COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF THE)
GRAYSON COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR)
A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO)
CONSTRUCT A SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS) CASE NO. 2020-00152
PROJECT AND AN ORDER APPROVING A)
CHANGE IN RATES AND AUTHORIZING)
THE ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT)
TO KRS 278.023)

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE APPLICATION FOR RATE ADJUSTMENT

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 5, Grayson County Water District ("Grayson District") moves for a 30-day extension of time to comply with the Public Service Commission's ("Commission") Order of June 16, 2020 to file an application for rate adjustment.

In support of its Motion, Grayson District states:

- 1. On June 16, 2020, the Commission issued to Grayson District a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a waterworks improvement project estimated to cost \$1,216,060, authorized Grayson District to issue \$1,051,000 of revenue bonds to Rural Development and approved an adjustment in Grayson District's rates for retail water service.
- 2. In its Order of June 16, 2020, the Commission also stated that it lacked "insight into Grayson District's financial records" and this lack of insight indicated "to the Commission that Grayson District should file an application for a traditional adjustment in rates or an alternative rate adjustment within one year of the date of . . . [the] Order to ensure its financial situation is sufficient." Order at 2.

- 3. Upon completion and submission of its annual report and financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2020 in late March of this year, Grayson District began preparing its application for a rate adjustment. It deferred any preparation of its application until then to ensure that its application would be based upon the most current information. At that time, Grayson District retained a consultant and legal counsel to assist in the application's preparation.
- 4. On May 4, 2021, Grayson District notified the Commission in writing of its intent to file an application for rate adjustment on or about June 15, 2021 and its intent to use electronic filing procedures in the rate proceeding.
- 5. Grayson District has worked diligently to prepare its application for rate adjustment within the time period specified in the Order of June 16, 2020 but requires an additional 30 days to complete its rate calculations, compile its supporting documents, obtain final approval of its proposed rates from its governing board and publish notice of its proposed rates. Several factors, including rate adjustments in retail and wholesale rates in the test period, the post-test period completion of a waterworks improvement project, and the effects of COVID-19 on test period operations, have added to the application's complexity and required more preparatory work than originally anticipated.
- 6. The requested extension will provide Grayson District sufficient time to complete the application, obtain final approval from its governing board of the proposed rates and publish the required notice of those rates. No further requests for extensions will be made.
 - 7. This motion is made in good faith and not for purposes of delay.

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¹ In addition to the adjustment of its retail rates approved in the Order of June 16, 2020, Grayson District adjusted its wholesale rate to the City of Caneyville on August 13, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of its Water Purchase Agreement with that city. *See* TFS 2020-00356 (Ky. PSC eff. Aug. 13, 2020).

WHEREFORE, Grayson District respectfully requests that the Commission extend the time in which Grayson District has to file its application for rate adjustment until July 16, 2021.

Dated: June 9, 2021 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, I certify that Grayson County Water District's electronic filing of this document 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 June 9, 2021; that there are currently no parties that the Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that within 30 days following the end of the state of emergency announced in Executive Order 2020-215 this document in paper medium will be delivered to the Public Service Commission.

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