COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF LARUE COUNTY WATER)	
DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO)	CASE NO
CONSTRUCT, FINANCE AND INCREASE RATES)	2000-400
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.023)	
)	

ORDER

On August 17, 2000, Larue County Water District No. 1 ("Larue District No. 1") submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct, finance, and increase rates for a \$2,279,600 waterworks improvement project. This project consists of the installation of approximately 59 miles of 8-inch through 3-inch water transmission mains to provide service to approximately 449 new customers. Project funding consists of a \$1,100,000 loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development ("RD"), a \$1,000,000 State of Kentucky Surplus grant and a \$179,600 contribution from the applicant.

Larue District No. 1'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 August 17, 2000, 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:

- Larue District No. 1 is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.
 - 2. Larue District No. 1's proposed plan of financing with RD is accepted.
- 3. Larue District No. 1 is authorized to issue bonds not to exceed \$1,100,000.
- 4. Larue District No. 1 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. Larue District No. 1 shall monitor the adequacies of the expanded water distribution system after construction. If the level of service is inadequate or declining or the pressure to any customer is outside the requirements of 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(1), Larue District No. 1 shall take immediate action to maintain the level of service in conformance with the regulations of the Commission.

7. Larue District No. 1 shall notify the Commission one week prior to the

actual start of construction and at the 50 percent completion point.

8. Three years from the effective date of this Order, Larue District No. 1 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.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a warranty of the Commonwealth of

Kentucky, or any agency thereof, of the financing herein accepted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 8th day of September, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Deputy Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2000-400 DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2000

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Larue 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

Over

20,000 gallons

20,000 gallons

<u> </u>	4 Meter.					
First Next Next Over	5,000	gallons gallons gallons gallons	\$ 12.00 4.90 4.25 3.25	. ,		
<u>3 /4" Meter:</u>						
First Next Next Over	2,000 5,000	gallons gallons gallons gallons	\$ 21.80 4.90 4.25 3.25			
1" Meter:						
First Next Over	5,000	gallons gallons gallons	\$ 31.60 4.25 3.25			
<u>1-1/2" Meter:</u>						
First Ove		gallons gallons	\$ 52.85 3.25	Minimum bill per 1,000 gallons		
2" Meter	<u>:</u>					

\$85.35 Minimum bill

3.25 per 1,000 gallons