## ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

### BETWEEN

# KENTUCKY RURAL WATER FINANCE CORPORATION

AND

## MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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#### ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

This Assistance Agreement made and entered into as of the 27th day of June, 2001 (the "Assistance Agreement") by and between the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, a nonprofit corporation and instrumentality of the various entities of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Issuer") and the Meade County Water District (the "Governmental Agency"):

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Issuer has established its Public Projects Flexible Term Program (the "Program") designed to provide financing for the expansion, addition and improvements of public projects for governmental entities under which the Issuer has determined to issue under its Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation Multimodal Public Projects Revenue Bonds (Flexible Term Program), Series 2001, dated April 4, 2001 (the "Bonds") pursuant to a Trust Indenture dated as of April 4, 2001 (the "Indenture") between the Issuer and Fifth Third Bank, trustee (the "Trustee"), the net proceeds of which will be applied for the benefit of such governmental entities by making loans, pursuant to Assistance Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has determined that it is necessary and desirable to refinance and currently refund certain outstanding indebtedness of said Governmental Agency (the "Project"), and the Issuer has determined that the Project is a project within the meaning of the Act and the Indenture, thereby qualifying for financial assistance from the Issuer; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has found and determined that the Project will be in furtherance of the purposes of the Issuer and the Governmental Agency under the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has designated the Issuer as its instrumentality and agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Assistance Agreement the Governmental Agency will proceed with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency, presently owns and operates the waterworks system the "System") of said Governmental Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has heretofore issued its Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds of 1986, Series A and B, dated June 23, 1987 (the "Series 1986 Bonds") in the original principal amount of \$639,000, authorized by a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners (the "Governing Body") on August 5, 1986 (the "1986 Bond Legislation"); and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has found and determined that it is in the public interest to refinance and currently refund the Series 1986 Bonds in order to achieve interest savings; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has heretofore issued its Prior Bonds (as hereinafter defined); and

WHEREAS, in and by the Prior Bond Legislation (as hereinafter defined), the right and privilege was reserved by the Governmental Agency under conditions and restrictions set out in said Prior Bond Legislation, of issuing additional bonds from time to time, payable from the income and revenues of the System and ranking on a parity with the outstanding Prior Bonds, for the purpose, among other things, of financing the costs of extensions, additions and improvements to the System, and refinancing certain outstanding indebtedness, which conditions and restrictions are found to currently exist and prevail so as to permit the issuance of certain proposed additional bonds to rank, when issued, on a parity with the outstanding Prior Bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and advisable for the best interests of the Governmental Agency that it enter into this Assistance Agreement with the Issuer in order to borrow funds (the "Loan") in the amount of \$605,000 [the "Obligations"], for the purpose of providing funds for the Project, and to reaffirm the conditions and restrictions whereunder similar bonds or obligations may be subsequently issued ranking on a parity therewith; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Sections 58.010 through 58.140, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, and under the provisions of the Prior Bond Legislation, the Governmental Agency is authorized to enter into this Assistance Agreement and to borrow the Obligations to provide such funds for the purpose aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer is willing to cooperate with the Governmental Agency in making available the Loan pursuant to the Act and the Indenture to be applied to the Project upon the conditions hereinafter enumerated and the covenants by the Governmental Agency herein contained; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer and the Governmental Agency have determined to enter into this Assistance Agreement pursuant to the terms of the Act and the Indenture and to set forth their respective duties, rights, covenants, and obligations with respect to the construction and financing of the Project subject to the repayment of the Loan and the Obligations and the interest thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL COVENANTS HEREIN SET FORTH, THE LOAN HEREBY EFFECTED AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE RECEIPT OF WHICH IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED BY EACH PARTY, THE PARTIES HERETO MUTUALLY COVENANT AND AGREE, EACH WITH THE OTHER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Definitions. As used in this Assistance Agreement, unless the context requires otherwise:

"Act" refers to Chapters 58 and 74 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

"Assistance Agreement" refers to this Assistance Agreement authorizing the Loan and the Obligations.

"Bond Counsel" refers to a nationally recognized firm of Bond Counsel which firm has prepared the legal proceedings for the Obligations, has furnished all of the customary services of Bond Counsel in this financing and will continue to furnish such services until the Obligations are delivered and paid for, including the rendering of the final approving legal opinion with regard to the legality of the Obligations and the tax exemption of the interest thereon.

"Bond Legislation of 1986" or "1986 Bond Legislation" refers to the resolution authorizing the Series 1986 Bonds, which was adopted by the Governing Body on August 5, 1986.

"Bond Legislation of 1992" or "1992 Bond Legislation" refers to the resolution authorizing the Series 1992 Bonds, which was adopted by the Governing Body on July 21, 1992.

"Bondowner", "Owner", "Bondholder" means and contemplates, unless the context otherwise indicates, the registered owner of one or more of the Bonds at the time issued and outstanding hereunder.

"Bonds" refers to the Obligations, the Prior Bonds and any additional Parity Bonds.

"Certified Public Accountants" refers to an independent Certified Public Accountant or firm of Certified Public Accountants, duly licensed in Kentucky and knowledgeable about the affairs of the System and/or of other Governmental Agency financial matters.

"Code" refers to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any regulations issued thereunder.

"Compliance Group" refers to the Compliance Group identified and defined in the Indenture.

"Depository Bank" refers to the bank or banks in which the Funds referred to in this Assistance Agreement will be deposited and maintained as the depository(ies) for such Funds; as determined by the Governmental Agency.

"Depreciation Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Depreciation Fund created and confirmed in the Prior Bond Legislation and which Depreciation Fund will continue to be maintained for the benefit of all of the Bonds.

"Engineer" or "Independent Consulting Engineer" refers to an Independent Consulting Engineer or firm of Engineers of excellent national reputation or of recognized excellent reputation in Kentucky in the fields of waterworks and sewer engineering.

"Funds" refers to the Revenue Fund, the Prior Sinking Fund, the Operation and Maintenance Fund, the Depreciation Fund and the Governmental Agency Account.

"Governing Body" means the Board of Commissioners of the Governmental Agency or such other body as shall be the governing body of said Governmental Agency under the laws of Kentucky at any given time. "Governmental Agency" refers to the Meade County Water District.

"Governmental Agency Chief Executive" refers to the Chairman of the Governmental Agency.

"Governmental Agency Clerk" refers to the Secretary of the Governmental Agency.

"Indenture" means the Trust Indenture, dated as of April 4, 2001, as originally executed or as it may from time to time be supplemented, modified or amended by any supplemental mortgage, by and between the Issuer and the Trustee.

"Interest Payment Date" shall mean the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month, commencing July 1, 2001 and continuing through and including January 1, 2024 or until the Loan has been paid in full.

"Issuer" refers to the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation.

"Obligations" refers to the Loan authorized by this Assistance Agreement in the principal amount of \$605,000.

"Operation and Maintenance Fund" refers to the "Meade County Water District Operation and Maintenance Fund" created and confirmed in the Prior Bond Legislation and which Operation and Maintenance Fund will continue to be maintained for the benefit of the System.

"Outstanding Bonds" refers collectively to all outstanding Prior Bonds, the outstanding Obligations and any outstanding Parity Bonds, and does not refer to any bonds which have been defeased.

"Parity Bonds" means bonds issued in the future, which will, pursuant to the provisions of this Assistance Agreement, rank on a basis of parity with the Obligations and shall not be deemed to include, nor to prohibit the issuance of, bonds ranking inferior in security to the Obligations.

"Permitted Investments" refers to investments of funds on deposit in the various funds created herein and includes:

- (1) direct obligations of the United States of America (including obligations issued or held in book-entry form on the books of the Department of the Treasury of the United States of America) or obligations the timely payment of the principal of and interest on which are fully guaranteed by the United States of America, including instruments evidencing an ownership interest in securities described in this clause (1);
- (2) obligations, debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following:

Federal Home Loan Bank System, Export-Import Bank of the United States, Federal Financing Bank, Federal Land Banks, Government National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or Federal Housing Administration;

- (3) repurchase agreements (including those of the Trustee or the Bank) fully secured by collateral security described in clause (1) or (2) of this definition, which collateral (a) is held by the Trustee or a third party agent during the term of such repurchase agreement, (b) is not subject to liens or claims of third parties and (c) has a market value (determined at least once every fourteen days) at least equal to the amount so invested;
- (4) certificates of deposit of, or time deposits in, any bank (including the Trustee or the Bank) or savings and loan association (a) the debt obligations of which (or in the case of the principal bank of a bank holding company, the debt obligations of the bank holding company of which) have been rated at least equal to the rating assigned to the Bonds by each Rating Agency then rating the Bonds or (b) which are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or (c) which are secured at all times, in the manner and to the extent provided by law, by collateral security (described in clause (1) or (2) of this definition) of a market value (valued at least quarterly) of no less than the amount of money so invested;
- (5) shares in any investment company registered under the Federal Investment Governmental Agency Act of 1940 whose shares are registered under the Federal Securities Act of 1933 and whose only investments are government securities described in clause (1) or (2) of this definition and repurchase agreements fully secured by government securities described in clause (1) or (2) of this definition and/or other obligations rated AAA by S&P;
- (6) tax-exempt obligations of any state of the United States, or political subdivision thereof, which are rated AA or better by S&P or mutual funds invested only in such obligations;
- units of a taxable or nontaxable government money-market portfolio composed of U.S. Government obligations and repurchase agreements collateralized by such obligations;
- (8) commercial paper rated A-1 or A-1+ by S&P;
- (9) corporate notes or bonds with one year or less to maturity rated in one of the two highest Rating Categories by S&P; or
- (10) shares of mutual funds, each of which shall have the following characteristics:

(i) The mutual fund shall be an open-end diversified investment company registered under the Federal Investment company Act of 1940, as amended;

(ii) The management company of the investment company shall have been in operation for at least five (5) years; and

(iii) All of the securities in the mutual fund shall be in investments in any one or more of the investments described in (1) and (3) above.

"Prior Bond Legislation" refers collectively to the 1992 Bond Legislation.

"Prior Bonds" refers collectively to the Series 1992 Bonds.

"Prior Sinking Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Waterworks Prior Sinking Fund created and confirmed in the Prior Bond Legislation and which Revenue Fund will continue to be maintained for the benefit of all of the Bonds.

"Program" refers to the Issuer's Public Projects Flexible Term Program designed to provide financing for the expansion, addition and improvements of public projects for governmental entities.

"Program Administrator" refers to the Kentucky Rural Water Association, Inc., Bowling Green, Kentucky.

"Program Reserve Fund" refers to the reserve fund created and established pursuant to Section 4.2 of the Indenture.

"Project" refers to refinancing and current refunding of the Governmental Agency's Series 1986 Bonds with the proceeds of the Obligations.

"Record Date" shall mean with respect to any Interest Payment Date, the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day next preceding such Interest Payment Date, whether or not such day is a business day.

"Requisition Certificate" means the form attached hereto as Exhibit C to be utilized by the Governmental Agency in obtaining disbursements of the Loan from the Governmental Agency Account as construction of the Project progresses.

"Revenue Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Fund created and confirmed in the Prior Bond Legislation and which Revenue Fund will continue to be maintained for the benefit of all of the Bonds.

"Series 1986 Bonds" refers to the original authorized \$639,000 of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds of 1986, Series A and B, dated June 23, 1987.

"Series 1992 Bonds" refers to the original authorized \$415,000 of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds of 1992, dated February 4, 1993.

"System" refers to the Governmental Agency's waterworks system, together with all future extensions, additions and improvements to said System.

"Treasurer" refers to the Treasurer of the Governmental Agency.

"Trustee" refers to Fifth Third Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"U.S. Obligations" refers to bonds, notes, or Treasury Bills which are direct obligations of the United States of America or obligations fully guaranteed by the United States of America, including book-entry obligations of the United States Treasury-State and Local Government Series, and Trust Receipts representing an ownership interest in direct obligations of the United States.

Section 2. Reaffirmation of Declaration of Waterworks System. That all proceedings heretofore taken for the establishment of and the supplying of water service in and to said Governmental Agency as a municipal waterworks system are hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed; and so long as any of the obligations hereinafter authorized or permitted to be issued remain outstanding, said System shall be owned, controlled, operated and maintained for the security and source of payment of said obligations. Said System is hereby declared to constitute a public project within the meaning and application of Sections 58.010 to 58.140, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Section 3. Authorization of Obligations; Place of Payment; Manner of Execution. That pursuant to the Constitution and laws of Kentucky, and particularly said Sections 58.010 to 58.140, inclusive of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the Governmental Agency hereby authorizes the borrowing of \$605,000 from the Program, for the purpose of providing funds for the Project. Said Obligations shall mature on each January 1 beginning January 1, 2002 and continuing thereafter through and until January 1, 2024, in such principal amounts, and shall bear interest payable on the Interest Payment Dates, commencing July 1, 2001 in the maturities and at the interest rates set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto.

The principal of, redemption price, if any, and interest on the Obligations shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America on the Interest Payment Dates, beginning July 1, 2001 to the Trustee for the Program. Such payment shall be made by the Governmental Agency from funds on deposit in the Sinking Fund pursuant to the ACH Debit Direct Payment Method (the "ACH Debit Direct Payment Method") as described and detailed in the ACH Debit Direct Payment Authorization Form (the "ACH Authorization Form") attached hereto as Exhibit B. The ACH Authorization Form shall be completed, signed and forwarded to the Trustee prior to the Governmental Agency receiving any of the proceeds of the Loan.

Pursuant to the ACH Debit Direct Payment Method, there shall be transferred to the Trustee on or before the first day of each month, from the Sinking Fund, the amounts hereinafter specified:

- (1) An amount equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the interest becoming due on the Obligations on the next succeeding interest due date [provided that for the first seven payments one-seventh (1/7) of the interest due on the Obligations on the next succeeding interest due date], and subject to a credit for the amount on deposit in the Sinking Fund transferred thereto on the date of issue of the Obligations; plus
- (2) An amount equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal amount of all Obligations

maturing on the next succeeding January 1 [provided that for the first seven payments one-seventh (1/7) of the principal due on the Obligations on January 1, 2002].

In addition, in the event the Issuer is required to withdraw moneys from the Program Reserve Fund established pursuant to the Indenture to pay the principal of and interest on the Obligations and any other payments due under this Assistance Agreement on behalf of the Governmental Agency (the "Reserve Withdrawal"), the Governmental Agency shall pay to the Trustee, in each month, pursuant to the ACH Debit Direct Payment Method an amount equal to at least 1/12 of the Reserve Withdrawal, plus accrued interest thereon at the rate equal to the highest rate of interest paid by the investments making up the Program Reserve Fund until such Reserve Withdrawal has been replenished.

Section 4. Redemption. (a) Optional Redemption. Subject to the prior written approval of the Compliance Group, Obligations maturing on or after January 1, 2012, are subject to redemption, in whole or in part, at any time, by the Governmental Agency prior to their stated maturities, on any date falling on or after January 1, 2011, upon payment of the principal amount to be redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on the dates, subject to redemption premium stated as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed, as follows:

Redemption Dates (Inclusive)	Redemption <u>Price</u>
January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011	102%
January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012	101%
January 1, 2013 and thereafter	100%

In the event that the Governmental Agency desires to optionally redeem a portion of its Obligations, such redemption shall be in a denomination equal to \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

(b) Notice of Redemption. The Governmental Agency shall give the Issuer and the Trustee notice of any redemption by sending at least one such notice by first class United States mail not less than 45 and not more than 90 days prior to the date fixed for redemption.

All of said Obligations as to which the Governmental Agency reserves and exercises the right of redemption and as to which notice as aforesaid shall have been given, and for the retirement of which, upon the terms aforesaid, funds are duly provided, will cease to bear interest on the redemption date.

Section 5. Obligations Payable Out of Revenues on a Parity with Prior Bonds. All of the Obligations and Prior Bonds, together with the interest thereon and such additional bonds ranking on a parity therewith heretofore issued and outstanding and that may be hereafter issued and outstanding from time to time under the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth, shall be payable out of the Prior Sinking Fund, as heretofore created in the Prior Bond Legislation and as hereinafter more specifically provided and shall be a valid claim of the holder thereof only against said fund and the fixed portion or amount of the income and revenues of the System of said Governmental Agency pledged to said fund.

