

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of

*Electronic* Application of Bluegrass )  
Water Utility Operating Company, LLC )  
for an Adjustment of Rates and Approval )  
of Construction )

Case No. 2020-00290

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**Applicant's Notice of Intention to Implement Rates**

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Applicant, Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (“Bluegrass”), respectfully gives notice in writing of its intention to place the rates, charges, classifications, and services proposed in its Application (as supplemented and revised) in this matter, in effect for service provided on and after August 1, 2021, in the event that the final order in this matter is not entered before then. The proposed *water* rates will be implemented throughout the Bluegrass service territory. Although Bluegrass maintains its objection thereto and does not waive its objection, because of the interlocutory Commission order that considers the Application as a proposal limited to changing the rates for systems Bluegrass owned as of the date it was deemed filed (November 19, 2020), the proposed *wastewater* rates will be implemented throughout the current Bluegrass service territory except in the Delaplain, Herrington Haven and Woodland Estates subdivisions, Equestrian Woods Subdivision, and Woodland Acres Subdivision service areas.

Bluegrass hoped that the Commission would issue its final order in this case prior to June 19, 2021, but understands that the Commission’s caseload has prevented that and it is unknown when the final order may issue. Bluegrass must implement the proposed rates after the suspension period has expired in order to have an opportunity to earn a fair return under the regulatory compact. It is not even covering its operating costs with the current rates. As such, the current

rates are confiscatory and in violation of the constitutional and KRS 278.030 mandates to allow utilities an opportunity to both cover operating costs and earn a fair rate of return.

Respectfully submitted,

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