

EXHIBIT 9

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

**ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF)
BLUEGRASS WATER UTILITY)
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC FOR AN) Case No. 2022-00432
ADJUSTMENT OF SEWAGE RATES)**

CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001 § 17(3), I, Aaron Silas, Director of Regulatory Operations for Central States Water Resources, Manager of Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC, a utility furnishing water and sewage services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, certify that notice to the public of the filing of the Company's application for an adjustment to its sewage rates has been given in all respects as required by 807 KAR 5:001, as follows.

1. On the 27th day of February, 2023, the attached notices were posted at the Company's place of business, 1630 Des Peres Road, Suite 140, St. Louis, Missouri 63131 and was also posted for public inspection at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, 101 South Fifth Street, Suite 2500, Louisville, Kentucky 40202.

2. On the 27th day of February, 2023, the attached notices and a hyperlink to the location on the Public Service Commission's website where the filing will be available, were posted on the Company's website (<https://www.centralstateswaterresources.com/bluegrass-water/>) and will remain posted in conformity with the requirements of 807 KAR 5:001.

3. On the 27th day of February, 2023, the attached notices were mailed to all of the Kentucky customers of Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC, as follows:

a. All customers of the Airview, Arcadia Pines, Carriage Park, Fox Run, Golden Acres, Great Oaks, Kingswood, Lake Columbia, Longview, Marshall Ridge, Randview, River Bluffs, and Timberland systems were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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b. All customers of the Brocklyn system, including residential and multifamily customers, were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit B.

c. All customers of the Darlington Creek system were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit C.

d. All customers of the Delaplain system, including residential and commercial customers, were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit D.

e. All customers of the Herrington Haven system were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit E.

f. All customers of the Permission Ridge system, including residential and non-residential customers, were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit F.

g. All customers of the Springcrest system were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit G.

h. All customers of the Woodland Acres system were mailed the Customer Notice attached hereto as Exhibit H.

Given under my hand this the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2023.

Aaron Silas
Director, Regulatory Operations
Central States Water Resources



STATE OF MISSOURI

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COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me on this the 27th day of FEB, 2023.

My commission expires: OCT 16th, 2026

Notary Public

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Exhibit A



Dear Customer:

We're writing to update you on the wastewater services that serve your community.

Since purchasing the sewer system that serves you, Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (Bluegrass Water) has invested nearly \$16 million in Kentucky communities to ensure that you, your families and your neighbors have access to clean, safe and reliable wastewater resources. The infrastructure upgrades to the sewer system serving you may include installation of remote monitoring equipment to assure facilities are closely tracked and work properly at all times; sewer plant improvements to ensure proper treatment including flow equalization, replacement of blowers, pipes, and diffusers in aeration tankage, and many more necessary repairs. As a result of these efforts and additional improvements planned, Bluegrass Water expects to submit a request on February 27, 2023 to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) for a general adjustment of rates charged for service in order to increase annual sewer operating revenues by \$1,291,491.

Please take notice of the following information about the proposed rate adjustment that is presented below:

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Bluegrass Water, but the PSC, the state agency that regulates all utility services in Kentucky, may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates found in this notice. The Company has proposed raising your rate from the present rate of \$85.97 to the proposed rate of \$99.37 which represents an increase of \$13.40 or 15.6%. The date the proposed rates are expected to be filed with the PSC is February 27, 2023; the proposed effective date of the rates is for service rendered on and after March 31, 2023. As there are only flat rates included in the existing tariff or which affect existing customers, the average customer usage is unknown and the effect the proposed rate will have on the average bill for each customer is an increase of \$13.40 or 15.6%.

You may examine Bluegrass Water's application at the offices of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, 101 South Fifth St., Suite 2500, Louisville, KY 40202. If you would like to make prior arrangements to view the application at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, please contact Brooks Herrick at 502-540-2376 or brooks.herrick@dinsmore.com. Bluegrass Water's application may also be examined at the PSC's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the PSC through its Web site or by mail to:

Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

You may submit a timely written request for intervention to the PSC, establishing the grounds for the request including your status and interest in the proceeding, by mail to:

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If the PSC does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the mailing of this notice, the PSC may take final action on the application.

Josiah Cox

President

Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC

Exhibit B



Dear Customer:

We're writing to update you on the wastewater services that serve your community.

Since purchasing the sewer system that serves you, Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (Bluegrass Water) has invested nearly \$16 million in Kentucky communities to ensure that you, your families and your neighbors have access to clean, safe and reliable wastewater resources. The infrastructure upgrades to the sewer system serving you may include installation of remote monitoring equipment to assure facilities are closely tracked and work properly at all times; sewer plant improvements to ensure proper treatment including flow equalization, replacement of blowers, pipes, and diffusers in aeration tankage, and many more necessary repairs. As a result of these efforts and additional improvements planned, Bluegrass Water expects to submit a request on February 27, 2023 to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) for a general adjustment of rates charged for service in order to increase annual sewer operating revenues by \$1,291,491.

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Exhibit C

February 27, 2023

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