Section 6. Compliance with Parity Coverage Requirements of the Prior Bond Legislation. It is hereby declared that in accordance with the provisions of the Prior Bond Legislation, and prior to the issuance of any of the Obligations hereby authorized, there will be procured and filed with the Governmental Agency Clerk of said Governmental Agency any and all statements or certifications for the purpose of having both principal and interest on the Prior Bonds and the Obligations hereby authorized payable on a parity from the income and revenues of said System with said outstanding Prior Bonds.

Section 7. Flow of Funds. All proceedings preliminary to and in connection with the issuance of the Prior Bonds, whereby provision was made for the receipt, custody, and application of the proceeds of the Prior Bonds; for the operation of said System on a revenue-producing basis; for the segregation, allocation, and custody of the revenues derived from the operation of the System; and for the enforcement and payment of the Prior Bonds; and all other covenants for the benefit of the bondholders set out in the Prior Bond Legislation, are hereby ratified and confirmed and shall continue in force and inure to the security and benefit of the Bonds, the same as if such provisions and proceedings were repeated in full herein; provided, further, that, hereafter, the income and revenues of the System shall be collected, segregated, accounted for, and distributed as follows:

A. Revenue Fund. The Governmental Agency covenants and agrees that it will continue to deposit in the Revenue Fund, promptly as received from time to time, all revenues of the System, as same may be extended and improved from time to time. The moneys in the Revenue Fund shall continue to be used, disbursed and applied by the Governmental Agency only for the purpose and in the manner and order of priorities specified in the Prior Bond Legislation, as hereinafter modified by this Assistance Agreement, all as permitted by the Act, and in accordance with previous contractual commitments.

B. Prior Sinking Fund. It is hereby recognized that the Governmental Agency is obligated upon the issuance of the Obligations to provide for additional debt service requirements of the Obligations.

There shall be transferred from the Revenue Fund and deposited into the Prior Sinking Fund on or before the 20th day of each month, for payment of interest on and principal of the Outstanding Bonds, including the Obligations, a sum equal to the total of the following:

- An amount equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the next succeeding six-month interest payment to become due on the Outstanding Bonds, plus
- (2) A sum equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal of any Outstanding Bonds maturing on the next succeeding principal payment date.

If the Governmental Agency for any reason shall fail to make any monthly deposit as required, then an amount equal to the deficiency shall be set apart and deposited into the Prior Sinking Fund out of the first available revenues in the ensuing months, which amount shall be in addition to the monthly deposit otherwise required during such succeeding months. Whenever there shall accumulate in the Prior Sinking Fund amounts in excess of the requirements during the next twelve months for paying the principal of and interest due on the Outstanding Bonds, as same fall due, such excess may be used for redemption or prepayment of any Outstanding Bonds, subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein, prior to maturity.

C. Depreciation Fund. Pursuant to the provisions of the Prior Bond Legislation, there shall next be transferred from the Revenue Fund a sum sufficient, each month, to maintain a balance in said Depreciation Fund of at least the sum required by the Prior Bond Legislation, which shall be deposited into the Depreciation Fund.

Moneys in the Depreciation Fund may be withdrawn and used by the Governmental Agency, upon appropriate certification of the Governing Body, in accordance with the provisions of the Prior Bond Legislation, for the purpose of paying the cost of unusual or extraordinary maintenance, repairs, renewals and replacements not included in the annual budget of current expenses and/or of paying the costs of constructing future extensions, additions and improvements to the System which will either enhance its revenue-producing capacity or will provide a higher degree of service, and when necessary, for the purpose of making payments of principal and interest on the Bonds if the amount on deposit in the Sinking Fund is not sufficient to make such payments.

D. Operation and Maintenance Fund. There shall next be transferred monthly from the Revenue Fund and deposited into said Operation and Maintenance Fund, sums sufficient to meet the current expenses of operating and maintaining the System. The balance maintained in said Operation and Maintenance Fund shall not be in excess of the amount required to cover anticipated System expenditures for a two-month period pursuant to the Governmental Agency's annual budget.

E. Surplus Funds. Subject to the provisions for the disposition of the income and revenues of the System as set forth hereinabove, which provisions are cumulative, and after paying or providing for the payment of debt service on any subordinate obligations, there shall be transferred, within sixty days after the end of each fiscal year, the balance of excess funds in the Revenue Fund on such date, to the Depreciation Fund for application in accordance with the terms of this Assistance Agreement or to the Prior Sinking Fund to be applied to the maximum extent feasible, to the prompt purchase or redemption of Outstanding Bonds.

Provided, however, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Prior Bond Legislation, the Governmental Agency shall be allowed a credit to the extent of moneys on deposit in the Program Reserve Fund for the purpose of meeting any parity requirements in any Prior Bond Legislation; subject however, to the limitation that moneys in the Program Reserve Fund may only be used to make payments of the Government Agency due under this Assistance Agreement, if necessary, and; provided further, that the Trustee may not seek payment for any reserve funds held by the Governmental Agency under any Prior Bond Legislation for payment of any amounts due from the Governmental Agency under this Assistance Agreement.

Section 8. Disposition of Proceeds of the Loan; Governmental Agency Account. Upon (i) the execution of this Assistance Agreement, (ii) the deliverance of this Assistance Agreement to the Trustee, (iii) certification of the Compliance Group that the Loan is to be accepted in the Program and (iv) upon receipt by the Governmental Agency of the proceeds of the Obligations, the proceeds shall be applied as follows:

(a) Disposition of the Proceeds. There shall first be deducted and paid from the proceeds of the Obligations the fees and costs incurred by the Governmental Agency and any other pertinent expenses incident to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Obligations and such other appropriate expenses as may be approved by the Governmental Agency Chief Executive, including but not limited to the Governmental Agency's pro rata share of the Program's fees and expenses.

The balance shall be deposited to the Governmental Agency Account to be used to construct the Project.

(b) Governmental Agency Account. It is hereby acknowledged that a fund entitled "Meade County Water District Governmental Agency Account" (the "Governmental Agency Account") has been created and maintained by the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture; and the amount on deposit in said Governmental Agency Account shall be applied to the extent necessary, to pay the cost of additions and improvements to and the construction of the Project.

Investment income derived from investment of the Governmental Agency Account, which shall be invested in Permitted Investments in accordance with this Assistance Agreement, shall, as received, be deposited in the Governmental Agency Account.

The Trustee shall be obligated to send written notice to the Governmental Agency of the need for investment directions if and whenever funds in excess of \$50,000 shall remain uninvested for a period of more than five days. In the absence of written direction from the Governmental Agency with respect to investment of moneys held in the Governmental Agency Account, the Trustee is hereby directed to invest funds in money market mutual funds of the Trustee or its affiliates that qualify as Permitted Investments under this Assistance Agreement.

Payment from the Governmental Agency Account for costs in connection with the Project shall be made only upon a Requisition Certificate delivered to the Trustee which has been approved by the Engineers having charge of supervising such acquisition, improvement and construction, and countersigned by the Governmental Agency Chief Executive, said Engineers to certify in each instance that the Requisition Certificate represents a sum actually earned by and due to the proposed payee under a contract with said Governmental Agency for work performed and/or materials furnished in connection with the Project, or represents a sum necessary to be expended for land and/or rights of way necessary to be acquired by the Governmental Agency in connection with said Project.

No expenditure shall be made from the Governmental Agency Account except for proper and authorized expenses relating to the acquisition, improvement and construction of the Project in accordance with the contracts, plans and specifications approved by the Governmental Agency.

After completion of the Project, as certified by the Engineers, any balance then remaining on deposit in the Governmental Agency Account shall, subject to any and all applicable legal provisions and applicable arbitrage regulations necessary to assure the exemption of interest on the Obligations from Federal income taxation, upon orders of the Governing Body, be transferred to the Prior Sinking Fund, to be used for the purposes thereof.

Section 9. Arbitrage Limitations. (1) The Governmental Agency covenants that neither the proceeds of the Obligations, nor "Non-Exempt Revenues" of the System, as defined below, will be invested in investments which will produce a net adjusted yield in excess of the net interest cost (effective yield) of the Obligations, if such investment would cause such Obligations to be treated as "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and the applicable regulations thereunder; provided, however, that such proceeds and/or revenues may be invested to whatever extent and whenever the Code and/or applicable regulations permit same to be invested without causing the Obligations to be treated as "arbitrage bonds."

(2) "Non-Exempt Revenues" within the meaning of the foregoing shall be deemed to refer to revenues of the System deposited in any of the funds earmarked for or reasonably expected to be used for the payment of debt service on the Obligations, in excess of "Exempt Revenues," which Exempt Revenues are:

- amounts deposited in the Prior Sinking Fund for the purpose of paying debt service on any Obligations against the System within thirteen (13) months from the date of deposit; and
- (b) amounts deposited in the Depreciation Fund or any similar reserve for replacements, reasonably expected to be used for extensions, additions, improvements or replacements to the System, and not reasonably expected to be used to pay debt service (even if pledged to be used to pay debt service in the event of the unexpected inadequacy of other funds pledged for that purpose).

(3) If, and to the extent that any Non-Exempt Revenues are on deposit and are available for investment by reason of the foregoing, such funds shall be subject to the investment limitations set out in Section 9(1) above.

On the basis of information furnished to the Governmental Agency, on known facts, circumstances and reasonable expectations on the date of enactment of this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency certifies as follows:

- (a) That it is not expected or contemplated that the proceeds of the Obligations will be used or invested in any manner which will cause any of the Obligations to be treated as "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code and the applicable regulations thereunder.
- (b) That it is not expected or contemplated that the Governmental Agency will make any use of the proceeds of the Obligations, which, if such use had been reasonably anticipated on the date of issuance of the Obligations, would have caused the Obligations to be arbitrage bonds.

- (c) That it is expected and contemplated that the Governmental Agency will comply with (i) all of the requirements of Section 148 of the Code; and (ii) all of the requirements of the applicable regulations thereunder, to whatever extent is necessary to assure that the Obligations will not be treated as arbitrage bonds.
- (d) That it is anticipated that amounts on deposit in the Prior Sinking Fund will be used within 13 months from the date of deposit for the payment of debt service on the outstanding Obligations and all Prior Bonds payable from said Prior Sinking Fund.
- (e) That amounts accumulated in the Prior Sinking Fund shall not exceed the limitations set forth in this Assistance Agreement.
- (f) That it is not reasonably anticipated that amounts accumulated in the Depreciation Fund will be used for payment of debt service on any bonds payable from the revenues of the System, even though such Depreciation Fund will be so available if necessary to prevent a default in the payment of principal and interest on such bonds.

Prior to or at the time of delivery of the Obligations, the Governmental Agency Chief Executive and/or the Governmental Agency Treasurer are authorized to execute the appropriate certification with reference to the matters referred to above, setting out all known and contemplated facts concerning such anticipated investment of the proceeds of the Obligations, including the execution of necessary and/or desirable certifications of the type contemplated by the Code and applicable regulations, as amended, in order to assure that interest on the Obligations will be exempt from all federal income taxes and that the Obligations will not constitute or be treated as arbitrage bonds.

Section 10. Parity Bonds. The Obligations shall not be entitled to priority one over the other in the application of the income and revenues of the System, regardless of the time or times of their issuance, it being the intention that there shall be no priority among the Obligations, regardless of the fact they may be actually issued and delivered at different times, and provided further that the lien and security of and for any bonds or obligations hereafter issued that are payable from the income and revenues of the System, shall, except as set out herein, be subject to the priority of the Prior Bonds and the Obligations as may from time to time be outstanding; provided the Governmental Agency has in said Prior Bond Legislation reserved the right and privilege, and does hereby reserve the right and privilege, of issuing additional bonds from time to time payable from the income and revenues of the System ranking on a parity with the Prior Bonds and with the Obligations, but only under the conditions specified in the Prior Bond Legislation, which conditions are hereinafter repeated, taking into account the issuance of the Obligations.

The Governmental Agency reserves the right to finance future extensions, additions, and/or improvements to the System by the issuance of one or more additional series of bonds to be secured by a parity lien on and ratably payable from, the revenues of the System pledged to the Prior Bonds and the Obligations, provided; (a) The facility or facilities to be constructed from the proceeds of the additional parity bonds is or are made a part of the System and its or their revenues are pledged as additional security for the additional parity bonds and the outstanding Prior Bonds and Obligations.

(b) The Governmental Agency is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of the bonds then outstanding and payable from the revenues of the System or any part thereof.

(c) The annual net revenues (defined as gross revenues less operation and maintenance expenses) of the then existing System for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such parity bonds are to be issued, adjusted as hereinafter provided, shall equal certified by an independent Certified Public Accountant to be equal to at least 120% of the average annual debt service requirements for principal of and interest on all Outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, plus the anticipated requirements of any Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued. The calculation of average annual debt service requirements of principal and interest on the additional Parity Bonds to be issued shall, regardless of whether such Parity Bonds are to be serial or term bonds, be determined on the basis of the principal of and interest on such Parity Bonds being payable in approximately equal annual installments.

(d) The "annual net revenues" referred to above may be adjusted for the purpose of the foregoing computations to reflect:

(i) any revision in the schedule of rates or charges being imposed at the time of the issuance of any such additional Parity Bonds, and

(ii) any increase in the "annual net revenues" to be realized, from the proposed extensions, additions, and/or improvements being financed (in whole or in part) by such additional Parity Bonds; provided all such adjustments shall be based upon and included in a certification of a Certified Public Accountant.

(e) Reference is made to the necessity of obtaining the written consent of the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development or its successor [the "RD"] for the issuance of future bonds encumbering the System while the RD holds any bonds payable from the revenues of the System.

The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees that in the event any additional Parity Bonds are issued, the Governmental Agency shall:

(1) Adjust the monthly amount to be deposited into the Prior Sinking Fund on the same basis as that prescribed in the provisions establishing such Prior Sinking Fund, to reflect the annual debt service requirements of the additional Parity Bonds; and

(2) Adjust the minimum annual amount to be deposited monthly into the Prior Sinking Fund on the same basis as that prescribed in the provisions establishing such Prior Sinking Fund, taking into account the future debt service requirements of all first lien bonds which will then be outstanding against the System. The Governmental Agency reserves the right to issue parity bonds to refund or refinance any part or all of the Prior Bonds and the Obligations, provided that prior to the issuance of such additional parity bonds for that purpose, there shall have been procured and filed with the Governmental Agency Clerk of the Governmental Agency a statement by a Certified Public Accountant, as defined herein, reciting the opinion based upon necessary investigation that:

(a) after the issuance of such parity bonds, the annual net revenues, as adjusted and defined above, of the then existing system for the fiscal year preceding the date of issuance of such Parity Bonds, after taking into account the revised debt service requirements resulting from the issuance of such Parity Bonds and from the elimination of the Bonds being refunded or refinanced thereby, are equal to not less than 120% of the average annual debt service requirements then scheduled to fall due in any fiscal year thereafter for principal of and interest on all of the then outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, calculated in the manner specified above; or

(b) in the alternative, that the average annual debt service requirements for the Prior Bonds, the Obligations, any previously issued Parity Bonds and the proposed refunding Parity Bonds, in any year of maturities thereof after the redemption of the Bonds scheduled to be refunded through the issuance of such proposed refunding Parity Bonds, shall not exceed the average annual debt service requirements applicable to the then outstanding Prior Bonds, the Obligations and any previously issued Parity Bonds for any year prior to the issuance of such proposed Parity Bonds and the redemption of the Bonds to be refunded.

Section 11. Rates and Charges for Services of the System. While any Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, the rates for all services of the System rendered by the Governmental Agency to its citizens, corporations, or others requiring the same, shall be reasonable and just, taking into account and consideration the cost and value of said System, the cost of maintaining and operating the same, the proper and necessary allowances for depreciation thereof, and the amounts necessary for the retirement of the outstanding Bonds and the accruing interest on all such Bonds as may be outstanding under the provisions of this Assistance Agreement and the Prior Bond Legislation, and there shall be charged such rates and amounts as shall be adequate to meet all requirements of the provisions of this Assistance Agreement. Prior to the issuance of the Obligations a schedule of rates and charges for the services rendered by the System to all users adequate to meet all requirements of this Assistance Agreement has been established and adopted.

The Governmental Agency covenants that it will not reduce the rates and charges for the services rendered by the System without first filing with the Governmental Agency Clerk a certification of an Independent Consulting Engineer or a Certified Public Accountant that the annual net revenues (defined as gross revenues less operation and maintenance expenses) of the then existing System for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such reduction is proposed, as such annual net revenues are adjusted, after taking into account the projected reduction in annual net revenues anticipated to result from any such proposed rate decrease, are equal to not less than 120% of the average annual debt service requirements for principal and interest on all of the then outstanding bonds payable from the revenues of the System, calculated in the manner specified in Section 10 hereof.

