

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO COMPLIANCE)	
WITH EXCAVATOR LOCATE REQUESTS)	CASE NO.
PURSUANT TO KRS 367.4909 AND KRS 367.4917 (7))	2022-00363

East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (“EKPC”), in response to the Commission’s Order in Case No. 2022-0063, provides the following information regarding excavator locate requests. EKPC has very limited exposure to excavator locate requests. In fact, EKPC participates in excavator locate requests for just one underground natural gas pipeline which connects EKPC’s J.K. Smith Station with the Texas Eastern natural gas interstate transmission pipeline near Bybee Road in Clark County. EKPC does not own any underground electric transmission facilities for which excavator locate requests apply. This greatly limits the volume and frequency of excavator locate requests received by EKPC as compared to many other utilities operating in Kentucky. John Warren, Manager of J.K. Smith Station, sponsors the following responses to the Commission’s November 2, 2022 Order.

RESPONSES TO ORDERING PARAGRAPH 2 ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2022 ORDER

- a. Since January 1, 2022, EKPC has received 13 locate requests. All 13 requests were “Normal” request types.
- b. Since January 1, 2022, EKPC has not received any second or subsequent requests for the same locate request.

- c. Since January 1, 2022, EKPC has responded to the 13 locate requests in an average of 15 hours and 22 minutes. See attached Excel spreadsheet denoting the specific response times for each request and related status.
- d. Since January 1, 2022, EKPC has not exceeded the statutory time limits.
- e. Since January 1, 2022, EKPC has utilizes Wildcat Gas Contractors for all excavator locate requests.
- f. A third party completes all excavator locate requests, and as such, EKPC does not record statistics regarding the accuracy of requests.
- g. A third party completes all excavator locate requests, and as such, EKPC does not determine the methodology used to examine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately.
- h. EKPC has not developed policies and procedures to reduce the number of inaccurately located facilities because its underground facilities are very small in scope, there have historically been no complaints regarding the accuracy of any locate requests and a third party completes all locate requests.

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KRS 367.4917(7))

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF KENTUCKY)
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COUNTY OF CLARK)

John Warren, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff's Order in the above-referenced case dated November 16, 2022, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.



Subscribed and sworn before me on this 22 day of December, 2022.



Notary Public

