# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

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1.	A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE	)
	AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING THE	) Case No.
	CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS AND	) 2022-00337
	IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS WATER SYSTEM;	)
2.	APPROVAL OF REVISED WATER SERVICE	)
	RATES AND CHARGES;	)
3.	AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN	)
	SECURITIES, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS	)
	OF KRS 278.023 AND 807 KAR 5:069	
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### APPLICATION

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1. The Applicant, Hardin County Water District No. 1 (the "District"), respectfully tenders this Application, pursuant to KRS 278.023, 807 KAR 5:069, and all other applicable laws and regulations, and requests that the Public Service Commission of Kentucky (the "Commission") issue an Order: (1) granting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the District to construct major additions and improvements to its water system (the "Project") for the purpose of increasing its water transmission capacity to both its wholesale and retail customers; (2) approving the proposed adjustment of water rates and charges to be levied and collected by the District; and (3) authorizing the issuance of certain securities by the District. In support of this application, and in conformity with the regulations of the Commission, the District states as follows:

2. The Applicant's address and contact information for this petition is:

Hardin County Water District No. 1 1400 Rogersville Road Radcliff, Kentucky 40160

Phone: 270-351-3222 or Cell: 270-268-4069

Fax: 270352-3055

Contact email: SHogan@hcwd.com (Mr. Stephen M. Hogan, General Manager)

Website: www.hcwd.com

3. The name, address, telephone number, fax number and email address for the District's attorney, Mr. David T. Wilson II, is:

Skeeters, Bennett, Wilson & Humphrey 550 W. Lincoln Trail Blvd. Radcliff, KY 40160

Phone: 270-351-4404 Fax: 270-352-4626

Contact Email: david.wilson@sbwhlaw.com

(807 KAR 5:001: Section 4(3.a))

- 4. The District is a duly organized and operating water district, established in 1952 under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (KRS 74 et. seq.) and is in good standing with the Commonwealth and is engaged in producing, selling, and purchasing potable water also providing sanitary sewer and storm water services. The District owns five distinct utility systems; the County Water utility (since 1952), the Ft. Knox sanitary and storm water utilities (acquired in 2005), the Radcliff sanitary sewer system (acquired in 2008) and the Ft. Knox water utility (acquired in 2012). The District operates and does business in a service are that includes the City of Radcliff ("City") and portions of Hardin, Meade and Breckinridge counties, and the Ft. Knox Army Post.
- 5. The District also has wholesale water sales agreements with the City of Vine Grove (100% of demand), Meade County Water District (approximately 70%), City of Hardinsburg (emergency back up only) and Hardin County Water District No. 2 (emergency back up only). The entire service area is within the boundaries of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- 6. The project be financed by a \$995,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development ("RD") loan (bond sale), \$1,000,000 America Rescue Plan Act Grant and \$734,950 of cash reserves will be used to construct additional filtration (Filter 4) at Pirtle Spring Water Treatment Plant, Rehabilitation and upgrades to Gray Lane Raw Water Pump Station, Construction of new Brizendine Booster Station and new safety handrails, catwalk on clarifiers 1 and 2 at Pirtle Spring Water Treatment Plant.

- 7. The documents from the federal lending agency stating approval of the project and including all terms and conditions of the agreement are attached as **Exhibit No. 1 807 KAR 5:069 Section 2(2).**
- 8. The letter of concurrence in contract award is included as **Exhibit No. 2 807 KAR 5:069 Section 2(3)**.
- 9. The preliminary and final engineering reports and bid tabs are included as **Exhibit No. 3 807 KAR 5:069 Section 2 (4).**
- 10. The engineering plans and specifications were prepared by Cannon & Cannon Inc. and have been signed, sealed and dated by an engineer registered in the Commonwealth of Kentucky (KRS 322.340) and are provided under separate cover as well as an original set of each has been included as a portable document format written to a compact disc under Exhibit No. 4 807 KAR 5:069 Section 6.
- 11. A certified statement from the District General Manager (Mr. Stephen M. Hogan) has been included as **Exhibit No. 5 (807 KAR 5:069 Section 6)** which states:
  - a. The plans and specifications have been designed to meet 807 KAR 5:066, sections 4(3) and (4), Section 5(1), Sections 6 and 7, Section 8(1) through (3), Section 9(1) and Section 10- (807 KAR 5:069, Section 2(a)(1))
  - b. That all state approvals or permits have been obtained. 807 KAR 5:069, Section 2(b)
  - c. That the proposed rates, as approved by the Federal Government, shall be sufficient to produce the total revenue requirements recommended in the engineering reports and sufficient to service the new debt service for the bond payments to retire the Rural Development bond payments for said financing. **807 KAR 5:069, Section 2(c)**
  - d. The anticipated beginning of construction is March 1, 2023 and the anticipated end of construction is October 26, 2023. **807 KAR 5:069 Section 2(d)**
- 12. Public notice was published in the local newspaper on Sunday, October 9, 2022 posted on the District's web page, and posted in a high traffic area at the District Offices for 30 days as required by 807 KAR 5:069 Section 2(7). A copy of that notice with affidavit of publication is also included with Exhibit No's. 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3, 807 KAR 5:069 Section 2(7)
- 13. All engineering plans, specifications, reports and bid certifications have been prepared and sealed by a Kentucky registered professional engineer in accordance with KRS 322.340

WHEREFORE, Hardin County Water District No. 1 respectfully requests, pursuant to KRS 278.023, that the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to grant;

a. A certificate of Public Need and Necessity for construction and installation of the Project;

- b. An Order authorizing the District to issue bonds through the Rural Development agency of the Federal Government in an amount up to \$995,000 at an interest rate not to exceed 2.25 % for a term of 40 years.
- c. An Order approving, for water service rendered on and after December 1, 2022, the proposed schedule of water service charges and rates as set forth in the Letter of Conditions filed herein as **Exhibit No. 1** dated at Radcliff, Kentucky this 12th day of October, 2022.

#### HARDIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT No. 1

By:

David T. Wilson II, Attorney at Law

Attorney for Hardin County Water District No. 1

SKEETERS, BENNETT, WILSON &

HUMPHREY

550 W. Lincoln Trail Blvd.

Radcliff, KY 40160

270-351-4404

## **VERIFICATION**

The undersigned, Mr. Stephen M. Hogan, General Manager of the Hardin County Water District No. 1, hereby verifies that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the enclosed Application requesting the Commission issue a Certificate of Public Need and Necessity, and approval of revised water service rates and the issuance of certain securities, and that he is duly designed by the Board of Commissioners of the Hardin County Water District No. 1 to sign and submit this information on its behalf.

By Steplen M. Hogan, GENERAL MANAGER

## **CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE**

The undersigned, Mr. David T. Wilson II, Attorney for the Hardin County Water District No. 1, hereby verifies that the foregoing was served on			
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this _/day of October, 2022.			
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	By MILLS		

STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF HARDIN

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of October, 2022, personally appeared before me, STEPHEN M. HOGAN and DAVID T. WILSON II, who being by me first sworn, subscribed to and acknowledged that they both represent the Hardin County Water District No. 1, a Kentucky Corporation, that they have signed the foregoing document as General Manager and Attorney of the District.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF KENTUCKY

DAVID T. WILSON II, Esq., ATTORNEY

My Commission Expires: <u>Jan. 5,2023</u>
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