The Governmental Agency also covenants to cause a report to be filed with the Governing Body within four months after the end of each fiscal year by a Certified Public Accountant, setting forth the precise debt service coverage percentage of the average annual debt service requirements falling due in any fiscal year thereafter for principal of and interest on all of the then Outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, produced or provided by the net revenues of the System in that fiscal year, calculated in the manner specified in Section 10 hereof; and the Governmental Agency covenants that if and whenever such report so filed shall establish that such coverage of net revenues for such year was less than 120% of the average annual debt service requirements, the Governmental Agency shall increase the rates by an amount sufficient, in the opinion of such Certified Public Accountant, to establish the existence of or immediate projection of, such minimum 120% coverage.

Section 12. All Obligations of this Issue Are Equal. The Obligations authorized and permitted to be issued hereunder, and from time to time outstanding, shall not be entitled to priority one over the other in the application of the income and revenues of the System regardless of the time or times of their issuance, it being the intention that there shall be no priority among the Obligations, the Prior Bonds and any Parity Bonds authorized or permitted to be issued under the provisions of this Assistance Agreement, regardless of the fact that they may be actually issued and delivered at different times.

Section 13. Defeasance and/or Refunding of Obligations. The Governmental Agency reserves the right, at any time, to cause the pledge of the revenues securing the outstanding Obligations to be defeased and released by paying an amount into an escrow fund sufficient, when invested (or sufficient without such investment, as the case may be) in direct obligations of or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, including book entry obligations and trust receipts representing an ownership in direct obligations of the United States of America, to assure the availability in such escrow fund of an adequate amount (a) to call for redemption and to redeem and retire all of such outstanding Obligations, both as to principal and as to interest, on the next or any optional redemption date, including all costs and expenses in connection therewith, and to pay all principal and interest falling due on the outstanding Obligations to and on said date, or (b) to pay all principal and interest requirements on the outstanding Obligations as same mature, without redemption in advance of maturity, the determination of whether to defease under (a) or (b) or both to be made by the Governing Body. Such Permitted Investments shall have such maturities as to assure that there will be sufficient funds for such purpose. If such defeasance is to be accomplished pursuant to (a), the Governmental Agency shall take all steps necessary to publish the required notice of the redemption of the outstanding Obligations and the applicable redemption date. Upon the proper amount of such investments being placed in escrow and so secured, such revenue pledge shall be automatically fully defeased and released without any further action being necessary.

Section 14. Contractual Nature of Assistance Agreement. The provisions of this Assistance Agreement shall constitute a contract between the Governmental Agency and the Issuer; and after the issuance of any of such Obligations, no change, variation or alteration of any kind in the provisions of this Assistance Agreement, nor of the Prior Bond Legislation, shall be made in any manner except as herein or therein provided until such time as all of the Bonds authorized thereby and the interest thereon have been paid or provided for in full, or as otherwise provided herein; provided (a) that the Governing Body may enact legislation for any other purpose not inconsistent with the terms of this Assistance Agreement, and which shall not impair the security of the Issuer and/or for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective or inconsistent provisions contained herein or in any ordinance or other proceedings pertaining hereto.

Section 15. Appointment and Duties of Trustee. The Trustee is hereby designated as the bond registrar and paying agent with respect to the Obligations.

Its duties as Trustee shall be as follows:

(1) To register all of the Obligations in the names of the Issuer;

(2) To cancel and destroy (or remit to the Governmental Agency for destruction, if so requested by the Governmental Agency) all exchanged, matured, retired and redeemed Obligations, and to maintain adequate records relevant thereto;

(3) To remit, but only to the extent that all required funds are made available to the Trustee by the Governmental Agency, semiannual interest payments directly to the Issuer's accounts for the Program;

(4) To notify the Issuer of any Obligations to be redeemed and to redeem Obligations prior to their stated maturity upon receiving sufficient funds; and

(5) To supply the Governmental Agency with a written accounting evidencing the payment of interest on and principal of the Obligations within thirty (30) days following each respective due date.

The Trustee shall be entitled to the advice of counsel and shall be protected for any acts taken by it in good faith in reliance upon such advice. The Trustee shall not be liable for any actions taken in good faith and believed by it to be within its discretion or the power conferred upon it by this Assistance Agreement, or the responsibility for the consequences of any oversight or error in judgment.

The Trustee may at any time resign from its duties set forth in this Assistance Agreement by filing its resignation with the Governmental Agency Clerk and notifying the Issuer. Thereupon, the Issuer shall notify the Governmental Agency of a successor Trustee which shall be an incorporated bank or trust company authorized to transact business in the United States of America. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of the resignation of the Trustee, provision shall be made for the orderly transition of the books, records and accounts relating to the Obligations to the successor Trustee in order that there will be no delinquencies in the payment of interest or principal due on the Obligations.

Section 16. Provisions in Conflict Repealed. All ordinances, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed; and it is hereby specifically ordered and provided that any proceedings heretofore taken for the issuance of other bonds payable or secured in any manner by all or any part of the income and revenues of the System, or any part thereof, and which have not heretofore been issued and delivered, are hereby revoked and rescinded, and none of such other bonds shall be issued and delivered.

Section 17. Covenant of Governmental Agency to Take All Action Necessary to Assure Compliance with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. In order to assure purchasers of the Obligations that interest thereon will continue to be exempt from federal and Kentucky income taxation (subject to certain exceptions set out below), the Governmental Agency covenants to and with the Issuer that (1) the Governmental Agency will take all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code, (2) the Governmental Agency will take no actions which will violate any of the provisions of the Code, or would cause the Obligations to become "private activity bonds" within the meaning of the Code, (3) none of the proceeds of the Obligations will be used for any purpose which would cause the interest on the Obligations to become subject to federal income taxation, and the Governmental Agency with any and all requirements as to rebate (and reports with reference thereto) to the United States of America of certain investment earnings on the proceeds of the Obligations.

The Governmental Agency reserves the right to amend this Assistance Agreement but only with the consent of the Issuer (i) to whatever extent shall, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, be deemed necessary to assure that interest on the Obligations shall be exempt from federal income taxation, and (ii) to whatever extent shall be permissible (without jeopardizing such tax exemption or the security of such owners) to eliminate or reduce any restrictions concerning the investment of the proceeds of these Obligations, or the application of such proceeds or of the revenues of the System. The purchasers of these Obligations are deemed to have relied fully upon these covenants and undertakings on the part of the Governmental Agency as part of the consideration for the purchase of the Obligations. To the extent that the Governmental Agency obtains an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that non-compliance with any of the covenants contained in this Assistance Agreement or referred to in this Assistance Agreement would not subject interest on the Obligations to federal income taxes or Kentucky income taxes, the Governmental Agency shall not be required to comply with such covenants or requirements.

This Assistance Agreement is enacted in contemplation that Bond Counsel will render an opinion as to exemption of principal of the Obligations from Kentucky ad valorem taxation and as to exemption of interest on the Obligations from federal and Kentucky income taxation, based on the assumption by Bond Counsel that the Governmental Agency complies with covenants made by the Governmental Agency with respect to compliance with the provisions of the Code, and based on the assumption of compliance by the Governmental Agency with requirements as to any required rebate (and reports with reference thereto) to the United States of America of certain investment earnings on the proceeds of the Obligations. The Governmental Agency has been advised that based on the foregoing assumptions of compliance, Bond Counsel is of the opinion that the Obligations are not "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code.

Section 18. Insurance. (a) Fire and Extended Coverage. If and to the extent that the System includes structures above ground level, the Governmental Agency shall, upon receipt of the proceeds of the sale of the Obligations, if such insurance is not already in force, procure fire and extended coverage insurance on the insurable portion of all of the facilities of the System, of a kind

and in such amounts as would ordinarily be carried by private companies or public bodies engaged in operating a similar utility.

The foregoing fire and extended coverage insurance shall be maintained so long as any of the Obligations are outstanding and shall be in amounts sufficient to provide for not less than full recovery whenever a loss from perils insured against does not exceed eighty percent (80%) of the full insurable value of the damaged facility.

In the event of any damage to or destruction of any part of the System the Governmental Agency shall promptly arrange for the application of the insurance proceeds for the repair or reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed portion thereof.

(b) Liability Insurance on Facilities. So long as any of the Obligations are outstanding, the Governmental Agency shall, procure and maintain, public liability insurance relating to the operation of the facilities of the System, with limits of not less than \$200,000 for one person and \$1,000,000 for more than one person involved in one accident, to protect the Governmental Agency from claims for bodily injury and/or death; and not less than \$200,000 from claims for damage to property of others which may arise from the Governmental Agency's operations of the System and any other facilities constituting a portion of the System.

(c) Vehicle Liability Insurance. If and to the extent that the Governmental Agency owns or operates vehicles in the operation of the System, upon receipt of the proceeds of the Obligations, the Governmental Agency shall, if such insurance is not already in force, procure and maintain, so long as any of the Obligations are outstanding, vehicular public liability insurance with limits of not less than \$200,000 for one person and \$1,000,000 for more then one person involved in one accident, to protect the Governmental Agency from claims for bodily injury and/or death, and not less than \$200,000 against claims for damage to property of others which may arise from the operation of such vehicles by the Governmental Agency.

Section 19. Event of Default; Remedies. The following items shall constitute an "Event of Default" on the part of the Governmental Agency:

(a) The failure to pay principal on the Obligations when due and payable, either at maturity or by proceedings for redemption.

(b) The failure to pay any installment of interest on the Obligations when the same shall become due and payable.

(c) The failure of the Governmental Agency to fulfill any of its obligations pursuant to this Assistance Agreement and to cure any such failure within 30 days after receipt of written notice of such failure.

(d) The failure to promptly repair, replace or reconstruct essential facilities of the System after any major damage and/or destruction thereof. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Issuer or the Trustee on its behalf, as owner of the Obligations, may enforce and compel the performance of all duties and obligations of the Governmental Agency as set forth herein. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, then, upon the filing of suit by the Trustee or the Issuer, any court having jurisdiction of the action may appoint a receiver to administer the System on behalf of the Governmental Agency, with power to charge and collect rates sufficient to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Obligations, and for the payment of operation and maintenance expenses of the System, and to provide and apply the income and revenues in conformity with this Assistance Agreement and with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

In addition to and apart from the foregoing, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the owner of any of the Obligations may require the Governmental Agency by demand, court order, injunction, or otherwise, to raise all applicable rates charged for services of the System a reasonable amount, consistent with the requirements of this Assistance Agreement.

Section 20. Annual Reports. The Governmental Agency hereby agrees to provide or cause to be provided to the Issuer and the Compliance Group audited financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (commencing with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001) and such other financial information and/or operating data as requested by the Issuer or the Compliance Group.

The annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements, will be made available on or before 120 days after the end of each fiscal year (December 31).

Section 21. Supplemental Assistance Agreement. The Governmental Agency may, but only with the consent of the Issuer, execute one or more supplemental Assistance Agreements as shall not be inconsistent with the terms and provisions hereof for any one or more of the following purposes:

- (a) to cure any ambiguity or formal defect or omission in this Assistance Agreement;
- to subject to the lien and pledge of this Assistance Agreement additional revenues, properties, or collateral which may legally be subjected;
- to add to the conditions, limitations and restrictions on the issuance of bonds, other conditions, limitations and restrictions thereafter to be observed;
- (d) to add to the covenants and agreements of the Governmental Agency in this Assistance Agreement, other covenants and agreements thereafter to be incurred by the Governmental Agency or to surrender any right or power herein reserved to or conferred upon the Governmental Agency;
- to effect the issuance of additional Parity Bonds; and/or

(f) to modify the terms and conditions of this Assistance Agreement at the request of the Issuer in order to assist the Issuer in operating the Program or to maintain any rating the Issuer may have on its Program obligations.

Section 22. No Remedy Exclusive. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Issuer is intended to be exclusive, and every such remedy will be cumulative and will be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder and every remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default will impair any such right or power and any such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

Section 23. Waivers. In the event that any agreement contained herein should be breached by either party and thereafter waived by the other party, such waiver will be limited to the particular breach so waived and will not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.

Section 24. Agreement to Pay Attorneys' Fees and Expenses. In the event that either party hereto shall become in default under any of the provisions hereof and the non-defaulting party employs attorneys or incurs other expenses for the enforcement of performance or observance of any obligation or agreement on the part of the defaulting party herein contained, the defaulting party agrees that it will pay on demand therefore to the non-defaulting party the fees of such attorneys and such other expenses so incurred by the non-defaulting party.

Section 25. Signatures of Officers. If any of the officers whose signatures or facsimile signatures appear on this Assistance Agreement or any other document evidencing the Obligations cease to be such officers before delivery of the Obligations, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid for all purposes the same as if such officers had remained in office until delivery, as provided by KRS 58.040 and KRS 61.390.

Section 26. Severability Clause. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Assistance Agreement shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Assistance Agreement. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation has caused this Assistance Agreement to be signed in its name by its President and attested by its Secretary/Treasurer and the Meade County Water District has caused this Assistance Agreement to be signed in corporate name and by its officer thereunder duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

KENTUCKY RURAL WATER FINANCE CORPORATION

By

President

Attest:

Secretary/Treasurer

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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Attest:

atay B. Thompson

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation has caused this Assistance Agreement to be signed in its name by its President and attested by its Secretary/Treasurer and the Meade County Water District has caused this Assistance Agreement to be signed in corporate name and by its officer thereunder duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

> KENTUCKY RURAL WATER FINANCE CORPORATION

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Attest: Secretary/Treasurer

#### MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By

Chairman

Attest:

Secretary

#### **ISSUER ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### COUNTY OF WARREN

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2/2' day of June, 2001 by Paul Lashbrooke who is the President of the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, on behalf of said Corporation.

WITNESS my hand this 27 day of June, 2001.

My Commission expires:

Notary Public, in and for said County and State

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF WARREN

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  $\frac{2}{2}$  day of June, 2001 by Gary Larimore who is the Secretary/Treasurer of the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, on behalf of said Corporation.

WITNESS my hand this day of June, 2001.

My Commission expires:

Notary Public, in and for said County and State

### GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### COUNTY OF MEADE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  $25^{\text{H}}$ day of June, 2001 by <u>JON WHITFIELD</u> and <u>PATSY THOMPSON</u> who are the Chairman and Secretary of the Meade County Water District, on behalf of said District.

WITNESS my hand this <u>25<sup>#</sup></u>day of June, 2001.

My Commission expires: \_

Donna M. Schenck, Notary Public State at Large Kentucky My Commission Expires Mar. 13, 2005

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Notary Public, in and for said County and State

#### ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

This Assistance Agreement made and entered into as of the date set forth on the cover page hereof (the "Assistance Agreement") by and between the KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY, a body corporate and politic, constituting a public corporation and governmental agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Authority") and the Governmental Agency identified on the cover of this Assistance Agreement (the "Governmental Agency"):

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, being the duly and legally constituted legislature of Kentucky at its 1988 Regular Session, enacted House Bill 217 amending Chapter 224A of the Kentucky Revised Statutes (the "Act"), creating the "Kentucky Infrastructure Authority" to serve the public purposes identified in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established its Program as hereinafter defined, for the purpose of providing financial assistance to Governmental Agencies, as defined in the Act, in connection with the acquisition and construction of Projects, as defined in the Act, in order to preserve, protect, upgrade, conserve, develop, utilize and manage the resources of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Commonwealth") for the protection and preservation of the health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the Commonwealth and its citizens, and in that respect to assist and cooperate with Governmental Agencies in achieving such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Program is funded in part, pursuant to the Capitalization Grant Operating Agreement between the Authority and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency dated as of November 1, 1998 (the "Federal Agreement") under which the Authority is responsible for providing certain "match funding" described in the Federal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has issued, and will issue from time to time, its revenue bonds pursuant to a General Trust Indenture dated as of February 1, 2000 (the "Indenture") between the Authority and National City Bank of Kentucky (the "Trustee") in order to provide the "match funding" for the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has determined that it is necessary and desirable to finance the acquisition and construction of the Project, as hereinafter defined, and the Authority has determined that the Project is a Project within the meaning of the Act and the Indenture, thereby qualifying for financial assistance from the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency desires to enter into this Assistance Agreement with the Authority for the purpose of securing from the Authority the repayable Loan hereinafter identified; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is willing to cooperate with the Governmental Agency in making available the Loan pursuant to the Act and the Indenture to be applied to the Project upon the conditions hereinafter enumerated and the covenants by the Governmental Agency herein contained to repay the Loan and the interest thereon from the sources herein provided, all as hereinafter more specifically provided; and WHEREAS, the Authority and the Governmental Agency have determined to enter into this Assistance Agreement pursuant to the terms of the Act and the Indenture and to set forth their respective duties, rights, covenants, and obligations with respect to the acquisition, construction and financing of the Project and the repayment of the Loan and the interest thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL COVENANTS HEREIN SET FORTH, THE LOAN HEREBY EFFECTED AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE RECEIPT OF WHICH IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED BY EACH PARTY, THE PARTIES HERETO MUTUALLY COVENANT AND AGREE, EACH WITH THE OTHER AS FOLLOWS:

### ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS

All of the terms utilized in this Assistance Agreement will have the same definitions and meaning as ascribed to them in the Act and the Indenture, which Act and Indenture are hereby incorporated in this Assistance Agreement by reference, the same as if set forth hereby verbatim; provided, however, that those definitions utilized in the Act and the Indenture having general application are hereby modified in certain instances to apply specifically to the Governmental Agency and its Project.

