#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO	)
LEDBETTER WATER DISTRICT CHARGING	) CASE NO. 2021-0031
UNAUTHORIZED RATES PURSUANT TO 807	)
KAR 5:068	)

## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Ledbetter Water District ("Ledbetter District") moves for an extension of time until October 29, 2021 to respond to the Public Service Commission's Order of August 4, 2021. In support of its Motion, Ledbetter District states:

- 1. On August 4, 2021, the Public Service Commission initiated this proceeding to investigate Ledbetter District's alleged assessment of unauthorized rates and ordered Ledbetter District to respond within 20 days to the allegations contained in its Order.
  - 2. Ledbetter District has not filed a response to the Order of August 4, 2021.
  - 3. At the time of the issuance of the Order, Ledbetter District lacked legal counsel.
- 4. At the time of the Order's issuance, Ledbetter District's general manager had contracted the COVID-19 virus and was unable to attend to Ledbetter District's official business.
- 5. Since the issuance of the August 4, 2021 Order, Ledbetter District's general manager has written and telephoned Commission Staff regarding the Order and was advised that Ledbetter District should consult with and retain the services of an attorney to represent it in this proceeding.
- 6. In early October 2021, Ledbetter District requested that the undersigned represent it in this proceeding. After a due diligence inquiry, including conversations with Public Service

Commission Staff members, the undersigned agreed to do so. A representation agreement was

executed and returned to the undersigned on October 19, 2021.

7. Ledbetter District's failure to timely respond to the Order of August 4, 2021 was

the result of its officials' lack of knowledge and experience with Public Service Commission

practice and procedure, its lack of legal counsel and its General Manager's inability to address

water district business due to illness. Its failure to respond should not be interpreted as a lack of

respect for the Public Service Commission or willful defiance of the Public Service Commission's

authority. Ledbetter District apologizes to the Public Service Commission for its failure to timely

comply with the Order of August 4, 2021.

8. The delay in responding to the Order of August 4, 2021 has not resulted in the

continued violation of any statute or regulation or adversely affected the quality of Ledbetter

District's service to the public or the rates or charges assessed to the public nor has it impeded or

materially affected the Public Service Commission's investigation.

WHEREFORE, Ledbetter District respectfully requests that the Public Service

Commission grant it an extension of time until October 29, 2021 to respond to the Order of

August 4, 2021.

Dated: October 19, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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# **VERIFICATION**

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY	)
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON	) SS: )
Manager of Ledbetter Water District and th	duly sworn, deposes and states that he is the Genera at he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth ned therein are true and correct to the best of his
	alan Fox
	Alan Fox
	General Manager Ledbetter Water District
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this day of October 2021.	a Notary Public in and before said County and State
this 79.0 day of October 2021.	Laula Malone Notary Public
	My Commission Expires: 12.22.2021
	Notary ID: 592430

# **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 October 19, 2021 and that there are currently no parties that the Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding.

Gerald E. Wuetcher