### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

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

# RESPONSE OF LETCHER COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT TO ORDER OF NOVEMBER 16, 2022

In response to the Commission's Order of November 16, 2022, Letcher County Water and Sewer District provides the following information:

- a. Since January 1, 2022, Letcher County Water and Sewer District has received 238 locate requests. Of those requests, 219 requests were normal excavation locate requests, and 19 requests were emergency locate requests.
- b. Since January 1, 2022, Letcher County Water and Sewer District has not received any second or subsequent requests for the same locate request.
- c. Since January 1, 2022, Letcher County Water and Sewer District has responded to all locate requests within the statutory window established by KRS 367.4909(5). Responses to normal excavation locate requests are completed on an average of one to two full working days. Responses to emergency requests were completed on the average within one day.
- d. Since January 1, 2022, Letcher County Water and Sewer District has not needed to reach an agreement with an excavator to complete a locate request outside of the statutory time limits.
- e. Since January 1, 2022, Letcher County Water and Sewer District performed all locate requests. No third-party contractor is used to locate underground facilities.

f. Letcher County Water and Sewer District maintains a record of the number of underground facilities located accurately versus inaccurately. Since January 1, 2022, only one

water line was in a different location than the District's records indicated.

g. Letcher County Water and Sewer District uses multiple methods to locate water

lines. The accuracy of each method is validated by the success of each work order.

h. Letcher County Water and Sewer District uses multiple methods to prevent

inaccurately located facilities. These methods include the use of a GIS Mapping System, the use

of paper maps, and probing the ground or excavation line in the ground. The District maintains

current and updated maps of its facilities and works with excavators and local and state officials.

It also strives to inform its customers about the extreme importance of locating all utilities before

beginning any project that involves digging to prevent service interruptions.

Dated: December 5, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, I certify that this document was submitted electronically to the Public Service Commission on December 5, 2022 and that there are currently no parties that the Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding.

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