## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

## IN THE MATTER OF:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO	)	
COMPLIANCE WITH EXCAVATOR LOCATE	)	CASE NO.
REQUESTS PURSUANT TO KRS 367.4909 AND	)	2022-00363
KRS 367 4917(7)		

## **RESPONSE**

Grayson 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, Grayson County Water District has received 3,522 locate requests. 3,372 normal excavation locate requests, 8 damage locate requests, 2 design locate requests, and 140 emergency locate requests.
- b. Grayson County Water District received 11 Second Notices on normal excavation tickets. Each of these instances the District had previously replied that the dig site was clear.
- c. Since January 1st, 2022, Grayson County Water District responded to and completed all locate requests within the statutorily required timeframe. Grayson County Water District responds to most locate request next business day. All emergency locates are completed the same day they are received.
- d. Since January 1st, 2022, there hasn't been a necessity to reach an agreement with any contractor to complete a locate request for Grayson County Water District outside the statutory time limits.
- e. Since January 1st, 2022, all locate requests have been performed by Grayson County Water District. No third-party contractors have been utilized.
- f. Since January 1st, 2022, no records or statistics have been retained regarding incorrectly marked utilities.
- g. The method to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately is by utilizing at least two of the locate methods defined below.
- h. To prevent inaccurately located lines, the District uses a combination of the following devices including GPS/GIS System, tracer wire, ground probing, or 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 damaged it is immediately repaired. The District maintains a comprehensive mapping system of its facilities at sub foot accuracy. The District maintains a positive presence with local utilities, contractors, and customers to portray the importance of accurately locating facilities to minimize the impact on work and prevent interruption of service to our customers. The District promotes 811 on its website.

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Respectfully submitted,

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