

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

**RESPONSE OF EAST LOGAN WATER DISTRICT
TO ORDER OF NOVEMBER 16, 2022**

In response to the Commission’s Order of November 16, 2022, East Logan Water District (“East Logan District”) provides the following information:¹

- a. Since February 1, 2022, East Logan District has received 444 locate requests. All of these requests were normal excavation locate requests.
- b. Since February 1, 2022, East Logan District has received second or subsequent requests. In each instance, East Logan District had previously responded to the earlier request in the required statutory period either confirming no conflict with its existing facilities or having marked its facilities in the vicinity of the request.
- c. East Logan District’s records lack sufficient information to respond to the specific request. These records, however, indicate that East Logan District has responded to all locate requests for the period beginning February 1, 2022 within the required statutory time period. All requests during this period were normal locate requests.
- d. Since January 1, 2022, East Logan District has not reached any agreements with excavators to complete a locate request outside of the statutory time limits.

¹ For the reasons set forth in its Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to Request for Information in Case No. 2021-00248, filed December 8, 2022, East Logan District in some instances lacks adequate information to provide the requested information for the period from January 1, 2022 to the present. In those instances, it has specified the period that the response covers.

e. Since January 1, 2022, East Logan District performed all locate requests. No third-party is used to locate underground facilities.


f. East Logan District maintains a record only of instances in which a water line was damaged after completion of a location. Since February 1, 2022, there has been only one known instance of a damaged water line after a locate.

g. East Logan District deems an inaccurate locate to occur if damage to a water line results from an excavation after the locate.

h. East Logan District has developed written procedures to address locate requests. It has sought to improve its ability to locate its underground facilities by acquiring mapping software and populating this software with the GPS coordinates of its facilities. It requested and has obtained the assistance of the Kentucky Rural Water Association in this endeavor. East Logan District has obtained new locator equipment to enhance and improve its ability to locate its underground facilities. It is currently considering the purchase of a ground penetrating radar device to further improve its ability to locate its facilities.

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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 30, 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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