

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**  
**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**In The Matter Of:**

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

**RESPONSES OF LICKING VALLEY RURAL  
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION  
TO THE COMMISSION'S NOVEMBER 16, 2022 ORDER**



LICKING VALLEY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

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**REQUEST 2a**

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Kerry Howard

**Request 2.a.** Since January 1, 2022, the number of locate requests received in total and broken out into the types of locate requests contained in KRS 367.4909(5).

**Response 2.a.** Since January 1, 2022, Licking Valley has received a total of 22 locate requests. Licking Valley does not have records to show the types of locate requests these 22 locate requests were. Licking Valley has approximately 2091 miles of distribution lines, with approximately only 16 miles of underground distribution lines. With so few miles of underground lines, Licking Valley's employees know the underground segments very well.

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**REQUEST 2b**

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Kerry Howard

**Request 2.b.** Since January 1, 2022, the number of second or subsequent requests for the same locate request received in total and broken out into the types of locate requests contained in KRS 367.4909(5).

**Response 2.b.** Licking Valley has not had any second or subsequent requests for the same locate request.

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**REQUEST 2c**

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Kerry Howard

**Request 2.c.** Since January 1, 2022, the length of time required to respond to each requestor/excavator in total and broken out into the types of locate requests contained in KRS 367.4909(5). Also, provide information showing whether underground facilities are marked within the statutory window, and the average time it takes to respond to a locate request.

**Response 2.c.** Since January 1, 2022, all locates have been processed within a forty-eight (48) hour timeframe. Licking Valley does not have an "average" time frame since all were completed within the statutory window.

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**REQUEST 2d**

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Kerry Howard

**Request 2.d.** Since January 1, 2022, the number of times an agreement has been reached with an excavator outside of the statutory time limits required by KRS 367.4909, with the aggregate numbers and broken out into the types of locate request contained in KRS 367.4909(5).

**Response 2.d.** Since January 1, 2022, there have been no agreements reached with an excavator outside the statutory time limits required by KRS 367.4909.

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**REQUEST 2e**

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Kerry Howard

**Request 2.e.** Since January 1, 2022, state whether locate requests have been performed by Utility personnel or by third-party contractor. If the answer is both, provide the number of locate requests performed by Utility personnel and third-party contractors, respectively.

**Response 2.e.** All locates have been performed by Licking Valley's personnel.

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**REQUEST 2f**

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Kerry Howard

**Request 2.f.** State whether records and statistics are kept of the number of underground facilities located accurately versus inaccurately. Provide all records and statistics compiled since January 1, 2022.

**Response 2.f.** Records and statistics of the number of underground facilities located accurately versus inaccurately are not kept by Licking Valley.



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**REQUEST 2g**

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**Request 2.g.** Explain the method used to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately.

**Response 2.g.** Licking Valley uses its mapping system to accurately determine location of the underground line. If for some reason Licking Valley employees are uncertain where the underground line is located, Licking Valley employees use a locator device, similar to a 3M locator device to accurately locate the underground line.

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REQUEST 2h

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**Request 2.h.** State what policies and procedures have been implemented to reduce the number of inaccurately located facilities. Provide information detailing the efficacy of those procedures on reducing the number of inaccurately located underground facilities.

**Response 2.h.** Licking Valley currently has no other policies or procedures in place other than the procedures described in Response 2g above.