

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

**CUMBERLAND VALLEY ELECTRIC INC.'S
RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS**

Pursuant to Commission Order entered November 16, 2022 in the above-referenced case, Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc. hereby submits the following responses to the Commission's requests.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION OF MARK ABNER

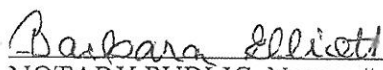
STATE OF KENTUCKY)
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COUNTY OF KNOX)

Mark Abner, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of certain of the following responses of Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc., to the Public Service Commission Staff's First Request for Information in Case No. 2022-00363, and that the matters and things set forth in his responses are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.



Mark Abner

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 19th day of December, 2022.



NOTARY PUBLIC, Notary # 616281
Commission expiration: 2-13-23

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2. Each utility shall file within 45 days of the date of service of this Order the following information:

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

a. Normal Requests	2,564
b. Emergency Requests	27
c. Design Information	2
d. Large Project	71
e. Unmapped or Untonable	0
f. Fiber to Premise Deployment	0

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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:

a. Normal Requests	0
b. Emergency Requests	6
c. Design Information	0
d. Large Project	1
e. Unmapped or Untonable	0
f. Fiber to Premise Deployment	0

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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:

a. Normal Requests	1.89 days
b. Emergency Requests	0.08 days
c. Design Information	2.4 days
d. Large Project	1.57 days
e. Unmapped or Untonable	n/a
f. Fiber to Premise Deployment	n/a

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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 requests contained in KRS 367.4909(5).

Response:

a. Normal Requests	0
b. Emergency Requests	0
c. Design Information	0
d. Large Project	0
e. Unmapped or Untonable	n/a
f. Fiber to Premise Deployment	n/a

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

Response:

Since January 1, 2022, all excavator requests have been performed for Cumberland Valley Electric by a third-party contractor.

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- 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:

CVE's third-party contractor states: "Locate accuracy is generally only investigated when a facility damage occurs. The data provided below reflects records and statistics of accuracy from damage investigations."; and same provided the following data:

Number of Damages Located Accurately	0
Number of Damages Located Inaccurately	0

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

Response:

CVE's third-party contractor states: "On site investigation using a hit kit, measurements and photos."

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- 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:

CVE uses a third-party contractor to perform locates as a procedural matter because this task is its sole line of business and they are thus very proficient at doing it timely and, most importantly, accurately. As far as this writer is aware, CVE has not experienced an underground facility damage event for which an 811 ticket was generated.