

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN MASON)	
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR AN)	CASE NO.
ADJUSTMENT OF RATES PURSUANT TO)	2000-235
THE ALTERNATIVE RATE FILING PROCEDURE)	
FOR SMALL UTILITIES)	

O R D E R

On May 11, 2000, Western Mason County Water District ("Western Mason") filed its application for Commission approval of proposed water rates. The proposed rates would generate additional annual revenues of \$21,101, or 10.43 percent. The proposed rates will increase the average residential monthly bill by \$2.17 or 13.15 percent.

Intervention was requested by, and granted to, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky ("Attorney General"). The Attorney General has not challenged the reasonableness of the proposed rates, nor has he requested discovery or a hearing in this matter.

Commission Staff performed a limited financial review of Western Mason's operations, and assisted in the preparation of Western Mason's application. Staff, having no changes or additional recommendations with regard to this application, did not prepare a Staff Report.

The Commission, after considering the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that the rates proposed by Western Mason and attached as Appendix A will produce gross annual water revenues of \$223,642 and are the fair, just,

and reasonable rates for Western Mason. These rates will allow Western Mason sufficient revenues to meet its operating expenses and service its debt.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates proposed by Western Mason and contained in Appendix A are approved for service rendered by Western Mason on and after the date of this Order.
2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Western Mason shall file with the Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates approved herein.
3. Three years from the effective date of this Order, Western Mason shall file an income statement, along with any pro forma adjustments, in sufficient detail to demonstrate that the rates approved herein are sufficient to meet its operating expenses and annual debt service requirements.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 10th day of August, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:



Executive Director, Acting

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2000-235 DATED AUGUST 10, 2000

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Western Mason 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	2,000 gallons	\$10.30	Minimum bill
Next	8,000 gallons	2.79	per 1,000 gallons
Over	10,000 gallons	2.00	per 1,000 gallons
Bulk Sales		\$2.20	per 1,000 gallons