

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

**In the Matter of:**

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<b>INTO COMPLIANCE WITH</b>	)	
<b>EXCAVATOR LOCATE REQUESTS</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. 2022-00363</b>
<b>PURSUANT TO KRS 367.4909 AND</b>	)	
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**RESPONSE OF**  
**HARDIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**TO**  
**COMMISSION’S NOVEMBER 16, 2022 ORDER**

**FILED: DECEMBER 8, 2022**

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Comes Hardin County Water District No. 2 (“HCWD2”) for its Response to Commission’s November 16, 2022 Order, and states as shown on the following pages.



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**CERTIFICATION OF RESPONSE OF HARDIN  
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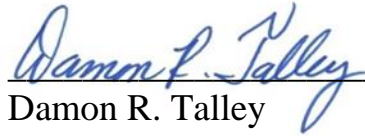
This is to certify that I have supervised the preparation of Hardin County Water District No. 2’s Responses to Commission’s November 16, 2022 Order. The response submitted on behalf of Hardin County Water District No. 2 is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Date: December 8, 2022

  
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Shaun Youravich, General Manager  
Hardin County Water District No. 2

## 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 8, 2022; and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means.

  
Damon R. Talley

**OLDHAM COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

**CASE NO. 2022-00363**

**Response to Commission's November 16, 2022 Order**

**Question No. 2**

**Responding Witness: Shaun Youravich, General Manager**

- 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 1st, 2022, Hardin County Water District No. 2 (“HCWD2”) has received 5,778 locate requests. Of these 5,778 locates requests, 5,757 were for normal excavation locate requests and 21 were for a large project request.
- 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).** There were three subsequent requests for the same locate request on a normal excavation notice.
- 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).** Since January 1st, 2022, HCWD2 responded to and completed all locate requests within the allotted time. The average response time for all locate requests is 1.5 days. The large project request was completed within two business days.
- 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).** Since January 1st, 2022, there has been no need to reach an agreement with an excavator or contractor to complete a locate request outside the statutory time limits.
- 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).** Since January 1st, 2022, all locate requests have been performed by HCWD2. No third-party contractors are used.
- 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).** Since January 1st, 2022, 10 mismarks resulted in damage.

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

**A-2(g).** The method to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately is to use two of the locate methods defined below.

**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).** To prevent inaccurately located lines, HCWD2 uses a combination of the following devices: underground utility locator, tracer wire, and the probing method sounding/thumping of the pipe, or excavation of the line in the ground. All new lines are installed with tracer wire, if it is discovered a tracer wire has been broken it is immediately repaired. Additional tracer wire connections are added during new service connections and additions to the distribution system. HCWD2 maintains a comprehensive mapping system which is frequently updated to include new water line installations while older lines are added when exposed. HCWD2 maintains a positive presence with local utilities, contractors, and customers to portray the importance of accurately located facilities to minimize the impact on water and prevent interruption of service.