### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILING OF HYDENLESLIE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
) CASE NO. 2021-00071

# RESPONSE OF HYDEN-LESLIE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TO COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON REHEARING

Hyden-Leslie County Water District submits its Response to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information on Rehearing.

Dated: November 1, 2021 Respectfully submitted,

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, and the Public Service Commission's Order of July 22, 2021 in Case No. 2020-00085, I certify that this document was transmitted to the Public Service Commission on November 1, 2021 and that there is currently no party that the Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding.

Counsel for Hyden-Leslie County Water District

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## **RESPONSE OF**

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## VERIFICATION

| COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY | )     |
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| COUNTY OF LESLIE         | )     |

The undersigned, L.J. Turner, being duly sworn, deposes and states that he is the General Manager of Hyden-Leslie County Water District and that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the responses for which he is identified as the witness, and the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

General Manager

Hyden-Leslie County Water District

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and before said County and State, this \_\_\_\_ day of November 2021.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 27, 2024

Notary ID: KYhP11 849

# Response to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information on Rehearing Case No. 2021-00071

Question No. 1

Responding Witness: L.J. Turner

- Q-1. Refer to Hyden-Leslie District's Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information on Rehearing, Item 1.
  - a. When a request for service is refused, explain what information Hyden-Leslie District gives the applicant in regards to the applicant's rights to file a complaint with the Commission.
  - b. Explain whether Hyden-Leslie District proposes to supply an applicant who was refused service the information upon which the decision to refuse service was made, further state how "reliable and credible information regarding the applicant" known by Hyden-Leslie District's employees will be documented.
- A-1. a. Hyden-Leslie County Water District will advise an applicant refused service of its right to make an informal or formal complaint to the Public Service Commission and provide a copy of the Public Service Commission's Customer Bill of Rights, a copy of 807 KAR 5:001, Sections 20 and 21, and a copy of the Public Service Commission's "Roadmap to Utility Services in Kentucky."
  - b. Hyden-Leslie County Water District will advise an applicant who is refused service of the basis for which service is refused. If the refusal of service is based upon the applicant acting as an agent for a delinquent customer who is indebted to Hyden-Leslie County Water District for service previously provided, the name of the delinquent customer and the District's basis for believing the applicant is acting as the delinquent customer's agent will be provided.

Hyden-Leslie County Water District will prepare a memorandum describing the information gathered. If conversations with third parties serve as a basis for the determination, these conversations will be documented by a memorandum for record and, if possible, by obtaining an affidavit from the third party. Copies of any documents obtained during the District's investigation will be attached to the memorandum.

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Question No. 2

Responding Witness: L.J. Turner

- Q-2. Provide copies of all customer complaints of low water pressure received by Hyden-Leslie District since April 1, 2021. If an investigation was conducted by Hyden-Leslie District in relation to the complaint, provide a copy of all documentation in relation to the investigation, including Hyden-Leslie's findings in the investigation.
- A-2. See attachment to this response.

### **List of Workorders**

Hyden-Leslie County Water

WORKORDER DATE PARTS COST STATUS EMPLOYEE COMPLETED PRIORITY TIME LABOR Issued On: 5/4/21

45 Clover Ln. Apt.2

Job Info 19 Low Pressure

2,951 Roberts, Howard/Vickie 497 Ulysses Creek Rd. Acct: low pressure. Check PRV inside of meter box Pressure check at meter showed 50 PSI at meter

Good flow

Complete 5/25/2021 -13:0-45

19 Low Pressure Job Info

Issued On: 5/24/21

2,884 Lewis, Barbara Acct: 605 got 55psi at meter and had a good flow.

1,590 Complete 5/28/2021 -13:0-44

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 5/28/21

1,265 Roberts, Bernice Hwy. 406 610 got 35 psi at meter so he changed it.

6/7/2021 -13:0-46 1,600 Complete

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 6/7/21

24132 Hwy 421 882 Howard, Jackie Acct ·

605 got 130psi at meter and had good flow.

6/22/2021 -11:0-19 1,676

Job Info Issued On: 6/21/21 19 Low Pressure

2,795 Muncy, MacArthur 3911 Middle Frk. Rd.

Her water runs & stops. Please check PRV inside of meter box let them know what you find.

took old prv out of box.

7/23/2021 -10:0-54

19 Low Pressure Issued On: 7/12/21 Job Info

990 Howard, James A. 19123 Greasy Crk. Rd.

Water Co had leak in the main line

3,972 Cloud, Samantha

Acct:

1 798 Complete 7/15/2021 -10:0-50

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 7/12/21

Acct : 299 Copper Ln. 560 Brewer, Ellen

wrong customer it was for her brother. 7/16/2021 -13:0-45 1,802 Complete

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 7/16/21

535 Bowling, Bethany 495 Bowling Hollow Rd. Acct:

610 checked meter had 125psi. customer has very low pressure.

1,819 8/17/2021 -11:0-3

Issued On: 7/28/21 Job Info 19 Low Pressure

1,139 Kilburn, Jeffery 167 Bailey Br. Road

Pressure Valve issue. see if we have a prv no, prv in box Customer PRV bad

1,828 Complete 8/3/2021 -8:0-47

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 8/2/21

4,348 Roark, Donald 524 Hwy 1850

610 said there was 75 psi at meter.

