COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF CALDWELL COUNTY)	
WATER DISTRICT OF CALDWELL COUNTY,)	
KENTUCKY, FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO)	CASE NO. 99-154
CONSTRUCT, FINANCE AND INCREASE RATES)	
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.023)	

ORDER

On April 14, 1999, Caldwell County Water District (Caldwell District) submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$1,704,500 waterworks improvement project, for approval of its plan of financing for this project, and for adjustments to its water service rates. This project will provide new service to 220 additional customers. Project funding is an \$800,000 bond issue to be purchased pursuant to an agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development (RD), an \$800,000 grant from the RD, and a \$104,500 contribution from the Applicant.

Caldwell District's application was made pursuant to KRS 278.023, which requires the Commission to accept agreements between water utilities and the U. S. Department of Agriculture or the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and to issue the necessary orders to implement the terms of such agreements within 30 days of satisfactory completion of the minimum filing requirements. Given that minimum filing requirements were met in this case on April 14, 1999, KRS 278.023 does not grant the Commission any discretionary authority to modify or reject any portion of this agreement.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- Caldwell District is hereby granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.
 - 2. Caldwell District's proposed plan of financing with RD is accepted.
 - 3. Caldwell District is authorized to issue bonds not to exceed \$800,000.
- 4. Caldwell District shall file a copy of the as-built drawings and a certified statement that the construction has been satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract plans and specifications within 60 days of the substantial completion of the construction certificated herein.
- 5. The rates set out in Appendix A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, are the rates approved for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.
- 6. Caldwell District shall submit its revised tariff setting out the rates in Appendix A within 30 days of the date of this Order.
- 7. Three years from the effective date of this Order Caldwell District shall file an income statement, along with any proforma adjustments, in sufficient detail to demonstrate that the rates approved herein are sufficient to meet its operating expenses and annual debt service requirements.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a warranty of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, or any agency thereof, of the financing herein accepted.

By the Commission		Done at	Frankfort,	Kentucky,	this 14 th	day of M	1ay, 1999.	
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ATTEST:	ATTES	ST:						
Executive Director	Execut	tive Direc	tor					

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 99-154 DATED MAY 14, 1999

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Caldwell County Water District. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

Monthly Water Rates

First	1,000 gallons	\$ 16.50	Minimum bill
Next	3,000 gallons	7.75	per 1,000 gallons
Next	6,000 gallons	6.00	per 1,000 gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	4.25	per 1,000 gallons
Over	30,000 gallons	3.50	per 1,000 gallons

Connection Fee \$600.00