## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF MALLARD POINT DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, INC. FOR A RATE ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT TO THE ALTERNATIVE RATE FILING PROCEDURE FOR SMALL UTILITIES

) CASE NO. 2003-00284

## COMMISSION STAFF S SUPPLEMENTAL INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Commission Staff requests that Mallard Point Disposal Systems, Inc. (Mallard Point) file with the Commission, on or before October 31, 2003, the original and 6 copies of the following information, with a copy to all parties of record. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the person who is responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. Where information requested herein has been previously provided, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request.

1. At pages 3 and 4 of its response to the Commission Staff's initial request for information, Mallard Point requests recovery of the estimated legal fees of \$15,000 that will be incurred in this proceeding. Provide copies of the invoices from Mallard Point's attorney to support the legal fees that have been incurred as of the date of the response to this data request. The invoices should contain detailed descriptions of the services, the amount of time billed for each service, and the hourly billing rate.

2. At page 4 of its response to the Staff's initial request for information, Mallard Point estimates that it will cost \$8,000 to sand blast and to apply a new surface to the 50,000-gpd treatment facility. Provide at least two bids to support Mallard Point's cost estimate.

3. Kenvirons has estimated that in the calendar year 2003, Mallard Point will have paid \$16,000 for its sampling and analysis services. Provide a copy of the most recent invoice from Kenvirons that shows the fee for routine sampling and analysis.

4. Provide a copy of Mallard Point s current KPDES permit.

5. In its last rate case,<sup>1</sup> Mallard Point estimated that its part-time employee will spend approximately 3.5 hours per day performing maintenance tasks once the 100,000-gpd treatment facility is placed in service. Provide a detailed analysis of the hours Charlie Hanson spends in the performance of daily maintenance tasks.

6. Provide a detailed explanation of the operational changes that have occurred at the treatment facilities since Mallard Point's last rate case that would require an increase in the number of hours Charlie Hanson spends performing the daily maintenance tasks.

In the previous rate case the wage rate for the part-time employee was
\$10.75 per hour. Provide Mr. Hanson's hourly wage rate and the hours worked for
Mallard Point for each year from 1995 through 2003 using the following table.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 1994-00266, The Application of Mallard Point Disposal System, Inc. for an Adjustment of Rates Pursuant to the Alternative Rate Filing Procedure for Small Utilities.

Year	Hourly Rates	Hours
1995		
1996		
1997		
1998		
1999		
2000		
2001		
2002		
2003		

8. Given that Mallard Point does not have in its possession any records to document the number of hours Mr. Hanson has worked directly for Mallard Point, describe how the compensation paid to Mr. Hanson is allocated between Mallard Point and Mallard Point Services.

9. Is Mallard Point currently on a tap-on ban from the Division of Water (DOW) as stated in a letter from the DOW dated June 2, 2000?

a. If yes, what actions will Mallard Point need to take to have the tap-on ban removed?

b. Will the construction proposed in this case bring Mallard Point into compliance with the DOW directive?

10. In Mallard Point's response to the Attorney General's Interrogatory Nos. 1 and 2, it states that DOW approved the plans and specifications for sanitary sewer connections to 26 homes in Cedar Hills.

a. Did Mallard Point receive an exemption from the DOW regarding the tap-on ban as required in the letter dated June 2, 2000?

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b. Did Mallard Point apply for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Commission for that project? If no, explain in detail why it did not so apply.

11. Provide the results of the 2003 Compliance Evaluation Inspection performed by the DOW.

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Dated: <u>October 15, 2003</u>

cc: Parties of Record