COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO)	
EXCESSIVE WATER LOSS BY)	CASE NO. 2019-00041
KENTUCKY'S JURISDICTIONAL)	
WATER UTILITIES)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FINALIZE REPORT AND TO SUBMIT RESULTS

Farmdale Water District ("Farmdale District") moves for an extension of time until April 21, 2021 in which to finalize the report of its water audit results and submit it to the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"). In support of this Motion, Farmdale District states:

1. In its November 22, 2019 Order, the Commission directed Farmdale District to perform a comprehensive water audit and submit the results of this audit to the Commission by May 22, 2020. In its April 7, 2020 Order, the Commission extended the deadline by four (4) months due to the current State of Emergency, making September 22, 2020 the deadline to submit the audit results.

2. Within a few days following the Commission's November 22, 2019 Order, Farmdale District requested the Kentucky Rural Water Association ("KRWA") to perform the comprehensive water audit. KRWA agreed to perform the audit and to perform other water loss detection services. Since then, Farmdale District has been working with KRWA staff members to complete the audit. Between early December 2019 and early March 2020, KRWA staff members visited Farmdale District on several occasions and provided Farmdale District's field employees with more advanced water leak detection training.

3. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 State of Emergency and the closure of the Farmdale District office, Farmdale District recognized it would not be able to meet the September 22, 2020 deadline to submit the results of its comprehensive water audit. Farmdale District filed a Motion for Extension of Time on September 14, 2020 and requested a 91-day extension until December 22, 2020 to complete its water audit and submit the results. The Commission granted the Motion on September 18, 2020.

4. On December 18, 2020, Farmdale requested an additional extension of time until March 22, 2021 in which to complete its comprehensive water audit and submit the audit results to the Commission. In its Motion, Farmdale District stated that additional time was needed for KRWA staff to complete its office work and more field work might be needed after the office work was finished. The Commission granted the Motion on December 23, 2020.

5. KRWA staff has confirmed that KRWA has completed all the office and field work. All that remains is analyzing the data gathered during the audit and preparing and finalizing the report of the water audit results. KRWA staff originally

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thought they would have the water audit report prepared and finalized by March 22, 2021, but the office work was again delayed due to COVID-19 and the additional field work was delayed because of inclement weather, specifically the snow and ice storms during February and the heavy rains in March.

6. The preliminary results of the audit indicate that three (3) of the four (4) zones in the Farmdale District service territory do not experience significant water loss, while one (1) zone experiences major leakage. The leakage at this zone is calculated to be approximately **4,320,000** gallons per month. The recommendations by KRWA staff focus on this zone and include monitoring tank discharge in off demand hours using a portable flow meter and isolating sections with valves to determine where the leak is occurring; monitoring SCADA system and master meter readings daily; and assessing valves within the system with a valve-turning machine.

7. Extending the time period by 30 days should allow KRWA sufficient time to finalize the report of Farmdale District's water audit results and submit it to the Commission.

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WHEREFORE, Farmdale District requests an extension of time until April 21, 2021 in which to finalize the report of its water audit results and submit it to the Commission.

Dated: March 22, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001 Section 8(7) and the Commission's March 16, 2020 and March 24, 2020 Orders in Case No. 2020-00085, this is to certify that Farmdale Water District's electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on March 22, 2021; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that a physical copy of the filing will be submitted to the Commission once the State of Emergency has ceased.

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