8/5/2021 -13:0-20 1,832 Complete

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 8/4/21

customer has 100 psi at meter good flow valve in box was almost off. customer says pressure has been low it comes and goes.

1,835 Complete 8/6/2021 -11:0-1

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 8/6/21

4,348 Roark, Donald 524 Hwy 1850

VOID

8/19/2021 -13:0-16 1.895 Complete

45 Creek View Drive

Job Info 19 Low Pressure

3,466 Mitchell, David W. Acct:

customer has leak half gpm they was told. Had 55 psi at meter flow was good Low Pressure. Meter reading is 5414

Issued On: 8/19/21

1264 Mudlick Rd.

9/9/2021 -14:0-9 1,902 Complete

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 8/26/21

2,580 Baker, Charles & Melissa 252 Peach Lane Acct:

50 PSI Good flow at PRV

1,933 Complete 9/9/2021 -9:0-8

19 Low Pressure Job Info Issued On: 9/7/21

3,516 Bell, Wendell 1890 Hwy 2058 Acct:

Pressure checked at meter 43 PSI.

1,941 Complete 9/9/2021 -10:0-15

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 9/9/21

Acct: 3,758 Day, Timothy 8169 Cutshin Rd. 200 PSI before PRV Per customers request PRV was taken out

1 945 9/10/2021 -16:0-38 Complete

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 9/10/21

4,380 Coots Jr., Hurlen/Maggie 315 Coots Hollow Rd Acct:

says pressure goes out around six in the evening and doesn't come back till the next morning.

Changed both PRV's Set pressure to 145 & 195

1,953 Complete 9/14/2021 -16:0-46

Job Info 19 Low Pressure Issued On: 9/13/21

Acct: 838 Smith, John 2001-Grassy Right

Extremely low pressure since we had the leak last night.

This is a straight setter. Customer needs to change their PRV

1,962 Complete 9/22/2021 -14:0-37

19 Low Pressure Job Info Issued On: 9/21/21

3,901 Wells, Trevor Wooton Hwy 80 Acct:

 $607\ said$  it had good pressure has a straight setter.

2,039 10/7/2021 -9:0-23

Issued On: 10/6/21 Job Info 19 Low Pressure

3,380 Collett, Burgie Dean 160 Lower Bowens Crk. Rd. Acct:

Changed PRV inside of box. Good flow 150 PSI after PRV was changed 10/8/2021 -10:0-8 2.045 Complete

19 Low Pressure Job Info Issued On: 10/7/21

Acct: 359 Begley, Jeff 2301 River Rd.

Says pressure has been down for 4 or 5 days. Wonders if we might have a leak some where on River Rd

608 checked says river road was clear. Says a break is happening around OB Begley's

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Question No. 3

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- Q-3. Identify any areas on Hyden-Leslie District's system that have experienced difficulty maintaining at least 30 psi. State how Hyden-Leslie District has addressed these issues.
- A-3. The District is aware of only one area in its system that has experienced low pressure problems in the last two years. This low-pressure condition affects eight customers who are located on the very top of a ridgeline.

On December 18, 2019, a customer informed the District that his water pressure would fluctuate throughout the day. The District investigated, confirmed the fluctuation in water pressure, and determined that the fluctuations coincided with the operation of the booster pump that filled the tank supplying the pressure zone. Water pressure dropped below 30 pounds per square when the tank was not filling and during times of high customer demand. No pressure problems had been reported in this area for more than 10 years. The pressure fluctuation appears to have resulted from the reduction in the time necessary to fill the tank and thus the shorter time the booster pump filling the tank was in operation. In previous years, the tank was filling (and the booster pump was in operation) more than 20 hours daily. Due to the District's successful efforts to locate and repair water line leaks, the booster pump presently operates only 12 hours per day to fill the tank.

The District determined that the installation of an additional booster pump station in the pressure zone was necessary to ensure water pressure within the required range. It authorized the design of the booster pump station, has ordered the necessary equipment for the project and awarded a contract for construction of the booster pump station. It expects construction of the project to be completed by December 31, 2021. The estimated cost of the project is \$60,000.

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Question No. 4

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- Q-4. State whether Hyden-Leslie District has any plans to install equipment or make improvements to its system to address any known problems maintaining required pressure levels.
- A-4. See Response to Question 3.

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Question No. 5

Responding Witness: L.J. Turner

- Q-5. Refer to Hyden-Leslie District's Application for Rehearing, page 10, Rule 3.b-Requirement for New Contract. Provide revised language crafted to reflect HydenLeslie District's intention as expressed in the application for rehearing.
- A-5. Hyden-Leslie County Water District proposes to revise Rule 3.b as follows:

If a Customer transfers ownership of the property receiving water service and ceases to reside at the property and the acquiring party or a person acting on behalf of or under the authority of the acquiring party takes possession of the premises and is the primary recipient of water service to that property, the acquiring party or new party in possession must execute a contract for water service with the District. The District may, after reasonable notice, discontinue water service to the property until the acquiring party or new party in possession has executed a contract for service.