

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

Todd County 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, Todd County Water District has received 165 locate requests. Of these 165 locate requests, 147 were for normal excavation locate requests, 17 were for fiber-to-the-premises, and 1 was for a large project request.
- b. There was one subsequent request for the same locate request on a normal excavation notice.
- c. Since January 1st, 2022, Todd County Water District responded to and complete all locate requests within the allotted time. The average response time for all locate requests is 1.2 days. The large project request was completed the same day as the request was received. The fiber-to-the-premises locate requests are completed within two business days. The normal excavation locate requests are completed within one to two days of the request.
- d. Since January 1st, 2022, there has been no need to reach an agreement with an excavator or contractor to complete a locate request outside the statutory time limits.

- e. Since January 1st, 2022, all locate requests have been performed by Todd County Water District. No third-party contractors are used.
- f. Since January 1st, 2022, no records have been kept to show the number of underground facilities accurately versus inaccurately. There have been no underground facilities hit after a locate request.
- g. The method to determine whether an underground facility has been located accurately versus inaccurately is to use two of the locate methods defined below.
- h. To prevent inaccurately located lines, the District uses a combination of the following devices including ground penetrating radar, tracer wire, the probing method sounding/thumping of the pipe, or excavation of the line in the ground. All new lines are installed with a tracer wire, if it is discovered a tracer wire has broken it is immediately repaired. Additional tracer wire connections are added during new service connections and additions to the distribution system. A ground penetrating radar unit was purchased to aid in the quick and accurate location of older or smaller water lines. The District maintains accurate maps of its facilities. The District maintains a positive presence with local utilities, contractors, and customers to portray the importance of accurately located facilities to minimize the impact on work and prevent interruption of service.

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