference and Exhibition
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Organization	First Name	Last Name	PSC Hours
Allen Co. Water District	Wayne	Jackson	6
Allen Co. Water District	Jeff	Powell	6
Allen Co. Water District	Darace	Tabor	6
Allen Co. Water District	Robin	York	6
Allen Co. Water District	Joe	Young	6
Big Sandy Water District	David	Salisbury	9
Breathitt Co. Water District	David	Ingram	11
Breathitt Co. Water District	Cheryl	Spicer-Campbell	9
East Clark Co. Water District	Harry	Fiefhaus	12
East Clark Co. Water District	Ted	Marcum	6
East Clark Co. Water District	Kenny	Segress	6
East Clark Co. Water District	Fred	Farris	8
East Laurel Water District	Doug	Day	3.5
East Laurel Water District	Bobby	Anders	3.5
East Laurel Water District	Dennis	Minton	2
East Logan Water District	Harris	Dockins	10
East Logan Water District	Carroll	Browning	11
East Pendleton Co. Water District	David	Pribble	6
Grayson Co. Water District	John	Tomes	12
Grayson Co. Water District	Nancy	Cain	12
Grayson Co. Water District	Tim	Purcell	6
Grayson Co. Water District	Kirby	Johnson	12
Hardin Co. Water District #2	John	Effinger	6
Larue Co. Water District #1	Pat	Eastridge	6
Laurel Co. Water District #2	Roy	Jenkins	6
Laurel Co. Water District #2	Kenneth	Finley	6
Marion Co. Water District	Everett	Thomas	10
Marion Co. Water District	Barbara	May	9
McCreary Co. Water District	Coy	Taylor	6
Meade Co. Water District	Allen	Stivers	6
Meade Co. Water District	Doug	Cornett	6
Mountain Water District	Johnny	Tackett	6
Nicholas Co. Water District	Debbie	Higginbotham	3
Nicholas Co. Water District	Phillip	McDonald	3
Nicholas Co. Water District	Silas	Cleaver	3
North Mercer Water District	Tony	Best	8

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South Anderson Water District	Eddie	Stevens	7
South Logan Water Association	Jim	Wilkerson	12
Southern Madison Water District	Larry	Todd	6
Southern Madison Water District	Ron	Devere	6
Trimble Co. Water District #1	Doug	Stark	6
Trimble Co. Water District #1	Wayne	Smith	6
Trimble Co. Water District #1	Beery	Welty	6
West Laurel Water Association	John	Gill	3.5
West Shelby Water District	Ben	Quinn	6
Wood Creek Water District	Glenn	Williams	6



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KY RURAL WATER
ASSOCIATION

June 27, 2017

Kentucky Rural Water Assoc KRWA
Attn: Janet Cole
1151 Old Porter Pike
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42103

Agency Interest Number: 108571
RE: Operator Certification Training Approval for Continuing Education Hours

To Whom It May Concern:

Your training request has been received by the Division of Compliance Assistance, Certification and Licensing Branch. Course approvals are reviewed and approved based on core content outlined by the cabinet and the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators and the Kentucky Board of Certification of Drinking Water Treatment and Distribution System Operators. The core content lists can be located on our website, dca.ky.gov/certification.

Your request was reviewed by the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators and/or the Kentucky Board of Certification of Water Treatment and Distribution System Operators at their most recent board business meeting. This letter serves as notification of the board and/or cabinet determination for continuing education credit.

Course Title	Date	Hours & Type Approved	DCA Event ID#	Comments
PRIDE DW-WW Continuing Education Training-Jackson	07/26/2017	WW - 12.0 Hours approved DW - 12.0 Hours approved	17109	One time Approval
Green River Regional Meeting	07/13/2017	DW - 2.0 Hours approved	17116	One time Approval
Western Regional Meeting	07/20/2017	DW - 2.0 Hours approved	17115	One time Approval
Northeast Regional Meeting	07/11/2017	DW - 2.0 Hours approved	17114	One time Approval
38 th Annual Conference and Exhibition	08/28/2017	WW - 15.0 Hours approved DW - 15.0 Hours approved	17106	One time Approval

Upon completion of the approved training, the provider shall submit to the cabinet a completed Continuing Education Activity Report form. This form can be located on the program's website at dca.ky.gov/certification. The program will no longer accept rosters that are not submitted on the cabinet's Continuing Education Activity Report form or electronically through the cabinet's website. If a continuing education activity report was attached to the training approval request, please be aware that the operators will only receive credit for the number of hours approved by the board(s).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Division of Compliance Assistance, Certification and Licensing Branch at (502) 564-0323.

Sincerely,

Veronica Roland
Certification and Licensing Branch

