

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

RESPONSE

Fleming County Water Association files this response to the Kentucky Public Service Commission Case Number 2022-00363. In response to Case Number 2022-00363, our response is as follows:

- a. As of November 22, 2022, we have received 93 requests to locate and flag the location of our water lines.
- b. We have had 0 second or subsequent requests for the same locate request.
- c. Since January 1, 2022, we have responded to all locate requests within the statutory window as allowed by KRS 367.4909(5). Statistically, 43% of locate requests were responded to in the Same Day as the Request, 53% of the locate requests were responded to the next morning, 3% of the locate requests required discussion with the property owner concerning relocating of meters and lines to accommodate development, and were planning projects, and 1% of the locate requests were completed within 2 business days. We did not have any fiber to premises locate requests in our area. All normal excavation requests are completed within 24-30 hours of the request.
- d. Since January 1, 2022 we have not needed any agreement with an excavator outside of the statutory time limit. We have had 3 requests that required us to meet and discuss with the Property Owners to locate and determine a relocation or depth of an existing water line or water meter to accommodate a development or future excavation project and required our involvement for project planning.
- e. All locate requests are performed by our staff and not by a third party consultant.
- f. We keep a work order record of each locate request, recording the details of each request. Since January 1, 2022, we had a total of 93 locate requests, and during that

time, we only had 1 - water line that was in a different location than our records indicated. This was on a 2" water service line and was in a different location due to a previous relocation that was not recorded in our records.

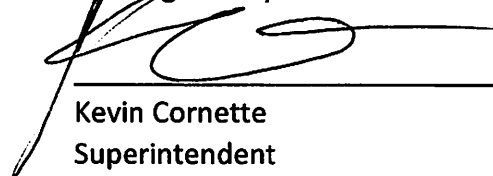
- g. The method we use to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately or inaccurately is by knowing the success of each locate work order, and validated by the methods we use to locate our water lines.

- h. We utilize various methods to prevent inaccurately located lines. We utilize our GIS Mapping System and hardcopy Maps, "as built" plan sheets, tracer wire, probing of the ground, and at times, excavation by our personnel to "spot" the line as needed. We have adopted a policy on all new water line construction that we are provided "as built" plans for our GIS System in State Plane North Coordinates by the engineers, as well as tracer wire installed with each new line. New construction of water lines are also mapped by our staff using our GPS System to coincide with the as built plans. We continue to improve our GIS Data by utilizing our GPS System to record map points when excavation is done by our staff to make repairs in the system. We maintain hard copies and electronic copies of all data for our system, and work with excavators, local and state officials, and our customers to remind them of the importance of locating all underground utilities to prevent interruption of service. Our GIS Mapping Database System is a work in progress and will continue to improve as data is added and updated with GPS technology.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, I certify that Fleming County Water Association's electronic filing of this Response is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Public Service Commission on November 28, 2022; that there are currently no parties that the Public Service Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that an original paper medium of this Response will be delivered to the Public Service Commission within two business days.

Fleming County Water Association



Kevin Cornette
Superintendent

11-28-2022

Date