COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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| ELECTRONIC POWELL'S VALLEY WATER DISTRICT UNACCOUNTED-FOR WATER LOSS REDUCTION PLAN, SURCHARGE AND MONITORING | ) ) ) ) | CASE NO. 2024-00314 |

# O R D E R

On June 15, 2026, Powell's Valley Water District (Powell's Valley District) filed a copy of its qualified infrastructure improvement plan (QIIP) with two items circled and included an electronic title on the document that indicated it was a request for reimbursement.[1] Powell's Valley District responded to two requests for information and one informal conference was held related to the matter.[2] For the reasons outlined below, Powell's Valley District's request to expend surcharge funds to reimburse itself for a 1-inch bypass meter and isolation valves is granted.

## BACKGROUND

By Order issued December 9, 2024, in Case No. 2023-00387, the Commission approved an unaccounted-for water loss reduction surcharge for Powell's Valley District and ordered it to file a qualified infrastructure improvement plan (QIIP) with the

[1] Powell's Valley District's Request for Reimbursement (June 15th Request) (filed June 15, 2026).

[2] *See* Powell's Valley District's Response to Commission Staff's Fourth Request for Information (Staff's Fourth Request) (filed July 8, 2026); Powell's Valley District's Response to Commission Staff's Fifth Request for Information (Staff's Fifth Request) (filed Aug. 19, 2026); Letter Filing Informal Conference Memorandum and Attendance List (filed Nov. 9, 2026).

Commission.[3] On March 31, 2025, Powell's Valley District filed its proposed QIIP, which proposed in Year 1 to purchase and install ten bypass meters and three isolation valves and purchase a new truck for a new employee.[4] By Order issued April 1, 2026, Powell's Valley District was approved to purchase a new truck.[5]

## DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

Powell's Valley District requested to expend surcharge funds to reimburse itself for purchasing one 1-inch bypass meter and one isolation meter as well as the labor to install both.[6] The original request included a total of $4,199,[7] but Powell's Valley District provided invoices for the materials and installation that totaled $3,077.28.[8] During the informal conference, Powell's Valley District confirmed that the request was for $3,077.28, and that it would have another request in the future as it plans to purchase and install additional bypass meters as explained in its QIIP.[9]

Based on the evidence in the record, the Commission finds that Powell's Valley District's request to use water loss surcharge funds to reimburse itself for purchasing and installing the one 1-inch bypass meter and isolation valve, in the amount of $3,077.28 should be granted. Powell's Valley District included this project in its QIIP and provided how it will help reduce its unaccounted for water loss.

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[3] Case No. 2023-00387, *Electronic Application of Powell's Valley Water District for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076* (Ky. PSC Dec. 9, 2024) at 51 and 52.

[4] Powell's Valley District's QIIP (filed Mar. 31, 2025).

[5] Order (Ky. PSC Apr. 1, 2026).

[6] Powell's Valley District's Response to Staffs Fourth Request.

[7] June 15th Request at unnumbered PDF page 1.

[8] Powell's Valley District's Response to Staff's Fifth Request, Item 2.

[9] *See* Letter Filing Informal Conference Memorandum and Attendance List.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Powell's Valley District's request to use water loss surcharge funds to reimburse itself in the amount of $3,077.28 is granted.

2. Powell's Valley District shall file proof of these expenditures from the water loss surcharge account with its monthly activity report that follows the expenditure.

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Entered on this 25th day of November, 2026.

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