COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WEST DAVIESS COUNTY)WATER DISTRICT FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)CASE NO.PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)97-268

<u>ORDER</u>

By application filed June 10, 1997, West Daviess County Water District ("West Daviess") is seeking authorization to construct a \$467,148 waterworks improvement project. Project funding includes \$467,148 in West Daviess funds of which \$400,000 will be generated from a rate surcharge approved by the Commission in Case No. 93-103.¹ The proposed project involves the construction of 76,000 linear feet of 8-, 6-, and 4-inch pvc looped water transmission mains, waterline extensions and appurtenances to improve the existing distribution system.

The proposed project includes the construction of water main extensions and looping water mains to improve service to existing customers. Plans and specifications for the proposed improvements as prepared by HRG, PLLC, of Owensboro, Kentucky, have been approved by the Division of Water of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet.

The Commission, having reviewed the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that:

¹ Case No. 93-103, The Application of West Daviess County Water District for Approval of a Rate Surcharge.

1. Public convenience and necessity require that the construction proposed be performed and that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be granted.

2. The proposed construction consists of 26,138 linear feet of 8-inch, 19,007 linear feet of 6-inch, and 30,904 linear feet of 4-inch pvc water transmission main and related appurtenances.

3. West Daviess should obtain approval from the Commission prior to performing any additional construction not expressly authorized by this Order.

4. Any deviation from the construction approved should be undertaken only with the prior approval of the Commission.

5. West Daviess should furnish documentation of the total costs of this project including the cost of construction and all other capitalized costs (engineering, legal, administrative, etc.) within 60 days of the date that construction is substantially completed. Construction costs should be classified into appropriate plant accounts in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for water utilities prescribed by the Commission.

6. West Daviess should require construction to be inspected under the general supervision of a professional engineer with a Kentucky registration in civil or mechanical engineering.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. West Daviess is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to proceed with the proposed construction project consisting of 26,138 linear feet of 8-inch, 19,007 linear feet of 6-inch, and 30,904 linear feet of 4-inch pvc water transmission main and related appurtenances as set forth in the drawings and specifications of record herein.

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2. West Daviess shall comply with the requirements contained in Findings 3 through 6 as if the same were individually so ordered.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of August, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director