# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

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INTO THE MEASURING,	)
RECORDING, AND REPORTING	OF) CASE NO. 2018-00394
WATER LOSS BY KENTUCKY'S	)
JURISDICTIONAL WATER	)
UTILITIES	)

#### RESPONSE OF

# PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT

TO

# COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION DATED DECEMBER 18, 2018

FILED: January 15, 2019

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# CERTIFICATION OF PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT TO COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

This is to certify that I have supervised the preparation of PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT's Response to the Commission's Request for Information. The response submitted on behalf of PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Date: 01-15-2018

Church Quarles, Chairman

PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT

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#### Question No. 1

- Q-1. Explain in detail the manner in which you measure, calculate, and track water loss, and:
  - Identify whether you use any manual form (including Excel spreadsheet) or electronic or mechanized system to calculate and track water loss.
  - b. Provide a copy of any form used (including Excel spreadsheet).
  - c. Identify the source of any form or system used.
- A-1. The District measures, calculates, and tracks water loss monthly using our meter usage report generated by our billing software, internal flushing reports, fire department reports as well as leak/break reports. That information is then input into a modified version of PSC's calculation sheet in Excel.
  - Modified version of PSC's calculation sheet in Excel.
  - See attached Exhibit 1-B
  - c. Kentucky Public Service Commission.

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#### Question No. 2

- Q-2. Explain in detail your understanding of the information to be provided in each of the categories on the Water Statistics page 56 (reference page 30) of the annual report required of jurisdictional water utilities, accessed through the Commission's website.
- A-2. Reference Page 56 Water Statistics
- All water that was produced and/or purchased, and then distributed.
- 2. The District only Purchases water.
- Gallons purchased.
- 4. Total Purchased gallons.
- 6. The total amount of water sold to the District's customers, including all classes.
- 7. Total for Residential Class
- 8. Total for Commercial Class.
- 9. Peaks Mill Water District sells no water to industry.
- Peaks Mill Water District does not have a bulk loading station.
- 11. Peaks Mill Water District does not resell any water.
- Total for Other Class.
- 13. Total of all Classes.
- 15. Total of Other Water Used.
- 16. Total gallons used by the Utility/Water treatment plant.
- 17. The District has no wastewater plant.
- 18. Total gallons used for System Flushing.
- 19. Total gallons used by Fire Departments.

- 20. Total gallons used by Other.
- 21. Total of Other use.
- 23. The difference between purchased/produced and sold plus other water used section.
- 24. Total gallons from Tank Overflows.
- 25. Total gallons from known Line Breaks.
- 26. Total gallons from known Line Leaks.
- 27. Total gallons from issues yet to be found.
- 28. Total gallons used from Overflows, Line Leaks, Line Breaks.
- 32. Overflows, Leaks, Breaks, and Flushing divided by Total Purchased.
- 33. Total line loss is divided by Total Purchased.

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# Question No. 3

- Q-3. State any questions you have regarding how to use the updated Commission Form described and attached as Appendix A to this Order.
- A-3. No Questions.

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#### Question No. 4

#### Responding Witness: Dale Gatewood

- Q-4. State any suggestions or improvements you have for the update Commission Form described and attached as Appendix A to this Order.
- A-4. Water not sold but accounted for as tank overflows should be counted as Other Water Used. The amounts of water are a known and measurable quantity.

Water not sold but accounted for due to excavation damages should be counted as Other Water Used. In many cases, this water is actually paid for by the offending contractor or excavation entity. This water is a known and measurable quantity.

The standard specifications for pipe, meters and various appurtenances on the water system allow a certain amount of leakage when a brand-new installation is made, as per engineering standards from American Waterworks Association.

Though this water is not known or measurable, an allowance for this loss should be made under other water used.

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#### Question No. 5

- Q-5. State any questions you have regarding how the information in the updated Commission Form described and attached as Appendix A to this Order is to be incorporated into annual reports.
- A-5. No Questions.

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#### Question No. 6

- Q-6. State any concerns you have regarding the use of the updated Commission Form described and attached as Appendix A to this order.
- $A\text{-}6.\;$  All water districts should complete an updated Commission Form regardless of water loss percentage.

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#### Question No. 7

- Q-7. State whether you believe it is reasonable, proper and appropriate for the Commission to require jurisdictional water utilities to maintain and use the updated Commission Form described and attached as Appendix A to this Order. Fully explain your answer.
- A-7. I believe that it is reasonable, proper, and appropriate for the Commission to require jurisdictional water utilities to maintain and use the updated form. The updated form universalizes the way in which water loss is measured, calculated, tracked, and reported for all utilities across the state.

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, I certify that PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT'S electronic filing of this Response is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Public Service Commission on January 17, 2019; that there are currently no parties that the Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that an original paper medium of this Response will be delivered to the Public Service Commission within two business days.

Church Quarles, Chairman

PEAKS MILL WATER DISTRICT

# APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2018-00394 DATED DEC 1 8 2018

# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# Monthly Water Loss Report

Water	Utility:		
or the	Month of:		Year:
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1	WATER PRODUC	ED BURGUAGES	GALLONS (Omit 000)
2	Water Produced	ED, PURCHASED, & DISTRIBUTED	
3	Water Purchased		
4		TOTAL BRODUCES	
5	The same of the sa	TOTAL PRODUCED AND PURC	HASED
6	WATER SALES		
7	Residential		
8	Commercial		
9	Industrial		
10	Bulk Loading Static	ons	
11	Wholesale		
12	Public Authorities		
13	Other Sales (explain	n)	
14			
15	TOTAL WATER SALES		
16	OTHER WATER U	SED	01.07 http://doi.01.074.014.4540 ma.monny
17	Utility and/or Water	Treatment Plant	
18	Wastewater Plant	5-4618-4611-70-70-70-70	
19	System Flushing		
20	Fire Department		
21	Other Usage (explain	in)	
23	L	TOTAL OTHER WATER	USED
24	WATER LOSS		
25	Tank Overflows		
26	Line Breaks		
27	Line Leaks		
28	Excavation Damage	13	
29	Theft		
30	Unknown Loss		
31		TOTAL	
32		TOTAL LINE	LOSS
33	Note: Line 14 + Line	22 + Line 31 MUST Equal Line 4	
35	WATER LOSS PER	CENTAGE FOR RATEMAKING PURPOS	
36	(Line 31 divided by t	ine 4)	
	*		0.00%

# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# **Monthly Water Loss Report**

Month of: December	Year: 2018
ITEM	CALLONG
WATER PRODUCED, PURCHASED & DISTRIBUT	GALLONS (Omit 000's)
vater Produced	
Vater Purchased	0
TOTAL PRODUCED AND	PURCHASED 6,324,000
	PURCHASED
VATER SALES	
Residential	
Commercial	3,977,800
ndustrial	
ulk Loading Stations	_0-
Vholesale	-0-
Other Sales	
TOTAL	
TOTAL W	ATER SALES #
THER WATER USED	/ -/
tility and/or Water Treatment Plant	
astewater Plant	-0-
ystem Flushing	-0-
re Department	490,000
ther	770,000
TOTAL OTHER V	
TOTAL OTHER	VATER USED #0
ATER LOSS	
ank Overflows	
ne Breaks	856,000
ne Leaks	-A-
ther	1,000,200 -
TOTAL	L LINE LOSS #D
ote: Line 13 + Line 21 + Line 28 Must Equal Line 4	(29
ATER LOSS PERCENTAGE	12