"Act" shall mean Chapter 224A of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended.

"Administrative Fee" means the charge of the Authority for the servicing of the Loan, which is the annual percentage charged against the unpaid principal balance of the Loan as identified in the Project Specifics.

"Architects" means the firm of consulting architects employed by the Governmental Agency in connection with the Project identified in the Project Specifics.

"Assistance Agreement" shall mean this agreement made and entered into by and between a Governmental Agency and the Authority, as authorized by the Act, providing for a Loan to the Governmental Agency by the Authority, and for the repayment thereof to the Authority by the Governmental Agency.

"Authority" shall mean the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority created by the Act, a body corporate and politic, constituting a public corporation and a governmental agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, or such other designation as may be effected by future amendments to the Act.

"Bond" or "Bonds" or "Revenue Bonds" shall mean any Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Bond or Bonds, or the issue of such Bonds, as the case may be, authenticated and delivered under the Indenture.

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other legal holiday on which the general offices of the Commonwealth are closed.

"Cabinet" means the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet of the Commonwealth.

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and shall include the Regulations of the United States Department of the Treasury promulgated thereunder.

"Commonwealth" shall mean the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Construction" shall mean construction as defined in the Act.

"Debt Obligations" shall mean those outstanding obligations of the Governmental Agency identified in the Project Specifics outstanding as of the date of this Assistance Agreement or issued in the future in accordance with the terms hereof, payable from the income and revenues of the System.

"Drinking Water Supply Project" shall mean the planning, design and construction of drinking water treatment and distribution systems, including expenditures to address Federal Act health goals, or to address situations where compliance standards have been exceeded or to prevent future violations of rules, and may further include drinking water treatment plants, including basins for rapid mix, flocculation, coagulation, filtration, pre-treatment disinfection, and disinfection prior to entry to the distribution system; distribution systems; storage tanks; intake lines and short-term water storage; clearwells; drilled wells and wellhead areas; and any other structure or facility considered necessary by the Natural Resources Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to the efficient and sanitary operation of a public water system and complies with the requirements of the Federal Act.

"Engineers" means the firm of consulting engineers employed by the Governmental Agency in connection with the Project identified in the Project Specifics.

"Federal Act" shall mean the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 1401, et seq.

"Governmental Agency" shall mean any incorporated city or municipal corporation, or other agency or unit of government within the Commonwealth, now having or hereafter granted the authority and power to finance, acquire, construct, and operate infrastructure projects, including specifically but not by way of limitation, incorporated cities, counties, including any counties containing a metropolitan sewer district, sanitation districts, water districts, sewer construction districts, metropolitan sewer districts, sanitation taxing districts, and any other agencies, commissions, districts, or authorities (either acting alone, or in combination with one another pursuant to any regional or area compact, or multi-municipal agreement), now or hereafter established pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth having and possessing such described powers; and for the purposes of this Assistance Agreement shall mean the Governmental Agency identified in the Project Specifics.

"Indenture" shall mean the General Trust Indenture dated as of February 1, 2000 between the Authority and the Trustee.

"Interagency Agreement" means the Memorandum of Understanding dated as of July 1, 1999 between the Authority and the Cabinet, as the same may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Loan" shall mean the loan effected under this Assistance Agreement from the Authority to the Governmental Agency in the principal amount set forth in the Project Specifics, for the purpose of defraying the costs incidental to the Construction of the Project.

"Loan Rate" means the rate of interest identified in the Schedule of Payments.

"Person" shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation or Governmental Agency.

"Program" shall mean the program authorized by KRS 224A.1115 and the Indenture as the "federally assisted drinking water revolving fund" for financing Projects through Loans by the Authority to Governmental Agencies and shall not be deemed to mean or include any other programs of the Authority.

"Project" shall mean, when used generally, a Drinking Water Supply Project, and when used in specific reference to the Governmental Agency, the Project described in the Project Specifics.

"Project Specifics" means those specific details of the Project identified in Exhibit A hereto, all of which are incorporated by reference in this Assistance Agreement.

"Requisition for Funds" means the form attached hereto as Exhibit B to be utilized by the Governmental Agency in obtaining disbursements of the Loan from the Authority as the Construction of the Project progresses.

"Resolution" means the resolution of the Governmental Agency attached hereto as Exhibit D authorizing the execution of this Assistance Agreement.

"Schedule of Payments" means the principal and interest requirements of the Loan as set forth in Exhibit F hereto, to be established and agreed to upon or prior to the completion of the Project.

"Schedule of Service Charges" shall mean those general charges to be imposed by the Governmental Agency for services provided by the System, as set forth in Exhibit C hereto, and such other revenues identified in Exhibit C hereto from which the Loan is to be repaid, which Schedule of Service Charges shall be in full force and effect to the satisfaction of the Authority

"Service Charges" shall mean any monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual charges, surcharges or improvement benefit assessments to be imposed by a Governmental Agency, or by the Authority, in respect of the System, which Service Charges arise by reason of the existence of, and requirement of, any Assistance Agreement and for the purposes of this Assistance Agreement said Service Charges shall be no less than those set forth in the Schedule of Service Charges.

"System" shall mean the water system owned and operated by the Governmental Agency of which the Project shall become a part and from the earnings of which (represented by the Service Charges) the Governmental Agency shall repay the Authority the Loan hereunder.

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### ARTICLE II

#### REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

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Section 2.1. Representations and Warranties of Authority. The Authority represents and warrants for the benefit of the Governmental Agency as follows:

(A) The Authority is a body corporate and politic constituting a governmental agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth, has all necessary power and Authority to enter into, and perform its obligations under, this Assistance Agreement, and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement.

(B) Neither the execution and delivery hereof, nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the terms and conditions hereof, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, conflicts with or results in a breach of the terms, conditions and provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Authority is now a party or by which the Authority is bound, or constitutes a default under any of the foregoing.

(C) To the knowledge of the Authority, there is no litigation or proceeding pending or threatened against the Authority or any other person affecting the right of the Authority to execute or deliver this Assistance Agreement or to comply with its obligations under this Assistance Agreement. Neither the execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement by the Authority, nor compliance by the Authority with its obligations under this Assistance Agreement, require the approval of any regulatory body, or any other entity, which approval has not been obtained.

(D) The authorization, execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement and all actions of the Authority with respect thereto, are in compliance with the Act and the Federal Act and any regulations issued thereunder.

Section 2.2. Representations and Warranties of the Governmental Agency. The Governmental Agency hereby represents and warrants for the benefit of the Authority as follows:

(A) The Governmental Agency is a duly organized and validly existing Governmental Agency, as described in the Act, with full power to own its properties, conduct its affairs, enter into this Assistance Agreement and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

(B) The negotiation, execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby have been duly authorized by all requisite action of the governing body of the Governmental Agency.

(C) This Assistance Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Governmental Agency and is a valid and binding obligation of the Governmental Agency enforceable in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that the enforceability hereof may be limited by equitable principles and by bankruptcy, reorganization, moratorium, insolvency or similar laws heretofore or hereafter enacted relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights or remedies generally. (D) To the knowledge of the Governmental Agency, there is no controversy or litigation of any nature pending or threatened, in any court or before any board, tribunal or administrative body, to challenge in any manner the authority of the Governmental Agency or its governing body to make payments under this Assistance Agreement or to proceed with the Project, or to challenge in any manner the authority of the Governmental Agency or its governing body to take any of the actions which have been taken in the authorization or delivery of this Assistance Agreement or the Construction of the Project, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity of this Assistance Agreement, or in any way questioning any proceedings taken with respect to the authorization or delivery by the Governmental Agency of this Assistance Agreement, or the application of the proceeds thereof or the pledge or application of any monies or security provided therefor, or in any way questioning the due existence or powers of the Governmental Agency, or otherwise wherein an unfavorable decision would have an adverse impact on the transactions authorized in connection with this Assistance Agreement.

(E) The authorization and delivery of this Assistance Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby will not constitute an event of default or violation or breach, nor an event which, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both, would constitute an event of default or violation or breach, under any contract, agreement, instrument, indenture, lease, judicial or administrative order, decree, rule or regulation or other document or law affecting the Governmental Agency or its governing body.

(F) Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u> is a true, accurate and complete copy of the resolution or ordinance of the governing body of the Governmental Agency approving and authorizing the execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement. Such resolution or ordinance was duly enacted or adopted at a meeting of the governing body of the Governmental Agency at which a quorum was present and acting throughout; such resolution or ordinance is in full force and effect and has not been superseded, altered, amended or repealed as of the date hereof; and such meeting was duly called and held in accordance with law.

(G) All actions taken by the Governmental Agency in connection with this Assistance Agreement and the Loan described herein and the Project have been in full compliance with the provisions of the Kentucky Open Meeting Law, KRS 61.805 to 61.850.

(H) The Governmental Agency has all licenses, permits and other governmental approvals (including but not limited to all required approvals of the Kentucky Public Service Commission) required to own, occupy, operate and maintain the Project, to charge and collect the Service Charges and to enter into this Assistance Agreement, is not in violation of and has not received any notice of an alleged violation of any zoning or land use laws applicable to the Project, and has full right, power and authority to perform the acts and things as provided for in this Assistance Agreement.

(I) Legal counsel to the Governmental Agency has duly executed and delivered the opinion of legal counsel substantially in the form set forth in <u>Exhibit E</u> hereto.

(J) The Governmental Agency is in full compliance with all federal and state labor and procurement laws in connection with the planning, design, acquisition and construction of the Project.

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(K) Project is consistent with the water supply plan developed pursuant to 401 KAR 4:220 for the county in which the Governmental Agency is located.

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### **ARTICLE III**

#### AUTHORITY'S AGREEMENT TO MAKE LOAN; TERMS

Section 3.1. Determination of Eligibility. Pursuant to the terms of the Act and the Indenture, the Authority has determined that the Governmental Agency's Project is a Drinking Water Supply Project under the Act and the Governmental Agency is entitled to financial assistance from the Authority in connection with financing the Construction of the Project.

Section 3.2. Principal Amount of Loan Established; Loan Payments; Disbursement of Funds. The principal amount of the Loan shall be the Loan Amount as identified in the Project Specifics, subject to such adjustments as may be set forth in the Schedule of Payments. Principal payments shall be made semiannually in the amounts and on the dates to be established by the Schedule of Payments, which Schedule of Payments shall provide for approximately level debt service payments over the Repayment Term set forth in the Project Specifics, commencing with the Amortization Commencement Date set forth in the Project Specifics.

The Loan shall bear interest, payable semiannually, at the Loan Rate identified in the Project Specifics, and after the Amortization Commencement Date, in the amounts (based on such Loan Rate) and on the dates set forth in the Schedule of Payments; provided that, should an Event of Default occur, such payments of interest shall be made on the first day of each month during the continuation of such Event of Default.

The Authority shall advance the proceeds of the Loan as Construction of the Project progresses upon the submission by the Governmental Agency of a Requisition for Funds in substantially the same form as <u>Exhibit B</u> hereto. Each disbursement under a Requisition for Funds representing a portion of the principal amount of the Loan shall bear interest at the Loan Rate from the date of the disbursement; and shall be subject to the further requirements set forth in Article IV hereof.

Payments of principal and interest on the Loan shall be made at the principal office of the Authority or the Trustee, as designated by the Authority.

Section 3.3. Governmental Agency's Right to Prepay Loan. The Governmental Agency shall have the right to prepay and retire the entire amount of the Loan at any time without penalty upon written notice to the Authority no less than five (5) Business Days in advance of said prepayment.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the determination by the Authority that it intends to issue revenue bonds secured by a pledge of the payments on the Loan, the Authority shall advise the Governmental Agency (i) of its intention to proceed with the authorization of such bonds (ii) of the limitation on prepayments after such bonds are issued and (iii) that the Governmental Agency has thirty (30) days from its receipt of said notice to exercise its option to prepay the Loan. Upon the expiration of said thirty day period the Governmental Agency's right to prepay the Loan shall be limited to the terms described in such notice.

Section 3.4. Subordination of Loan. The Authority hereby agrees that the security interest and source of payment for the Loan shall be inferior and subordinate to the security interest and source of payment for the Debt Obligations of the Governmental Agency payable

from the revenues of the System outstanding at the time this Assistance Agreement is executed as identified in the Project Specifics; provided, however, the Authority shall receive notice of any additional financings in accordance with Section 5.5(D) hereof.

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# ARTICLE IV

# CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO DISBURSEMENT; REQUISITION FOR FUNDS

Section 4.1. Covenants of Governmental Agency and Conditions of Loan. By the execution of this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency agrees that prior to any requests for the disbursement of all or a portion of the Loan made hereunder, the Governmental Agency shall supply the Authority and the Cabinet appropriate documentation, satisfactory to the Authority indicating the following:

(A) That the Authority and the Cabinet and any appropriate regulatory agency of the Commonwealth as may be designated by the Authority or the Cabinet, and their respective duly authorized agents, shall have the right at all reasonable times, subject to prior notice to the Governmental Agency, to examine and inspect the Project.

(B) All real estate and interest in real estate and all personal property constituting the Project and the sites of the Project heretofore or hereafter acquired shall at all times be and remain the property of the Governmental Agency and constitute a part of the System.

(C) In the event the Governmental Agency is required to provide financing for the Project from sources other than the Authority (as described in the Project Specifics) the Authority shall have the right to receive such reasonable proofs as it may require of the ability of the Governmental Agency to finance the costs of the Construction of the Project over and above the Loan, prior to the disbursement by the Authority of any portion of the Loan.

(D) The Governmental Agency shall do all things necessary to acquire all proposed and necessary sites, easements and rights of way necessary or required in respect of the Project and demonstrate its ability to construct the Project in accordance with the plans, design and specifications prepared for the Governmental Agency by the Engineers.

(E) Actual construction and installation incident to the Project shall be performed by either the lump-sum (fixed price) or unit price contract method, and adequate legal methods of obtaining public, competitive bidding will be employed prior to the awarding of the construction contract for the Project in accordance with Kentucky law.

(F) Unless construction of the Project has already been initiated as of the date of this Assistance Agreement, pursuant to due compliance with state law and applicable regulations, the Project will not be advertised or placed on the market for construction bidding by the Governmental Agency until the final plans, designs and specifications therefor have been approved by such state and federal agencies and authorities as may be legally required, and until written notification of such approvals has been received by the Governmental Agency and furnished to the Cabinet.

(G) Duly authorized representatives of the Cabinet and such other agencies of the Commonwealth as may be charged with responsibility will have reasonable access to the construction work whenever it is in preparation or progress, and the Governmental Agency will assure that the contractor or contractors will provide facilities for such access and inspection. (H) The construction contract or contracts shall require the contractor to comply with all provisions of federal and state law legally applicable to such work, and any amendments or modifications thereto, together with all other applicable provisions of law, to cause appropriate provisions to be inserted in subcontracts to insure compliance therewith by all subcontractors subject thereto, and to be responsible for the submission of any statements required of subcontractors thereunder.

