COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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DAVIESS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

TO

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Comes Daviess County Water District ("District") 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 DAVIESS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TO COMMISSION'S NOVEMBER 16, 2022 ORDER

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

Date: December 21, 2022

William G. Higdon

Daviess 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 21, 2022; and that there are currently no parties in this proceeding that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means.

William G. Higdon

DAVIESS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

CASE NO. 2022-00363

Response to Commission's November 16, 2022 Order

Question No. 2

Responding Witness: William G. Higdon

- 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, Daviess County Water District ("District") has received 1,005 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, District has received zero (0) 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). It takes one (1) working day for the District to respond to a locate request and by doing so, we are within the statutory window. Once a request is made, the work order is written up for the next working day and located by District field technicians. The average time it takes for the District to respond to a locate request is one (1) working day.

- 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). There have been no agreements made with an excavator outside of 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). All locate requests have been performed by the utility's 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 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). Our work orders indicate there were no service lines and no water mains that were compromised due to inaccurate information about our system. Once the District field technician completes a locate request, the technician positively notes the completion on the work order.
- 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). The District field technician uses the GIS system in connection with electronic locating devices, tracer wire, and probe to accurately locate the District's water lines.