COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter Of:

THE APPLICATION OF THE MARTIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT

Case No. 2018-00017

MARTIN COUNTY CONCERNED CITIZENS, INC.'S MOTION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE UPCOMING CONFIDENTIAL CONFERENCE

The Martin County Concerned Citizens, Inc. ("MCCC") by and through counsel, hereby moves the Commission to allow MCCC's counsel and its representative(s) to attend and participate in the confidential conferences on July 29-30, 2019. In support of this Motion, MCCC states as follows:

- On July 17, 2019, the Commission ordered a confidential formal conference for July 29 and 30, 2019.
- The Commission also requested certain financial data to be provided by July 25, 2019.
- 3. Additionally, on July 17, the Commission subpoenaed all of the Martin County Utilities Board, as well as the water district's former accountant and former accountant's husband, to appear and give testimony at the July 29-30 formal conference.
- 4. MCCC's participation in the confidential conferences would be helpful to the Commission in that MCCC's representative, Nina McCoy, and undersigned counsel are familiar with the ongoing operations of the water district through attendance at

meetings and ongoing conversations with community members, members of the water board, and water district employees regarding the current and past operations and conditions at the water district. Because of this local knowledge, MCCC's participation and questioning at the hearing will benefit the Commission as it works to better understand the district's financial position.

- MCCC representative(s) and counsel who participate in the confidential conferences
 will sign a confidentiality agreement concerning the conference and any confidential
 documents reviewed.
- 6. MCCC believes that because the Commission is seeking testimony from individuals who are not privy to the ongoing contract negotiations between the district and Alliance Water resources, the Commission's reason for not allowing MCCC to participate in the confidential conference now scheduled for August 15 should not preclude MCCC's participation in the July 29-30 conference.

For the reasons set forth above, MCCC respectfully moves this Commission for permission to participate in the upcoming confidential conference.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the foregoing copy of the Motion is a true and accurate copy of the document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on July 18, 2019; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that a copy of the filing in paper medium is sent to the Commission via first-class United States mail on this day.

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