(I) A work progress schedule utilizing a method of standard acceptance in the engineering community shall be prepared prior to the institution of construction in connection with each construction contract, or, if construction has already been initiated as of the date of this Assistance Agreement, at the earliest practicable date, to indicate the proposed schedule as to completion of the Project, and same shall be maintained monthly thereafter to indicate the actual construction progress of the Project.

(J) Prior to the award of the construction contract and prior to the commencement of construction, the Governmental Agency will arrange and conduct a conference as to the Project said conference to include representatives of the Authority, the Governmental Agency, the Cabinet and any other participating federal or state agency, the Engineers, and all construction contractors, such conference to be held in accordance with guidelines established by the Authority and the Cabinet. A written brief of said conference summarizing the construction schedule, fund requirements schedule, payment authorizations, responsible parties for approval of all facets of the construction work and payment therefor, and other pertinent matters shall be prepared and distributed to each agency involved, and all construction contractors and Engineers. Provided, however, that in the event construction shall have been initiated as of the date of this Assistance Agreement, this provision may be waived.

(K) All construction contracts will be so prepared that federal participation costs, if any, and state participation costs may be readily segregated from local participation costs, if any, and from each other, and in such manner that all materials and equipment furnished to the Governmental Agency may be readily itemized.

(L) Any change or changes in a construction contract will be promptly submitted to the Cabinet and any state or federal agencies.

(M) The Construction, including the letting of contracts in connection therewith, will conform in all respects to applicable requirements of federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

(N) The Governmental Agency will proceed expeditiously with and complete the Project in accordance with the approved surveys, plans specifications and designs or amendments thereto, prepared by the Engineers for the Governmental Agency and approved by state and federal agencies.

(O) If requested, the Governmental Agency will erect at the Project sites, signs satisfactory to the Authority and the United States Environmental Protection Agency noting the participation of the Authority and the U.S. Government, respectively, in the financing of the Project. (P) Except as otherwise provided in this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency shall have the sole and exclusive charge of all details of the Construction.

(Q) The Governmental Agency shall keep complete and accurate records of the costs of acquiring the Project sites and the costs of Construction. The Governmental Agency shall permit the Authority and the Cabinet, acting by and through their duly authorized representatives, and the duly authorized representatives of state and/or federal agencies to inspect all books, documents, papers and records relating to the Project at any and all reasonable times for the purpose of audit and examination, and the Governmental Agency shall submit to the Authority and the Cabinet such documents and information as such public bodies may reasonably require in connection with the administration of any federal or state assistance.

(R) The Governmental Agency shall require that each construction contractor or contractors furnish a performance and a payment bond in an amount at least equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price or the portion of the Project covered by the particular contract as security for the faithful performance of such contract.

(S) The Governmental Agency shall require that each of its contractors and all subcontractors maintain during the life of the construction contract, worker's compensation insurance, public liability insurance, property damage insurance and vehicle liability insurance in amounts and on terms satisfactory to the Authority. Until the Project facilities are completed and accepted by the Governmental Agency, the contractor shall maintain builders risk insurance (fire and extended coverage) on a one hundred percent (100%) basis (completed value form) on the insurable portion of the Project, such insurance to be made payable to the order of the Authority, the Governmental Agency, the prime contractor, and all subcontractors, as their interests may appear.

(T) The Governmental Agency shall provide and maintain competent and adequate resident engineering services covering the supervision and inspection of the development and construction of the Project, and bearing the responsibility of assuring that Construction conforms to the approved plans, specifications and designs prepared by the Engineers. Such resident engineer shall certify to the Cabinet, any involved state or federal agencies, and the Governmental Agency at the completion of construction that construction is in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs, or, approved amendments thereto.

(U) The Governmental Agency shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Authority the legal capability of the Governmental Agency to enact, adopt, levy, charge, collect, enforce and remit to the Authority and the Cabinet the Service Charges of the Governmental Agency described in the Schedule of Service Charges attached to and made a part of this Assistance Agreement as <u>Exhibit C</u> and submit proof satisfactory to the Authority that the Service Charges are in full force and effect

Section 4.2. Additional Conditions to Disbursement Required Under the Federal Agreement. The Governmental Agency, in order to comply with the terms and conditions of the Federal Agreement, further covenants and further agrees to additional conditions to disbursement, as follows:

(A) Notwithstanding any other agreements contained herein regarding the maintenance of books and records, that it shall maintain Project accounts in accordance with

generally accepted governmental accounting standards, as required by the Federal Agreement. The Governmental Agency shall retain such records for no less than three (3) years following the final payment by the Governmental Agency under this Assistance Agreement or if any portion of the Project is disposed of, until at least three (3) years after such disposition; provided that if any litigation, claim, appeal or audit is commenced prior to the end of such period such records shall be maintained until the completion of such action or until three (3) years after such commencement, whichever is later.

(B) That it has not and will not apply any other federal funding to the Project in a manner that would cause it to receive "double benefits" as described in Section 603 of the Water Quality Act of 1987.

(C) That all property required for the completion of the Project shall be obtained, by easement, purchase or other means acceptable to the Authority, prior to commencement of construction and that the relocation of any Person resulting therefrom be in accordance with 49 CFR24 for Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970.

(D) That all Project contractors shall be required to retain Project records for the periods established for the retention of the Governmental Agency's records in Section 4.2(A).

(E) That no more than fifty percent (50%) of the proceeds of the Loan shall be disbursed until approval by the Cabinet of the final plan for operation for the Project.

(F) That no more than ninety percent (90%) of the proceeds of the Loan shall be disbursed until approval by the Cabinet of the draft operations and maintenance manual.

(G) That final disbursement will not be allowed until approval by the Cabinet of a final operations and maintenance manual.

(H) That, as required by 40 CFR 35.2218, all engineering services regarding construction and regarding the first year of operation of the Project shall be provided for, including the following:

(1) The operation of the Project and the revision of the operations and maintenance manual as necessary to accommodate actual operating experience;

(2) The training of operating personnel, including preparation of curricula and training material for operating personnel; and

(3) Advice as to whether the Project is meeting the Project performance standards (including three quarterly reports and one project performance report).

(I) That it shall advise the Cabinet and the Authority in writing of the date for initiation of operation of the Project.

(J) That one year after operation is initiated, it shall certify to the Cabinet and the Authority that the Project is capable of meeting the Project performance standards. (K) That it shall provide that qualified inspectors are present at the construction site. A summary of such inspector's qualifications and experience shall be submitted to the Cabinet and the Authority.

(L) That it shall notify the Authority and the Cabinet of the completion date of the Project.

(M) That it agrees to the terms and conditions of its application for assistance and the Authority's commitment to provide assistance, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference.

(N) That all measures required to minimize water pollution to affected waters shall be employed in the Project including compliance with Section 404 of PL 92-500, as amended, it being understood that approval of the Project does not constitute sanction or approval of any changes or deviations from established water quality standards, criteria implementation dates, or dates established by enforcement proceedings.

Section 4.3. Disbursements of Loan; Requisition for Funds. The Governmental Agency shall submit to the Authority (or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Authority, if so designated) and the Cabinet a Requisition for Funds prior to the fifth day of each month (or such other designated period as is acceptable to the Authority), in substantially the same form as that attached to this Assistance Agreement as Exhibit B and made a part hereof, accompanied by, to the extent requested by the Authority, the following documentation:

(A) A full and complete accounting of the costs of the planning and design of the Project to be obligated by contract or otherwise during the month in question, or already obligated and not included in any previous accounting;

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(B) A full and complete accounting of any costs of the planning and design of the Project paid by the Governmental Agency from its own funds with the approval of the Authority and not included in any previous accounting for which it seeks reimbursement;

(C) A full and complete accounting of any costs of the planning and design of the Project paid or requisitioned under any other financing, loan, bond, grant or similar agreement or paid from its own funds for which it does not seek reimbursement and which have not been identified in any previous requisition form.

(D) The Contractor's estimate of work performed during the preceding month pursuant to construction contracts for the Project and payment thereunder due, together with the Engineer's and Governmental Agency's approval thereof for disbursement by the Authority.

Upon the Authority's receipt of the Requisition for Funds, and such additional documentation as it may require, and subject to certification by the Cabinet, the Authority may direct the Trustee to remit the amount requested to the Governmental Agency as a draw upon the Loan.

# ARTICLE V

# CERTAIN COVENANTS OF THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY; PAYMENTS TO BE MADE BY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY TO THE AUTHORITY

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Section 5.1. Imposition of Service Charges. The Governmental Agency hereby irrevocably covenants and agrees to comply with all of the terms, conditions and requirements of this Assistance Agreement, pursuant to which the Loan is to be made by the Authority to the Governmental Agency as specified herein and in the Act and the Indenture. The Governmental Agency hereby further irrevocably covenants and agrees that it already has, or will, to the extent necessary, immediately impose Service Charges upon all persons, firms and entities to whom or which services are provided by the System, such Service Charges to be no less than as set forth in Exhibit C annexed hereto. If so required, such Service Charges shall be in addition to all other rates, rentals and service charges of a similar nature of the Governmental Agency now or hereafter authorized by law, and now or hereafter being levied and collected by the Authority all sums received from the Authority as representing the Loan in respect of the Project.

Section 5.2. Governmental Agency's Obligation to Repay Loan. The obligation of the Governmental Agency to repay to the Authority the amount of the Loan from the Service Charges shall not be revocable, and in the event that services supplied by the Project shall cease, or be suspended for any reason, the Governmental Agency shall continue to be obligated to repay the Loan from the Services Charges. In the event the Governmental Agency defaults in the payment of any Service Charges to the Authority, the amount of such default shall bear interest at the per annum rate equal to the Default Rate set forth in the Project Specifics, from the date of the default until the date of the payment thereof.

Section 5.3. Covenant to Adjust Service Charges. In the event, for any reason, the Schedule of Service Charges shall prove to be insufficient to provide to the Authority the minimum sums set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve and to provide for the operation of the System, the Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees that it will, upon notice by the Authority, to the full extent authorized by law, both federal and state, immediately adjust and increase such Schedule of Service Charges, or immediately commence proceedings for a rate adjustment and increase with all applicable regulatory authorities, so as to provide funds sufficient to pay to the Authority the minimum sums set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to provide for the operation of the System as required under this Assistance Agreement and to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve.

Section 5.4. Adequacy of Service Charges. The Service Charges herein covenanted to be imposed by the Governmental Agency shall be fixed at such rate or rates (and it is represented that the Schedule set forth in Exhibit C hereto so qualifies), as shall be at least adequate to make the payments at the times and in the amounts set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve and to provide for the operation of the System, subject to necessary governmental and regulatory approvals.

The Service Charges imposed by the Governmental Agency shall be paid by the users of the System and accordingly the Project not less frequently than the Service Charge Payment period set forth in the Project Specifics, and shall be remitted to the Authority by the Governmental Agency with a report showing collections and any delinquencies. A report of all collections and delinquencies shall be made at least semi-annually on or before each Payment Date identified in the Schedule of Payments.

Section 5.5. Covenant to Establish Maintenance and Replacement Reserve. The Governmental Agency shall establish a special account identified as a "Maintenance and Replacement Reserve". The Governmental Agency shall deposit into the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve an amount equal to the amount set forth in the Project Specifics at the times set forth in the Project Specifics. Amounts in the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve may be used for extraordinary maintenance expenses related to the Project or for the unbudgeted costs of replacing worn or obsolete portions of the Project.

Section 5.6. Covenant to Charge Sufficient Rates; Reports; Inspections. The Governmental Agency hereby irrevocably covenants and agrees with the Authority:

(A) That, as aforesaid, it will at all times impose, prescribed, charge and collect the Service Charges set forth in <u>Exhibit C</u> as shall result in net revenues to the Governmental Agency at least adequate to provide for the payments to the Authority required by this Assistance Agreement, to provide for the operation of the System and to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve.

(B) That it will furnish to the Authority and the Cabinet not less than annually reports of the operations and income and revenues of the System, and will permit authorized agents of the Authority to inspect all records, accounts and data of the System at all reasonable times.

(C) That it will collect, account for and promptly remit to the Authority those specific revenues, funds, income and proceeds derived from Service Charges incident to this Assistance Agreement.

(D) That it will notify the Authority in writing of its intention to issue bonds or notes payable from the revenues of the System not less than thirty (30) days prior to the sale of said obligations. It further covenants that it will not issue any notes, bonds or other obligations payable from the revenues of the System, if the pledge of the revenues of the System to the repayment of such obligations is to rank on a parity with, or superior to, the pledge of the revenues of the System for the repayment of the Loan granted under this Assistance Agreement, unless the Governmental Agency has secured the consent of the Authority not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the issuance of such obligations.

<u>Section 5.7</u>. <u>Segregation of Funds</u>. The Governmental Agency shall at all times account for the income and revenues of the System and distinguish same from all other revenues, moneys and funds of the Governmental Agency, if any.

# ARTICLE VI

### OTHER COVENANTS OF THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY

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Section 6.1. Further Assurance. At any time and all times the Governmental Agency shall, so far as it may be authorized by law, pass, make, do, execute, acknowledge and deliver, all and every such further resolutions, acts, deeds, conveyances, assignments, transfers and assurances as may be necessary or desirable for the better assuring, conveying, granting, assigning and confirming all and singular the rights, assets and revenues herein pledged or assigned, or intended so to be, or which the Governmental Agency may hereafter become bound to pledge or assign.

<u>Section 6.2.</u> <u>Completion of Project</u>. The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees to proceed expeditiously with and promptly complete the Project in accordance with the plans, designs and specifications prepared by the Engineers for the Governmental Agency.

Section 6.3. Establishment of Completion Date. The completion date for the Project shall be evidenced to the Authority by a certificate signed by the Engineer and an authorized representative of the Governmental Agency stating that, except for amounts retained by the Authority for costs of the Project not then due and payable, (i) the Construction has been completed and all labor, services, materials, supplies, machinery and equipment used in such Construction have been paid for, (ii) all other facilities necessary in connection with the Project have been acquired, constructed, equipped and installed and all costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith have been paid, (iii) the Project and all other facilities in connection therewith have been acquired, constructed, equipped and installed to his satisfaction.

Section 6.4. Commitment to Operate. The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees to commence operation of the Project immediately on completion of construction and not to discontinue operations or dispose of such Project without the approval of the Authority.

Section 6.5. Continue to Operate. The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees to continuously operate and maintain the Project in accordance with applicable provisions of federal and state law and to maintain adequate records relating to said operation; said records to be made available to the Authority upon its request at all reasonable times.

Section 6.6. Tax Covenant. In the event the Authority issues Bonds which are intended to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes to provide the funds for the Loan, the Governmental Agency shall at all times do and perform all acts and things permitted by law and necessary or desirable in order to assure such exclusion and shall take such actions as may be directed by the Authority in order to accomplish the foregoing. The Governmental Agency shall not permit (i) the proceeds of the Loan to be used directly or indirectly in any trade or business, (ii) its payments hereunder to be secured directly or indirectly by property to be used in a trade or business, (iii) any management agreement for the operation of the System or (iv) any federal guarantee of its obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Authority. The Governmental Agency will not acquire or pledge any obligations which would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of the Code.

Section 6.7. Accounts and Reports. The Governmental Agency shall at all times keep, or cause to be kept, proper books of record and account in accordance with the "Uniform System of

Accounts" established by the Commonwealth, in which complete and accurate entries shall be made of all its transactions relating to the System and which shall at all reasonable times be subject to the inspection of the Authority.

Section 6.8. Financial Statements. Within ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Governmental Agency, the Governmental Agency shall provide to the Authority, itemized financial statements of income and expense and a balance sheet in reasonable detail, certified as accurate by a firm of independent certified public accountants or the Auditor of Public Accounts of the Commonwealth. All financial information must be satisfactory to the Authority as to form and content and be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles on a basis consistent with prior practice unless specifically noted thereon. With such financial statements, the Governmental Agency shall furnish to the Authority a certificate stating that, to the best knowledge of the authorized representative signing such certificate, no default under this Assistance Agreement exists on the date of such certificate, or if any such default shall then exist, describing such default with specificity.

Section 6.9. General Compliance With All Duties. The Governmental Agency shall faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the Project and the System required by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth, and by the terms and provisions of this Assistance Agreement and any other Debt Obligations.

Section 6.10. General. The Governmental Agency shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all acts and things required to be done or performed by or on behalf of the Governmental Agency under the provisions of the Act, the Federal Act and this Assistance Agreement in accordance with the terms of such provisions including the Additional Covenants and Agreements, if any, set forth in Exhibit G hereto.

