## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT FILING OF ) CASE NO. NICHOLAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT ) 2021-00455

RESPONSE OF NICHOLAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
TO THE COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR
INFORMATION DATED MARCH 21, 2022

## Nicholas County Water District Case No. 2021-00455 Commission Staff's Second Request for Information

Witnesses: Monica Pryor

1. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request for Information (Staff's First Request), Item 1a and 1b. Nicholas District did not provide a complete response with all the information requested. Provide the general ledger and adjusted trial balance for the calendar years 2021 and 2022 to date.

Response: See file - 1\_General\_Ledger\_2021 1\_General\_Ledger\_2022 1\_Trial\_Balance\_2021 1\_Trial\_Balance\_2022

- 2. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request. Item 1e.
- a. Provide the name of the health insurance provider referenced in the response and the most recent invoice by that provider paid by Nicholas District.

Response: Nicholas County has health insurance provided by Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Their monthly fees are electronically debited from their checking account monthly. They receive a new invoice each year at policy renewal with the stated amount that will be withdrawn each month during the year. They do not receive a monthly invoice. Attached to this filing is their most recent renewal invoice.

b. Provide the rate that each employee contributes on their own behalf for health insurance expressed as a percentage.

**Response:** Each employee contributes 8.97%.

3. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request, Item 1h. The information requested was not provided in the response. Provide the requested information.

**Response:** Nicholas County responded in the first data request that they were not able to locate the Fiscal court minutes approving each commissioner's appointments and compensation. Nicholas County has been in contact with the Fiscal

court in attempts to locate the court minutes requested. Neither Nicholas County nor the Fiscal court have been able to locate the documents requested. Nicholas County will continue to try and locate the requested documentation and if located they will file it in the case file

4. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request, Item 5c. Nicholas District did not provide the information requested, but rather provided a statement that Nicholas District is not requesting any changes to their Meter Connection/Tap-on Fee, which is not responsive to the original request. Provide the requested information.

**Response:** Nicholas County believes that the Connection/Tap-on Fee, currently in their tariff, are still accurate. Provided is the cost justification sheet showing the calculation.

5. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request, Item 6. The information provided does not provide the total number of occurrences for each nonrecurring charge, but rather lists the individual adjustments that were made. Provide the total number of occurrences and total amount collected, separately stated for each nonrecurring charge listed in Nicholas District's tariff for the test year.

## **Response:** See file - 5 NonRecurring Charge

- 6. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request, Item 7.
- a. Confirm that the Cost Justification sheets provided are the most updated costs associated with each tariff item listed. If this cannot be confirmed, provide Cost Justification sheets that provide the most update to date cost information.

**Response:** Nicholas County confirms that the current cost justification sheets on file with the Kentucky Public Service Commission are the most up to date costs.

b. Provide an explanation for the Returned Payment Charge amount of \$20 listed in the current tariff.

**Response:** Nicholas County charges \$20 anytime a check is returned for non-sufficient funds or anytime that an electronic Automated Clearing House (ACH) payment is rejected.

c. Provide an explanation for the Lock Replacement amount of \$15 listed in the current tariff.

**Response:** Nicholas County charges \$15 to replace a lock that has been placed on a customer's meter, as a result of non-payment, if the customer cuts the lock off.

7. Refer to Nicholas District's response to Staff's First Request, Item 9a. Provide a detailed breakdown of the net Billing Adjustments equaling \$5,209.

Response: Subsequent to Nicholas County's response to Item 9a in the First Request, upon further review it was determined that the \$5,209 stated in the billing analysis is inaccurate. Included in the response to question 5, Items labeled "Water Leak Adjustments" and "Meter Mis-Reads" in the document titled "5\_NonRecurring\_Charge" are the accurate amounts that should be reported for Net Billing Adjustments in the Billing Analysis. The total amount should be \$3,279.78. The totals were delineated from the document labeled "6\_adjustment2020" in the first data response from Nicholas County.