

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

In the Matter of:

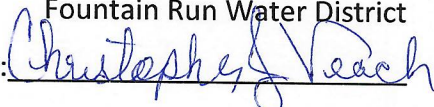
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| ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO |) | |
| COMPLIANCE WITH EXCAVATOR LOCATE |) | CASE NO. |
| REQUESTS PURSUANT TO KRS 367.4909 AND |) | 2022-00363 |
| KRS 367.4917(7) |) | |

RESPONSE

Fountain Run Water District, as a non-Municipal utility, files this response to the Kentucky Public Service Commission Case number 2022-00363. In response to Case Number 2022-00363, the District states as follows:

- a) Since January 1st, 2022, Fountain Run Water District has received 16 locate requests, of these requests, 13 were for normal excavation locate requests, 2 were fiber-to-the-premises, 1 was for a large project request.
- b) Since January 1st, 2022, Fountain Run Water District responded to and complete all locate requests within the allotted time. The average response time for all locate requests is 1.5 days. The large project request was done and is ongoing as needed per requests. The fiber-to-the-premises locate requests are completed within 1 day. The normal excavation locate requests are completed within one to two days of the request.
- c) 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.

- d) Since January 1st, 2022, all locate requests have been performed by Fountain Run Water District. No third-party contractors are used.
- e) Since January 1st, 2022, no records have been kept showing the number of underground facilities accurately versus inaccurately. There has been one underground facility hit after line locate request. The cause- Operator Error
- f) The method to decide whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately is to use two of the locate methods defined below.
- g) To prevent inaccurately found lines, the District uses a combination of the following devices including Tracer Wire, the probing method sounding/thumping of the pipe. All new lines are installed with a tracer wire, if it is discovered that a tracer wire is broken it is immediately repaired. Additional tracer wire is added during new service connections and additions to the to the distribution system. The District maintains accurate maps of its facilities. The District maintains a positive presence with locale utilities, contractors, and customers to portray the importance of accurately located facilities to minimize the impact on work and prevent interruption of service.

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