Section 6.11. Further Covenants under the Federal Agreement. The Governmental Agency shall comply with all further requirements or conditions which may arise from time to time in order to assure compliance with the Federal Act, and with the agreements of the Authority set forth in the Federal Agreement, including but not limited to the following:

(A) The Governmental Agency shall provide all information requested of it by the Authority or the Cabinet so that (i) the Grants Information Control System, referred to in the Federal Agreement, can be maintained, (ii) the accounting and auditing procedures required by the Federal Act can be maintained and (iii) the Authority can furnish the information required of its under the Federal Agreement.

(B) Qualified operating personnel, properly certified by the Cabinet, shall be retained by the Governmental Agency to operate the Project during the entire term of this Assistance Agreement. An approved plan of operating and an operations and maintenance manual for the Project shall be provided by the Governmental Agency to the Cabinet and the Authority. The Project shall be operated and maintained in an efficient and effective manner.

(C) All residents in the service area of the Project must be offered the same opportunity to become users of the Project regardless of race, creed, color, or level of income. (D) The Governmental Agency shall comply with provisions contained in the following federal regulations, orders, acts and circulars and the following statutes and regulations of the Commonwealth.

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**Environmental Authorities** 

- (a) Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974, Pub. L. 86-523, as amended
- (b) Clean Air Act, Pub. L. 84-159, as amended
- (c) Coastal Barrier Resources Act, Pub. L. 97-348
- (d) Coastal Zone Management Act, Pub. L. 93-583, as amended
- (e) Endangered Species Act, Pub. L. 93-205, as amended
- (f) Environmental Justice, Executive Order 12898
- (g) Floodplain Management, Executive Order 11988 as amended by Executive Order 12148
- (h) Protection of Wetlands, Executive Order 11990
- (i) Farmland Protection Policy Act, Pub. L. 97-98
- (j) Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Pub. L. 85-624, as amended
- (k) National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, PL 89-665, as amended
- (1) Safe Drinking Water Act, Pub. L. 93-523, as amended
- (m) Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Pub. L. 90-542, as amended

Economic and Miscellaneous Authorities

- (a) Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966, Pub. L. 89-754, as amended, Executive Order 12372
- (b) Procurement Prohibitions under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act and Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, including Executive Order 11738, Administration of the Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with Respect to Federal Contracts, Grants, or Loans.
- (c) Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, Pub. L. 91-646, as amended
- (d) Debarment and Suspension, Executive Order 12549

Social Policy Authorities

- (a) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Pub. L. 94-135
- (b) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. 88-352
- (c) Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, Pub. L. 92-500 (the Clean Water Act)
- (d) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Pub. L. 93-112 (including Executive Orders 11914 and 11250)
- (e) Equal Employment Opportunity, Executive Order 11246
- (f) Women's and Minority Business Enterprise, Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432

- (g) Section 129 of the Small Business Administration Reauthorization and Amendment Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-590
- (2) State:

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- (a) KRS 224
- (b) KRS 224A.1115 Federally Assisted Drinking Water Revolving Fund
- (c) KRS Chapter 337, Labor Laws
- (d) 401 KAR Chapter 5

Section 6.12. Continuing Disclosure Obligation. The Governmental Agency covenants and agrees that notwithstanding any other provision of this Assistance Agreement to the contrary, upon written notice from the Authority that the Schedule of Payments provides ten percent (10%) or more of the debt service requirements on an issue of the Authority's Bonds and that compliance by the Governmental Agency with the requirements of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended (the "SEC Rule") is required in connection with the Authority's Bonds, the Governmental Agency shall provide to the Authority such information as may be required by the Rule, within the time periods set out in such notice by the Authority, to enable the Authority to establish to the satisfaction of prospective purchasers of the Authority's Bonds that the requirements of the SEC Rule will be satisfied in connection with the issuance of the Authority's Bonds. The Governmental Agency further understands and agrees that the Authority shall act as the Governmental Agency's disclosure agent for purposes of compliance with the SEC Rule and that upon a failure by the Governmental Agency to provide the information required to be provided under the SEC Rule within the time frame specified in such notice, the Authority and/or the beneficial owners and holders of the Authority's Bonds shall be specifically granted the right of enforcing the provisions of this Section 6.12 by an action in mandamus, for specific performance, or similar remedy to compel performance.

# ARTICLE VII

# MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, INSURANCE AND CONDEMNATION

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Section 7.1. <u>Maintain System</u>. The Governmental Agency agrees that during the entire term of this Assistance Agreement, it will keep the Project, including all appurtenances thereto, and the equipment and machinery therein, in good and sound repair and good operating condition at its own cost so that the completed Project will continue to provide the services for which the System is designed.

Section 7.2. Additions and Improvements. The Governmental Agency shall have the privilege of making additions, modifications and improvements to the sites of the Project, and to the Project itself from time to time provided that said additions, modifications and improvements do not impair the operation or objectives of the Project. The Cost of such additions, modifications and improvements shall be paid by the Governmental Agency, and the same shall be the property of the Governmental Agency and shall be included under the terms of this Assistance Agreement as part of the site of the Project, or the Project, as the case may be. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as precluding the Authority and the Governmental Agency from entering into one or more supplementary Assistance Agreements providing for an additional Loan or Loans in respect of additional Projects undertaken by the Governmental Agency.

Section 7.3. System Not to Be Disposed Of. The Governmental Agency covenants and agrees that, until satisfaction in full of its obligations hereunder, it will not, without the prior written consent of the Authority, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, sell, mortgage, or in any manner dispose of, or surrender control or otherwise dispose of any of the facilities of the System or any part thereof (except that the Governmental Agency may retire obsolete and worn out facilities, and sell same, if appropriate).

Section 7.4. Compliance with State and Federal Standards. The Governmental Agency agrees that it will at all times provide operation and maintenance of the Project to comply with the water quality standards, if any, established by any state or federal agency. The Governmental Agency agrees that qualified operating personnel properly certified by the Commonwealth will be retained to operate the Project during the entire term of this Assistance Agreement.

Section 7.5. Access to Records. The Governmental Agency agrees that it will permit the Authority and any state or federal agency and their respective agents to have access to the records of the Governmental Agency pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the Project at any reasonable time following completion of construction of the Project, and commencement of operations thereof.

Section 7.6. Covenant to Insure - Casualty. The Governmental Agency agrees to insure the Project facilities in such amount as like properties are similarly insured by political subdivisions similarly situated, against loss or damage of the kinds usually insured against by political subdivisions similarly situated, by means of policies issued by reputable insurance companies duly qualified to do such business in the Commonwealth. Section 7.7. Authority as Named Insured. Any insurance policy issued pursuant to Section 7.5 hereof, shall be so written or endorsed as to make losses, if any, payable to the Governmental Agency, and to the Authority, as their interests may appear.

Section 7.8. Covenant to Insure - Liability. The Governmental Agency agrees that it will carry public liability insurance with reference to the Project with one or more reputable insurance companies duly qualified to do business in the Commonwealth, insuring against such risks (including but not limited to personal inquiry, death and property damage) and in such amounts as are set forth in the Project Specifics, and naming the Authority as an additional insured.

Section 7.9. Covenant Regarding Worker's Compensation. Throughout the entire term of this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency shall maintain worker's compensation coverage, or cause the same to be maintained.

Section 7.10. Application of Casualty Insurance Proceeds. If, prior to the completion of the term of this Assistance Agreement, the Project shall be damaged or partially or totally destroyed by fire, windstorm or other casualty, there shall be no abatement or reduction in the amount payable by the Governmental Agency pursuant to the terms of this Assistance Agreement and the Governmental Agency will (1) promptly repair, rebuild or restore the Project damaged or destroyed; and (2) apply for such purpose so much as may be necessary of any net proceeds of insurance resulting from claims for such losses, as well as any additional moneys of the Governmental Agency necessary therefor. All net proceeds of insurance resulting from claims for such losses shall be paid to the Governmental Agency, and shall be promptly applied as herein provided.

Section 7.11. Eminent Domain. In the event that title to, or the temporary use of, the Project, or any part thereof, shall be taken under the exercise of the power of eminent domain by any governmental body or by any Person acting under governmental authority, there shall be no abatement or reduction in the minimum amounts payable by the Governmental Agency to the Authority pursuant to the terms of this Assistance Agreement, and any and all net proceeds received from any award made in such eminent domain proceedings shall be paid to and held by the Governmental Agency in a separate condemnation award account and shall be applied by the Governmental Agency in either or both of the following ways, as shall be determined by the Governmental Agency in its sole discretion:

(A) The restoration of the improvements located on the Project sites to substantially the same condition as prior to the exercise of said power of eminent domain; or

(B) The acquisition of additional property, if necessary, and the acquisition of additional facilities by construction or otherwise, equivalent to the Project facilities, which property and facilities shall be deemed to be a part of the Project sites and a part of the Project facilities and to be substituted for Project facilities so taken by eminent domain, without the payment of any amount other than herein provided, to the same extent as if such property and facilities were specifically described herein.

Any balance of the net proceeds of the award in such eminent domain proceedings after the carrying out of the mandatory proceedings stipulated in (A) and (B) of this Section 7.11, shall be paid to the Governmental Agency upon delivery to the Authority of a certificate signed by an authorized officer of the Governmental Agency to the effect that the Governmental Agency has complied with either subparagraph (A) or (B), or both, of this Section, and written approval of such certificate by an authorized officer of the Authority. In no event will the Governmental Agency voluntarily settle or consent to the settlement of any prospective or pending condemnation proceedings with respect to the Project or any part thereof without the written consent of the Authority.

Section 7.12. Flood Insurance. All structures located in flood prone areas shall be covered by flood insurance carried by the Governmental Agency for an amount equal to the total Project cost excluding the cost of land and any uninsurable improvements, or for the maximum limit available under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, whichever is less, for the entire useful life of the Project.

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### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

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Section 8.1. Events of Default Defined. The following will be "Events of Default" under this Assistance Agreement and the term "Event of Default" or "Default" will mean, whenever it is used in this Assistance Agreement, any one or more of the following events:

(A) Failure by the Governmental Agency to pay any payments specified herein at the times specified herein.

(B) Failure by the Governmental Agency to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed, other than as referred to in subsection (A) of this Section, for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied will have been given to the Governmental Agency by the Authority unless the Authority agrees in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration; provided, however, if the failure stated in the notice cannot be corrected within the applicable period, the Authority will not unreasonably withhold its consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by the Governmental Agency within the applicable period and diligently pursued until such failure is corrected.

(C) The dissolution or liquidation of the Governmental Agency, or the voluntary initiation by the Governmental Agency of any proceeding under any federal or state law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, arrangement, reorganization, readjustment of debt or any other form of debtor relief, or the initiation against the Governmental Agency of any such proceeding which will remain undismissed for sixty (60) days, or the entry by the Governmental Agency into an agreement of composition with creditors or the failure generally by the Governmental Agency to pay its debts as they become due.

(D) A default by the Governmental Agency under the provisions of any agreements relating to its Debt Obligations.

Section 8.2. <u>Remedies on Default</u>. Whenever any Event of Default referred to in Section 8.1 has occurred and is continuing (other than an event of default arising under Section 6.13 of this Assistance Agreement), the Authority may, without any further demand or notice, take one or any combination of the following remedial steps:

(A) Declare all payments due hereunder, as set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to be immediately due and payable.

(B) Exercise all the rights and remedies of the Authority set forth in the Act.

(C) Take whatever action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights under this Assistance Agreement.

(D) Submit a formal referral to the appropriate federal agency, as required by the Federal Agreement.

The sole remedies for an Event of Default under this Assistance Agreement arising by virtue of the failure of the Governmental Agency to comply with the provisions of Section 6.10 hereof shall be those remedies specifically set forth in Section 6.10 hereof

Section 8.3. Appointment of Receiver. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, and upon the filing of a suit or other commencement of judicial proceedings to enforce the rights of the Authority under this Assistance Agreement, the Authority shall be entitled, as a matter of right, to the appointment of a receiver or receivers of the System and all receipts therefrom, pending such proceedings, with such power as the court making such appointment shall confer; provided, however, that the Authority may, with or without action under this Section, pursue any available remedy to enforce the payment obligations hereunder, or to remedy any Event of Default.

Section 8.4. No Remedy Exclusive. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Authority is intended to be exclusive, and every such remedy will be cumulative and will be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder and every remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default will impair any such right or power and any such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

Section 8.5. Consent to Powers of Authority Under Act. The Governmental Agency hereby acknowledges to the Authority its understanding of the provisions of the Act, vesting in the Authority certain powers, rights and privileges in respect of the Project upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, and the Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees that if the Authority should in the future have recourse to said rights and powers, the Governmental Agency shall take no action of any nature whatsoever calculated to inhibit, nullify, void, delay or render nugatory such actions of the Authority in the due and prompt implementation of this Assistance Agreement.

Section 8.6. <u>Waivers</u>. In the event that any agreement contained herein should be breached by either party and thereafter waived by the other party, such waiver will be limited to the particular breach so waived and will not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.

Section 8.7. Agreement to Pay Attorneys' Fees and Expenses. In the event that either party hereto will default under any of the provisions hereof and the non-defaulting party employs attorneys or incurs other expenses for the enforcement of performance or observance of any obligation or agreement on the part of the defaulting party herein contained, the defaulting party agrees that it will pay on demand therefor to the non-defaulting party the fees of such attorneys and such other expenses so incurred by the non-defaulting party.

# **ARTICLE IX**

#### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 9.1. Approval not to be Unreasonably Withheld. Any approval of the Authority required by this Assistance Agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld and shall be deemed to have been given on the thirtieth (30th) day following the submission of any matter requiring approval to the Authority, unless disapproved in writing prior to such thirtieth (30th) day. Any provision of this Assistance Agreement requiring the approval of the Authority or the satisfaction or the evidence of satisfaction of the Authority shall be interpreted as requiring action by an authorized officer of the Authority granting, authorizing or expressing such approval or satisfaction, as the case may be, unless such provision expressly provides otherwise.

<u>Section 9.2</u>. <u>Approval</u>. This Agreement is made subject to, and conditioned upon, the approval of this Assistance Agreement by the Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet.

Section 9.3. Effective Date. This Assistance Agreement shall become effective as of the date first set forth hereinabove and shall continue in full force and effect until the date the obligations of the Governmental Agency pursuant to the provisions of this Assistance Agreement have been fully satisfied.

Section 9.4. Binding Effect. This Assistance Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and to any person, officer, board, department, agency, municipal corporation, or body politic and corporate succeeding by operation of law to the powers and duties of either of the parties hereto. This Assistance Agreement shall not be revocable by either of the parties, without the written consent of the other party.

Section 9.5. Severability. In the event that any provision of this Assistance Agreement will be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding will not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

Section 9.6. Assignability. The rights of the Authority under this Assistance Agreement shall be assignable by the Authority without the consent of the Governmental Agency, but none of the rights, duties or obligations of the Governmental Agency under this Assistance Agreement shall be assignable by the Governmental Agency without the prior written consent of the Authority.

<u>Section 9.7.</u> Execution in Counterparts. This Assistance Agreement may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which will constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 9.8. Applicable Law. This Assistance Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth.

Section 9.9. Captions. The captions or headings herein are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions or sections of this Assistance Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Assistance Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the day and year above written.

