

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

CITY OF DRAKESBORO D/B/A  
DRAKESBORO NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY

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CASE NO.  
2019-00065

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**MOTION TO EXTEND DEADLINE AND PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION REGARDING OPERATION OF GAS SYSTEM**

Comes now, the City of Drakesboro (hereafter the “City”), by counsel, and for its motion for additional time, states as follows:

The City has previously worked with Abacus engineering in determining and designing the process and path for upgrading the natural gas system. However, Abacus has not done a a re-assessment of the steel main and has not communicated with the City. Further, Abacus has not provided certain documentation for the City as desired. Thus, the City of Drakesboro and Abacus have severed their business relationship.

The City is currently in the process of grading and hiring a new engineering firm to work with the City regarding the lines in the gas system, including re-accessing and/or re-assessing the lines and system.

The City requests a six month extension to provide a plan for the replacement of steel mains in the system, pursuant to the PSC's order entered February 24, 2021, at page 72. The City notes that the cathodics are now at 100% compliance and assessments since to 2019, coupons taken from main distribution lines show that the lines are in excellent condition and the cathodic protection is in compliance since the installation of two new rectifiers in the system.

Further, the City attaches its contact with a welding company for the provision of services for the City's natural gas system. This relationship will provide an additional resource to the system in a transition from Russmar to another system of operation of the natural gas system.

WHEREFORE, the City of Drakesboro requests an order in conformity with the contents of this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

YONTS, SHERMAN & DRISKILL, P.S.C.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the above notice was filed electronically on this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022 and served upon the Honorable John Parks by electronic mail at [John.Park@ky.gov](mailto:John.Park@ky.gov).



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Ryan Bennett Driskill



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February 23, 2022

Mayor Mike Jones  
City of Drakesboro  
P.O. Box 129  
Drakesboro, KY 42337

USDI RETAINER AGREEMENT – FEBRUARY 2022

We hereby propose to furnish you with engineering services required for the operation of Drakesboro natural gas system for a monthly retainer fee of one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175.00).

For this consideration, Utility Safety & Design, Incorporated (USDI) will:

1. Provide access to its engineering and technical staff for assistance with special projects, the operation of your natural gas systems, and routine questions that arise. Access includes phone calls as well as meetings (scheduled in advance) at a USDI office or mutually agreed upon location.
2. Provide 24-7 emergency response availability at Retainer Rates from our staff of Engineers, Welders and other Gas Operations Professionals.
3. Provide Access to the USDI Cloud-Based Storage Service for a reasonable amount of storage of plans/files/records etc. related to special projects or the operation of the gas utility.
4. Provide the Client with gas engineering services involving design, specifications, feasibility report, rate studies, or other major work during the term of this agreement. Such work shall be paid for at the rates shown under Service Rates on the attached schedule.

In accordance of this proposal the client agrees to make available to the Engineer the necessary records, maps and data necessary for any work the client desires assistance.

The retainer agreement shall be for a term of one (1) year but may be cancelled by either party on thirty (30) days written notice.

OLNEY, ILLINOIS  
1927 Miller Drive  
Olney, IL 62450  
(618) 392-5502

BELLEVILLE, IL  
9 Executive Woods Ct  
Belleville, IL 62226  
(618) 277-1520

UNIONVILLE, MO  
28847 US HWY 136  
Unionville, MO 63565  
(660) 947-3316

WICHITA, KS  
9540 W. Harry St.  
Wichita, KS 67209  
(316) 239-7313

PITTSBORO, IN  
7421 n. Co Rd. 225 E.  
Pittsboro, IN 46167  
(317) 892-7662

We hereby submit this agreement for your acceptance this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2022.

**USDI Principal Engineering Team**

C. Lindsay Enloe, P.E.  
Darin L. Houchin, P.E.  
Jason Brangers, P.E.  
Tyler Enloe, P.E.  
Anthony Everette, P.E.  
Michael Weiler, P.E.

**ACCEPTANCE**

This retainer agreement proposal for gas engineering services is hereby approved and accepted this 23 day of February, 2022 for the period beginning March 1, 2022.

Client: Drakesboro Natural Gas System

Name: Mike Jones

Title: Mayor

Signature: Mike Jones, Sandy Jeff City Clerk

Date: 2/23/22

By: Utility Safety and Design, Inc.

Name: Jason Brangers, P.E

Title: Senior Vice President

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## UTILITY RETAINER RATES

*Effective January 1, 2022*

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>HOURLY RATES<sup>1</sup></u>
Principal	\$ 160.00
Engineering Personnel (Including OQ Services)	\$ 145.00
Technical Personnel and Drafting	\$ 130.00
Construction Labor <sup>2</sup>	\$ 120.00
Clerical & Non-Technical	\$ 90.00
<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>HOURLY RATES</u>
Leak Survey/Atmospheric Corrosion Survey	\$ 120.00 (\$960.00 min)
Cathodic Protection Survey	\$ 160.00 (\$1,280.00 min)
<u>SPECIALIZED SERVICES</u>	<u>DAILY RATES</u>
Expert Witness Testimony or Court Representation	\$4,000.00
<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	<u>MILEAGE RATES</u>
Auto	\$ 0.68
Construction	\$ 0.78
<u>OVERNIGHT</u>	<u>RATES PER NIGHT</u>
Overnight Expenses	\$ 225.00
<u>OTHER</u>	<u>RATES</u>
Communication	At Cost
Subsistence	At Cost
Reproduction & Miscellaneous	At Cost

<sup>1</sup> Hourly rates include payroll taxes, insurances, and other overheads

<sup>2</sup> Rate includes utility truck and small hand tools.



## EQUIPMENT RATES

*Effective January 1, 2022*

<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<b>HOURLY RATES<sup>5</sup></b>
Construction Labor <sup>6</sup>	\$ 120.00
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	<b>MILEAGE RATES</b>
Construction	\$ 0.78
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>HOURLY RATES</b>
Welding Rig	\$ 35.00
Trencher	\$ 50.00
Mini-Excavator	\$ 55.00
Backhoe	\$ 65.00
Vacuum Excavator	\$ 65.00
Skid Steer	\$ 75.00
Horizontal Directional Drill (HDD) Boring Machine	\$ 225.00
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>DAILY RATES</b>
Air Compressor	\$ 125.00
Hydraulic/Electric Torque Tools	\$ 150.00
Pipe Trailer with Tamer	\$ 400.00
<b>TAPPING AND STOPPING SERVICES</b>	<b>RATES PER EACH</b>
¾" – 2" D-5 Mueller Tap	\$ 125.00
¾" – 2" D-5 Mueller Tap and Stop	\$ 225.00
3" – 4" D-5 Mueller Tap	\$ 250.00
3" – 4" D-5 Mueller Tap and Stop	\$ 400.00
4" C136 Tap and Stop (per fitting)	\$2,800.00
6" C136 Tap and Stop (per fitting)	\$3,000.00
8" C136 Tap and Stop (per fitting)	\$3,200.00
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>RATES PER EACH</b>
Pre-Tested Pipe	\$100.00

<sup>5</sup> Hourly rates include payroll taxes, insurances, and other overheads

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