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Comes Muhlenberg County Water District (“Muhlenberg District”) for its Response to Commission’s November 16, 2022 Order, and states as shown on the following pages.



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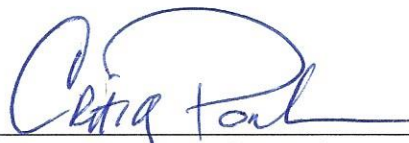
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**CERTIFICATION OF RESPONSE OF MUHLENBERG COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT TO COMMISSION’S NOVEMBER 16, 2022 ORDER**

This is to certify that I have supervised the preparation of Muhlenberg County Water District’s Responses to Commission’s November 16, 2022 Order. The response submitted on behalf of Muhlenberg County Water District is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

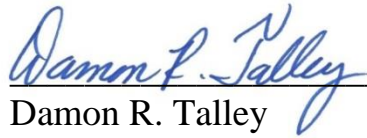
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Craig Porter, Superintendent
Muhlenberg County Water District

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with the Commission's Order of July 22, 2021 in Case No. 2020-00085 (Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19), this is to certify that the electronic filing has been transmitted to the Commission on December 22, 2022; and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means.



Damon R. Talley

MUHLENBERG COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

CASE NO. 2022-00363

Response to Commission's November 16, 2022 Order

Question No. 2

Responding Witness: Craig Porter, Superintendent

Q-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);

A-2(a). Since January 1, 2022, Muhlenberg County Water District (“Muhlenberg District”) has received 223 locate requests. The current system of tracking the locate requests does not differentiate the requests by types of locate requests.

Q-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);

A-2(b). Since January 1, 2022, Muhlenberg District has received no second or subsequent requests.

Q-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;

A-2(c). Non-Emergency locates are done within one day. Emergency locates are finished within an hour.

Q-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 requests contained in KRS 367.4909(5);**

A-2(d). In the past year, there has been one agreement reached with Logan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. This was a major project and we agreed to locate our lines as Logan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. contacted us in each area.

Q-2(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;**

A-2(e). All locate requests have been performed by Muhlenberg District personnel.

Q-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;**

A-2(f). Specific records or statistics are not kept referencing accurate versus inaccurate location of Muhlenberg District's infrastructure. However,

our work orders indicate there were no service lines and no water mains that were compromised due to inaccurate information about our system.

Q-2(g). Explain the method used to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately; and

A-2(g). If there is ever a question as to where a line is, we will spot dig in order to find the underground lines.

Q-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.

A-2(h). In order to reduce the number of inaccurately located lines, we have an employee on call at all times. As stated above, we also spot dig any areas that are in question.