ATTEST:

Title:

# ATTEST:

Title: SECRETARY

**APPROVED:** SECRETARY FINANCE AND

ADMINISTRATION CABINET OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

By: Title:

# GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY: MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By Title: CI

**EXAMINED:** 

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LEGAL COUNSEL TO THE KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

CABINET FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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#### ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

This Assistance Agreement made and entered into as of the date set forth on the cover page hereof (the "Assistance Agreement") by and between the KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY, a body corporate and politic, constituting a public corporation and governmental agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Authority") and the Governmental Agency identified on the cover of this Assistance Agreement (the "Governmental Agency"):

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, being the duly and legally constituted legislature of Kentucky at its 1988 Regular Session, enacted House Bill 217 amending Chapter 224A of the Kentucky Revised Statutes (the "Act"), creating the "Kentucky Infrastructure Authority" to serve the public purposes identified in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established its Program as hereinafter defined, for the purpose of providing financial assistance to Governmental Agencies, as defined in the Act, in connection with the acquisition and construction of Projects, as defined in the Act, in order to preserve, protect, upgrade, conserve, develop, utilize and manage the resources of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Commonwealth") for the protection and preservation of the health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the Commonwealth and its citizens, and in that respect to assist and cooperate with Governmental Agencies in achieving such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Program is funded in part, pursuant to the Capitalization Grant Operating Agreement between the Authority and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency dated as of November 1, 1998 (the "Federal Agreement") under which the Authority is responsible for providing certain "match funding" described in the Federal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has issued, and will issue from time to time, its revenue bonds pursuant to a General Trust Indenture dated as of February 1, 2000 (the "Indenture") between the Authority and National City Bank of Kentucky (the "Trustee") in order to provide the "match funding" for the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency has determined that it is necessary and desirable to finance the acquisition and construction of the Project, as hereinafter defined, and the Authority has determined that the Project is a Project within the meaning of the Act and the Indenture, thereby qualifying for financial assistance from the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Agency desires to enter into this Assistance Agreement with the Authority for the purpose of securing from the Authority the repayable Loan hereinafter identified; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is willing to cooperate with the Governmental Agency in making available the Loan pursuant to the Act and the Indenture to be applied to the Project upon the conditions hereinafter enumerated and the covenants by the Governmental Agency herein contained to repay the Loan and the interest thereon from the sources herein provided, all as hereinafter more specifically provided; and WHEREAS, the Authority and the Governmental Agency have determined to enter into this Assistance Agreement pursuant to the terms of the Act and the Indenture and to set forth their respective duties, rights, covenants, and obligations with respect to the acquisition, construction and financing of the Project and the repayment of the Loan and the interest thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL COVENANTS HEREIN SET FORTH, THE LOAN HEREBY EFFECTED AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE RECEIPT OF WHICH IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED BY EACH PARTY, THE PARTIES HERETO MUTUALLY COVENANT AND AGREE, EACH WITH THE OTHER AS FOLLOWS:

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# ARTICLE I

#### DEFINITIONS

All of the terms utilized in this Assistance Agreement will have the same definitions and meaning as ascribed to them in the Act and the Indenture, which Act and Indenture are hereby incorporated in this Assistance Agreement by reference, the same as if set forth hereby verbatim; provided, however, that those definitions utilized in the Act and the Indenture having general application are hereby modified in certain instances to apply specifically to the Governmental Agency and its Project.

"Act" shall mean Chapter 224A of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended.

"Administrative Fee" means the charge of the Authority for the servicing of the Loan, which is the annual percentage charged against the unpaid principal balance of the Loan as identified in the Project Specifics.

"Architects" means the firm of consulting architects employed by the Governmental Agency in connection with the Project identified in the Project Specifics.

"Assistance Agreement" shall mean this agreement made and entered into by and between a Governmental Agency and the Authority, as authorized by the Act, providing for a Loan to the Governmental Agency by the Authority, and for the repayment thereof to the Authority by the Governmental Agency.

"Authority" shall mean the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority created by the Act, a body corporate and politic, constituting a public corporation and a governmental agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, or such other designation as may be effected by future amendments to the Act.

"Bond" or "Bonds" or "Revenue Bonds" shall mean any Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Bond or Bonds, or the issue of such Bonds, as the case may be, authenticated and delivered under the Indenture.

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other legal holiday on which the general offices of the Commonwealth are closed.

"Cabinet" means the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet of the Commonwealth.

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and shall include the Regulations of the United States Department of the Treasury promulgated thereunder.

"Commonwealth" shall mean the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Construction" shall mean construction as defined in the Act.

"Debt Obligations" shall mean those outstanding obligations of the Governmental Agency identified in the Project Specifics outstanding as of the date of this Assistance Agreement or issued in the future in accordance with the terms hereof, payable from the income and revenues of the System.

"Drinking Water Supply Project" shall mean the planning, design and construction of drinking water treatment and distribution systems, including expenditures to address Federal Act health goals, or to address situations where compliance standards have been exceeded or to prevent future violations of rules, and may further include drinking water treatment plants, including basins for rapid mix, flocculation, coagulation, filtration, pre-treatment disinfection, and disinfection prior to entry to the distribution system; distribution systems; storage tanks; intake lines and short-term water storage; clearwells; drilled wells and wellhead areas; and any other structure or facility considered necessary by the Natural Resources Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to the efficient and sanitary operation of a public water system and complies with the requirements of the Federal Act.

"Engineers" means the firm of consulting engineers employed by the Governmental Agency in connection with the Project identified in the Project Specifics.

"Federal Act" shall mean the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 1401, et seq.

"Governmental Agency" shall mean any incorporated city or municipal corporation, or other agency or unit of government within the Commonwealth, now having or hereafter granted the authority and power to finance, acquire, construct, and operate infrastructure projects, including specifically but not by way of limitation, incorporated cities, counties, including any counties containing a metropolitan sewer district, sanitation districts, water districts, sewer construction districts, metropolitan sewer districts, sanitation taxing districts, and any other agencies, commissions, districts, or authorities (either acting alone, or in combination with one another pursuant to any regional or area compact, or multi-municipal agreement), now or hereafter established pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth having and possessing such described powers; and for the purposes of this Assistance Agreement shall mean the Governmental Agency identified in the Project Specifics.

"Indenture" shall mean the General Trust Indenture dated as of February 1, 2000 between the Authority and the Trustee.

"Interagency Agreement" means the Memorandum of Understanding dated as of July 1, 1999 between the Authority and the Cabinet, as the same may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Loan" shall mean the loan effected under this Assistance Agreement from the Authority to the Governmental Agency in the principal amount set forth in the Project Specifics, for the purpose of defraying the costs incidental to the Construction of the Project.

"Loan Rate" means the rate of interest identified in the Schedule of Payments.

"Person" shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation or Governmental Agency.

"Program" shall mean the program authorized by KRS 224A.1115 and the Indenture as the "federally assisted drinking water revolving fund" for financing Projects through Loans by the Authority to Governmental Agencies and shall not be deemed to mean or include any other programs of the Authority.

"Project" shall mean, when used generally, a Drinking Water Supply Project, and when used in specific reference to the Governmental Agency, the Project described in the Project Specifics.

"Project Specifics" means those specific details of the Project identified in Exhibit A hereto, all of which are incorporated by reference in this Assistance Agreement.

"Requisition for Funds" means the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> to be utilized by the Governmental Agency in obtaining disbursements of the Loan from the Authority as the Construction of the Project progresses.

"Resolution" means the resolution of the Governmental Agency attached hereto as Exhibit D authorizing the execution of this Assistance Agreement.

"Schedule of Payments" means the principal and interest requirements of the Loan as set forth in <u>Exhibit F</u> hereto, to be established and agreed to upon or prior to the completion of the Project.

"Schedule of Service Charges" shall mean those general charges to be imposed by the Governmental Agency for services provided by the System, as set forth in Exhibit C hereto, and such other revenues identified in Exhibit C hereto from which the Loan is to be repaid, which Schedule of Service Charges shall be in full force and effect to the satisfaction of the Authority

"Service Charges" shall mean any monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual charges, surcharges or improvement benefit assessments to be imposed by a Governmental Agency, or by the Authority, in respect of the System, which Service Charges arise by reason of the existence of, and requirement of, any Assistance Agreement and for the purposes of this Assistance Agreement said Service Charges shall be no less than those set forth in the Schedule of Service Charges.

"System" shall mean the water system owned and operated by the Governmental Agency of which the Project shall become a part and from the earnings of which (represented by the Service Charges) the Governmental Agency shall repay the Authority the Loan hereunder.

# ARTICLE II

## REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Section 2.1. Representations and Warranties of Authority. The Authority represents and warrants for the benefit of the Governmental Agency as follows:

(A) The Authority is a body corporate and politic constituting a governmental agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth, has all necessary power and Authority to enter into, and perform its obligations under, this Assistance Agreement, and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement.

(B) Neither the execution and delivery hereof, nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the terms and conditions hereof, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, conflicts with or results in a breach of the terms, conditions and provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Authority is now a party or by which the Authority is bound, or constitutes a default under any of the foregoing.

(C) To the knowledge of the Authority, there is no litigation or proceeding pending or threatened against the Authority or any other person affecting the right of the Authority to execute or deliver this Assistance Agreement or to comply with its obligations under this Assistance Agreement. Neither the execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement by the Authority, nor compliance by the Authority with its obligations under this Assistance Agreement, require the approval of any regulatory body, or any other entity, which approval has not been obtained.

(D) The authorization, execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement and all actions of the Authority with respect thereto, are in compliance with the Act and the Federal Act and any regulations issued thereunder.

Section 2.2. Representations and Warranties of the Governmental Agency. The Governmental Agency hereby represents and warrants for the benefit of the Authority as follows:

(A) The Governmental Agency is a duly organized and validly existing Governmental Agency, as described in the Act, with full power to own its properties, conduct its affairs, enter into this Assistance Agreement and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

(B) The negotiation, execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby have been duly authorized by all requisite action of the governing body of the Governmental Agency.

(C) This Assistance Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Governmental Agency and is a valid and binding obligation of the Governmental Agency enforceable in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that the enforceability hereof may be limited by equitable principles and by bankruptcy, reorganization, moratorium, insolvency or similar laws heretofore or hereafter enacted relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights or remedies generally. (D) To the knowledge of the Governmental Agency, there is no controversy or litigation of any nature pending or threatened, in any court or before any board, tribunal or administrative body, to challenge in any manner the authority of the Governmental Agency or its governing body to make payments under this Assistance Agreement or to proceed with the Project, or to challenge in any manner the authority of the Governmental Agency or its governing body to take any of the actions which have been taken in the authorization or delivery of this Assistance Agreement or the Construction of the Project, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity of this Assistance Agreement, or in any way questioning any proceedings taken with respect to the authorization or delivery by the Governmental Agency of this Assistance Agreement, or in any way questioning any proceedings taken with respect to the authorization of the proceeds thereof or the pledge or application of any monies or security provided therefor, or in any way questioning the due existence or powers of the Governmental Agency, or otherwise wherein an unfavorable decision would have an adverse impact on the transactions authorized in connection with this Assistance Agreement.

(E) The authorization and delivery of this Assistance Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby will not constitute an event of default or violation or breach, nor an event which, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both, would constitute an event of default or violation or breach, under any contract, agreement, instrument, indenture, lease, judicial or administrative order, decree, rule or regulation or other document or law affecting the Governmental Agency or its governing body.

(F) Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u> is a true, accurate and complete copy of the resolution or ordinance of the governing body of the Governmental Agency approving and authorizing the execution and delivery of this Assistance Agreement. Such resolution or ordinance was duly enacted or adopted at a meeting of the governing body of the Governmental Agency at which a quorum was present and acting throughout; such resolution or ordinance is in full force and effect and has not been superseded, altered, amended or repealed as of the date hereof; and such meeting was duly called and held in accordance with law.

(G) All actions taken by the Governmental Agency in connection with this Assistance Agreement and the Loan described herein and the Project have been in full compliance with the provisions of the Kentucky Open Meeting Law, KRS 61.805 to 61.850.

(H) The Governmental Agency has all licenses, permits and other governmental approvals (including but not limited to all required approvals of the Kentucky Public Service Commission) required to own, occupy, operate and maintain the Project, to charge and collect the Service Charges and to enter into this Assistance Agreement, is not in violation of and has not received any notice of an alleged violation of any zoning or land use laws applicable to the Project, and has full right, power and authority to perform the acts and things as provided for in this Assistance Agreement.

(I) Legal counsel to the Governmental Agency has duly executed and delivered the opinion of legal counsel substantially in the form set forth in <u>Exhibit E</u> hereto.

(J) The Governmental Agency is in full compliance with all federal and state labor and procurement laws in connection with the planning, design, acquisition and construction of the Project.

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(K) Project is consistent with the water supply plan developed pursuant to 401 KAR 4:220 for the county in which the Governmental Agency is located.

### ARTICLE III

#### AUTHORITY'S AGREEMENT TO MAKE LOAN; TERMS

Section 3.1. Determination of Eligibility. Pursuant to the terms of the Act and the Indenture, the Authority has determined that the Governmental Agency's Project is a Drinking Water Supply Project under the Act and the Governmental Agency is entitled to financial assistance from the Authority in connection with financing the Construction of the Project.

Section 3.2. Principal Amount of Loan Established; Loan Payments; Disbursement of <u>Funds</u>. The principal amount of the Loan shall be the Loan Amount as identified in the Project Specifics, subject to such adjustments as may be set forth in the Schedule of Payments. Principal payments shall be made semiannually in the amounts and on the dates to be established by the Schedule of Payments, which Schedule of Payments shall provide for approximately level debt service payments over the Repayment Term set forth in the Project Specifics, commencing with the Amortization Commencement Date set forth in the Project Specifics.

The Loan shall bear interest, payable semiannually, at the Loan Rate identified in the Project Specifics, and after the Amortization Commencement Date, in the amounts (based on such Loan Rate) and on the dates set forth in the Schedule of Payments; provided that, should an Event of Default occur, such payments of interest shall be made on the first day of each month during the continuation of such Event of Default.

The Authority shall advance the proceeds of the Loan as Construction of the Project progresses upon the submission by the Governmental Agency of a Requisition for Funds in substantially the same form as <u>Exhibit B</u> hereto. Each disbursement under a Requisition for Funds representing a portion of the principal amount of the Loan shall bear interest at the Loan Rate from the date of the disbursement; and shall be subject to the further requirements set forth in Article IV hereof.

Payments of principal and interest on the Loan shall be made at the principal office of the Authority or the Trustee, as designated by the Authority.

Section 3.3. Governmental Agency's Right to Prepay Loan. The Governmental Agency shall have the right to prepay and retire the entire amount of the Loan at any time without penalty upon written notice to the Authority no less than five (5) Business Days in advance of said prepayment.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon the determination by the Authority that it intends to issue revenue bonds secured by a pledge of the payments on the Loan, the Authority shall advise the Governmental Agency (i) of its intention to proceed with the authorization of such bonds (ii) of the limitation on prepayments after such bonds are issued and (iii) that the Governmental Agency has thirty (30) days from its receipt of said notice to exercise its option to prepay the Loan. Upon the expiration of said thirty day period the Governmental Agency's right to prepay the Loan shall be limited to the terms described in such notice.

Section 3.4. Subordination of Loan. The Authority hereby agrees that the security interest and source of payment for the Loan shall be inferior and subordinate to the security interest and source of payment for the Debt Obligations of the Governmental Agency payable

from the revenues of the System outstanding at the time this Assistance Agreement is executed as identified in the Project Specifics; provided, however, the Authority shall receive notice of any additional financings in accordance with Section 5.5(D) hereof.

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# ARTICLE IV

# CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO DISBURSEMENT; REQUISITION FOR FUNDS

<u>Section 4.1.</u> Covenants of Governmental Agency and Conditions of Loan. By the execution of this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency agrees that prior to any requests for the disbursement of all or a portion of the Loan made hereunder, the Governmental Agency shall supply the Authority and the Cabinet appropriate documentation, satisfactory to the Authority indicating the following:

(A) That the Authority and the Cabinet and any appropriate regulatory agency of the Commonwealth as may be designated by the Authority or the Cabinet, and their respective duly authorized agents, shall have the right at all reasonable times, subject to prior notice to the Governmental Agency, to examine and inspect the Project.

(B) All real estate and interest in real estate and all personal property constituting the Project and the sites of the Project heretofore or hereafter acquired shall at all times be and remain the property of the Governmental Agency and constitute a part of the System.

(C) In the event the Governmental Agency is required to provide financing for the Project from sources other than the Authority (as described in the Project Specifics) the Authority shall have the right to receive such reasonable proofs as it may require of the ability of the Governmental Agency to finance the costs of the Construction of the Project over and above the Loan, prior to the disbursement by the Authority of any portion of the Loan.

(D) The Governmental Agency shall do all things necessary to acquire all proposed and necessary sites, easements and rights of way necessary or required in respect of the Project and demonstrate its ability to construct the Project in accordance with the plans, design and specifications prepared for the Governmental Agency by the Engineers.

(E) Actual construction and installation incident to the Project shall be performed by either the lump-sum (fixed price) or unit price contract method, and adequate legal methods of obtaining public, competitive bidding will be employed prior to the awarding of the construction contract for the Project in accordance with Kentucky law.

(F) Unless construction of the Project has already been initiated as of the date of this Assistance Agreement, pursuant to due compliance with state law and applicable regulations, the Project will not be advertised or placed on the market for construction bidding by the Governmental Agency until the final plans, designs and specifications therefor have been approved by such state and federal agencies and authorities as may be legally required, and until written notification of such approvals has been received by the Governmental Agency and furnished to the Cabinet.

