

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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 TO INFORMATION REQUEST

Pursuant to Commission Order entered November 16, 2022 in the above-referenced case, Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (“Bluegrass Water”), by counsel, hereby submits the following responses to the Commission’s requests.

Request (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).

Response (a): During the identified period, the following requests were received.

Normal locates: 695

Emergency: 44

Design: 1

Large project request: 0

Unmapped or untonable request: 0

Fiber-to-the premises broadband deployment request: 0

Total: 740

Request (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).

Response (b): Bluegrass Water's contractor does not track the number of second or subsequent requests for the same locate request separate from its overall tracking. Any second or subsequent requests are included in the totals set forth in response to Request (a) but are not separately categorized.

Request (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.

Response (c): During the identified period, the average length of time required to respond was as follows.

Normal locates: 2.32 days

Emergency: 2.19 days

Design: 1 day

Large project request: N/A

Unmapped or untonable request: N/A

Fiber-to-the premises broadband deployment request: N/A

Total: 2.31 days

Request (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).

Response (d): During the identified period, Bluegrass Water has not reached such an agreement with an excavator.

Request (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.

Response (e): During the identified period, all locate requests have been performed by a third-party contractor.

Request (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.

Response (f): Such records and statistics are not kept at this time, but Bluegrass Water has not been made aware of any inaccurate locations of its underground facilities during the referenced period.

Request (g): Explain the method used to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately.

Response (g): Please see the response to Request (f).

Request (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.

Response (h): Please see the responses to Request (f) and Request (g).

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