(G) Duly authorized representatives of the Cabinet and such other agencies of the Commonwealth as may be charged with responsibility will have reasonable access to the construction work whenever it is in preparation or progress, and the Governmental Agency will assure that the contractor or contractors will provide facilities for such access and inspection.

(H) The construction contract or contracts shall require the contractor to comply with all provisions of federal and state law legally applicable to such work, and any amendments or modifications thereto, together with all other applicable provisions of law, to cause appropriate provisions to be inserted in subcontracts to insure compliance therewith by all subcontractors subject thereto, and to be responsible for the submission of any statements required of subcontractors thereunder.

(I) A work progress schedule utilizing a method of standard acceptance in the engineering community shall be prepared prior to the institution of construction in connection with each construction contract, or, if construction has already been initiated as of the date of this Assistance Agreement, at the earliest practicable date, to indicate the proposed schedule as to completion of the Project, and same shall be maintained monthly thereafter to indicate the actual construction progress of the Project.

(J) Prior to the award of the construction contract and prior to the commencement of construction, the Governmental Agency will arrange and conduct a conference as to the Project said conference to include representatives of the Authority, the Governmental Agency, the Cabinet and any other participating federal or state agency, the Engineers, and all construction contractors, such conference to be held in accordance with guidelines established by the Authority and the Cabinet. A written brief of said conference summarizing the construction schedule, fund requirements schedule, payment authorizations, responsible parties for approval of all facets of the construction work and payment therefor, and other pertinent matters shall be prepared and distributed to each agency involved, and all construction contractors and Engineers. Provided, however, that in the event construction shall have been initiated as of the date of this Assistance Agreement, this provision may be waived.

(K) All construction contracts will be so prepared that federal participation costs, if any, and state participation costs may be readily segregated from local participation costs, if any, and from each other, and in such manner that all materials and equipment furnished to the Governmental Agency may be readily itemized.

(L) Any change or changes in a construction contract will be promptly submitted to the Cabinet and any state or federal agencies.

(M) The Construction, including the letting of contracts in connection therewith, will conform in all respects to applicable requirements of federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

(N) The Governmental Agency will proceed expeditiously with and complete the Project in accordance with the approved surveys, plans specifications and designs or amendments thereto, prepared by the Engineers for the Governmental Agency and approved by state and federal agencies.

(O) If requested, the Governmental Agency will erect at the Project sites, signs satisfactory to the Authority and the United States Environmental Protection Agency noting the participation of the Authority and the U.S. Government, respectively, in the financing of the Project.

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(P) Except as otherwise provided in this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency shall have the sole and exclusive charge of all details of the Construction.

(Q) The Governmental Agency shall keep complete and accurate records of the costs of acquiring the Project sites and the costs of Construction. The Governmental Agency shall permit the Authority and the Cabinet, acting by and through their duly authorized representatives, and the duly authorized representatives of state and/or federal agencies to inspect all books, documents, papers and records relating to the Project at any and all reasonable times for the purpose of audit and examination, and the Governmental Agency shall submit to the Authority and the Cabinet such documents and information as such public bodies may reasonably require in connection with the administration of any federal or state assistance.

(R) The Governmental Agency shall require that each construction contractor or contractors furnish a performance and a payment bond in an amount at least equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price or the portion of the Project covered by the particular contract as security for the faithful performance of such contract.

(S) The Governmental Agency shall require that each of its contractors and all subcontractors maintain during the life of the construction contract, worker's compensation insurance, public liability insurance, property damage insurance and vehicle liability insurance in amounts and on terms satisfactory to the Authority. Until the Project facilities are completed and accepted by the Governmental Agency, the contractor shall maintain builders risk insurance (fire and extended coverage) on a one hundred percent (100%) basis (completed value form) on the insurable portion of the Project, such insurance to be made payable to the order of the Authority, the Governmental Agency, the prime contractor, and all subcontractors, as their interests may appear.

(T) The Governmental Agency shall provide and maintain competent and adequate resident engineering services covering the supervision and inspection of the development and construction of the Project, and bearing the responsibility of assuring that Construction conforms to the approved plans, specifications and designs prepared by the Engineers. Such resident engineer shall certify to the Cabinet, any involved state or federal agencies, and the Governmental Agency at the completion of construction that construction is in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs, or, approved amendments thereto.

(U) The Governmental Agency shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Authority the legal capability of the Governmental Agency to enact, adopt, levy, charge, collect, enforce and remit to the Authority and the Cabinet the Service Charges of the Governmental Agency described in the Schedule of Service Charges attached to and made a part of this Assistance Agreement as Exhibit C and submit proof satisfactory to the Authority that the Service Charges are in full force and effect

<u>Section 4.2.</u> <u>Additional Conditions to Disbursement Required Under the Federal</u> <u>Agreement</u>. The Governmental Agency, in order to comply with the terms and conditions of the Federal Agreement, further covenants and further agrees to additional conditions to disbursement, as follows:

(A) Notwithstanding any other agreements contained herein regarding the maintenance of books and records, that it shall maintain Project accounts in accordance with

generally accepted governmental accounting standards, as required by the Federal Agreement. The Governmental Agency shall retain such records for no less than three (3) years following the final payment by the Governmental Agency under this Assistance Agreement or if any portion of the Project is disposed of, until at least three (3) years after such disposition; provided that if any litigation, claim, appeal or audit is commenced prior to the end of such period such records shall be maintained until the completion of such action or until three (3) years after such commencement, whichever is later.

(B) That it has not and will not apply any other federal funding to the Project in a manner that would cause it to receive "double benefits" as described in Section 603 of the Water Quality Act of 1987.

(C) That all property required for the completion of the Project shall be obtained, by easement, purchase or other means acceptable to the Authority, prior to commencement of construction and that the relocation of any Person resulting therefrom be in accordance with 49 CFR24 for Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970.

(D) That all Project contractors shall be required to retain Project records for the periods established for the retention of the Governmental Agency's records in Section 4.2(A).

(E) That no more than fifty percent (50%) of the proceeds of the Loan shall be disbursed until approval by the Cabinet of the final plan for operation for the Project.

(F) That no more than ninety percent (90%) of the proceeds of the Loan shall be disbursed until approval by the Cabinet of the draft operations and maintenance manual.

(G) That final disbursement will not be allowed until approval by the Cabinet of a final operations and maintenance manual.

(H) That, as required by 40 CFR 35.2218, all engineering services regarding construction and regarding the first year of operation of the Project shall be provided for, including the following:

(1) The operation of the Project and the revision of the operations and maintenance manual as necessary to accommodate actual operating experience;

(2) The training of operating personnel, including preparation of curricula and training material for operating personnel; and

(3) Advice as to whether the Project is meeting the Project performance standards (including three quarterly reports and one project performance report).

(I) That it shall advise the Cabinet and the Authority in writing of the date for initiation of operation of the Project.

(J) That one year after operation is initiated, it shall certify to the Cabinet and the Authority that the Project is capable of meeting the Project performance standards.

(K) That it shall provide that qualified inspectors are present at the construction site. A summary of such inspector's qualifications and experience shall be submitted to the Cabinet and the Authority.

(L) That it shall notify the Authority and the Cabinet of the completion date of the Project.

(M) That it agrees to the terms and conditions of its application for assistance and the Authority's commitment to provide assistance, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference.

(N) That all measures required to minimize water pollution to affected waters shall be employed in the Project including compliance with Section 404 of PL 92-500, as amended, it being understood that approval of the Project does not constitute sanction or approval of any changes or deviations from established water quality standards, criteria implementation dates, or dates established by enforcement proceedings.

Section 4.3. Disbursements of Loan; Requisition for Funds. The Governmental Agency shall submit to the Authority (or the Trustee acting on behalf of the Authority, if so designated) and the Cabinet a Requisition for Funds prior to the fifth day of each month (or such other designated period as is acceptable to the Authority), in substantially the same form as that attached to this Assistance Agreement as Exhibit B and made a part hereof, accompanied by, to the extent requested by the Authority, the following documentation:

(A) A full and complete accounting of the costs of the planning and design of the Project to be obligated by contract or otherwise during the month in question, or already obligated and not included in any previous accounting;

(B) A full and complete accounting of any costs of the planning and design of the Project paid by the Governmental Agency from its own funds with the approval of the Authority and not included in any previous accounting for which it seeks reimbursement;

(C) A full and complete accounting of any costs of the planning and design of the Project paid or requisitioned under any other financing, loan, bond, grant or similar agreement or paid from its own funds for which it does not seek reimbursement and which have not been identified in any previous requisition form.

(D) The Contractor's estimate of work performed during the preceding month pursuant to construction contracts for the Project and payment thereunder due, together with the Engineer's and Governmental Agency's approval thereof for disbursement by the Authority.

Upon the Authority's receipt of the Requisition for Funds, and such additional documentation as it may require, and subject to certification by the Cabinet, the Authority may direct the Trustee to remit the amount requested to the Governmental Agency as a draw upon the Loan.

#### ARTICLE V

# CERTAIN COVENANTS OF THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY; PAYMENTS TO BE MADE BY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY TO THE AUTHORITY

Section 5.1. Imposition of Service Charges. The Governmental Agency hereby irrevocably covenants and agrees to comply with all of the terms, conditions and requirements of this Assistance Agreement, pursuant to which the Loan is to be made by the Authority to the Governmental Agency as specified herein and in the Act and the Indenture. The Governmental Agency hereby further irrevocably covenants and agrees that it already has, or will, to the extent necessary, immediately impose Service Charges upon all persons, firms and entities to whom or which services are provided by the System, such Service Charges to be no less than as set forth in Exhibit C annexed hereto. If so required, such Service Charges shall be in addition to all other rates, rentals and service charges of a similar nature of the Governmental Agency now or hereafter authorized by law, and now or hereafter being levied and collected by the Governmental Agency and shall be levied and collected solely for the purpose of repaying to the Authority all sums received from the Authority as representing the Loan in respect of the Project.

Section 5.2. Governmental Agency's Obligation to Repay Loan. The obligation of the Governmental Agency to repay to the Authority the amount of the Loan from the Service Charges shall not be revocable, and in the event that services supplied by the Project shall cease, or be suspended for any reason, the Governmental Agency shall continue to be obligated to repay the Loan from the Services Charges. In the event the Governmental Agency defaults in the payment of any Service Charges to the Authority, the amount of such default shall bear interest at the per annum rate equal to the Default Rate set forth in the Project Specifics, from the date of the default until the date of the payment thereof.

Section 5.3. Covenant to Adjust Service Charges. In the event, for any reason, the Schedule of Service Charges shall prove to be insufficient to provide to the Authority the minimum sums set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve and to provide for the operation of the System, the Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees that it will, upon notice by the Authority, to the full extent authorized by law, both federal and state, immediately adjust and increase such Schedule of Service Charges, or immediately commence proceedings for a rate adjustment and increase with all applicable regulatory authorities, so as to provide funds sufficient to pay to the Authority the minimum sums set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to provide for the operation of the System as required under this Assistance Agreement and to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve.

Section 5.4. Adequacy of Service Charges. The Service Charges herein covenanted to be imposed by the Governmental Agency shall be fixed at such rate or rates (and it is represented that the Schedule set forth in Exhibit C hereto so qualifies), as shall be at least adequate to make the payments at the times and in the amounts set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve and to provide for the operation of the System, subject to necessary governmental and regulatory approvals.

The Service Charges imposed by the Governmental Agency shall be paid by the users of the System and accordingly the Project not less frequently than the Service Charge Payment period set forth in the Project Specifics, and shall be remitted to the Authority by the Governmental Agency with a report showing collections and any delinquencies. A report of all collections and delinquencies shall be made at least semi-annually on or before each Payment Date identified in the Schedule of Payments.

Section 5.5. Covenant to Establish Maintenance and Replacement Reserve. The Governmental Agency shall establish a special account identified as a "Maintenance and Replacement Reserve". The Governmental Agency shall deposit into the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve an amount equal to the amount set forth in the Project Specifics at the times set forth in the Project Specifics. Amounts in the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve may be used for extraordinary maintenance expenses related to the Project or for the unbudgeted costs of replacing worn or obsolete portions of the Project.

Section 5.6. Covenant to Charge Sufficient Rates; Reports; Inspections. The Governmental Agency hereby irrevocably covenants and agrees with the Authority:

(A) That, as aforesaid, it will at all times impose, prescribed, charge and collect the Service Charges set forth in <u>Exhibit C</u> as shall result in net revenues to the Governmental Agency at least adequate to provide for the payments to the Authority required by this Assistance Agreement, to provide for the operation of the System and to make the required deposits to the Maintenance and Replacement Reserve.

(B) That it will furnish to the Authority and the Cabinet not less than annually reports of the operations and income and revenues of the System, and will permit authorized agents of the Authority to inspect all records, accounts and data of the System at all reasonable times.

(C) That it will collect, account for and promptly remit to the Authority those specific revenues, funds, income and proceeds derived from Service Charges incident to this Assistance Agreement.

(D) That it will notify the Authority in writing of its intention to issue bonds or notes payable from the revenues of the System not less than thirty (30) days prior to the sale of said obligations. It further covenants that it will not issue any notes, bonds or other obligations payable from the revenues of the System, if the pledge of the revenues of the System to the repayment of such obligations is to rank on a parity with, or superior to, the pledge of the revenues of the System for the repayment of the Loan granted under this Assistance Agreement, unless the Governmental Agency has secured the consent of the Authority not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the issuance of such obligations.

Section 5.7. Segregation of Funds. The Governmental Agency shall at all times account for the income and revenues of the System and distinguish same from all other revenues, moneys and funds of the Governmental Agency, if any.

## ARTICLE VI

#### OTHER COVENANTS OF THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY

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Section 6.1. Further Assurance. At any time and all times the Governmental Agency shall, so far as it may be authorized by law, pass, make, do, execute, acknowledge and deliver, all and every such further resolutions, acts, deeds, conveyances, assignments, transfers and assurances as may be necessary or desirable for the better assuring, conveying, granting, assigning and confirming all and singular the rights, assets and revenues herein pledged or assigned, or intended so to be, or which the Governmental Agency may hereafter become bound to pledge or assign.

<u>Section 6.2.</u> <u>Completion of Project</u>. The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees to proceed expeditiously with and promptly complete the Project in accordance with the plans, designs and specifications prepared by the Engineers for the Governmental Agency.

Section 6.3. Establishment of Completion Date. The completion date for the Project shall be evidenced to the Authority by a certificate signed by the Engineer and an authorized representative of the Governmental Agency stating that, except for amounts retained by the Authority for costs of the Project not then due and payable, (i) the Construction has been completed and all labor, services, materials, supplies, machinery and equipment used in such Construction have been paid for, (ii) all other facilities necessary in connection with the Project have been acquired, constructed, equipped and installed and all costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith have been paid, (iii) the Project and all other facilities in connection therewith have been acquired, constructed, equipped and installed to his satisfaction.

<u>Section 6.4.</u> Commitment to Operate. The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees to commence operation of the Project immediately on completion of construction and not to discontinue operations or dispose of such Project without the approval of the Authority.

<u>Section 6.5.</u> <u>Continue to Operate.</u> The Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees to continuously operate and maintain the Project in accordance with applicable provisions of federal and state law and to maintain adequate records relating to said operation; said records to be made available to the Authority upon its request at all reasonable times.

Section 6.6. Tax Covenant. In the event the Authority issues Bonds which are intended to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes to provide the funds for the Loan, the Governmental Agency shall at all times do and perform all acts and things permitted by law and necessary or desirable in order to assure such exclusion and shall take such actions as may be directed by the Authority in order to accomplish the foregoing. The Governmental Agency shall not permit (i) the proceeds of the Loan to be used directly or indirectly in any trade or business, (ii) its payments hereunder to be secured directly or indirectly by property to be used in a trade or business, (iii) any management agreement for the operation of the System or (iv) any federal guarantee of its obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Authority. The Governmental Agency will not acquire or pledge any obligations which would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of the Code.

Section 6.7. Accounts and Reports. The Governmental Agency shall at all times keep, or cause to be kept, proper books of record and account in accordance with the "Uniform System of

Accounts" established by the Commonwealth, in which complete and accurate entries shall be made of all its transactions relating to the System and which shall at all reasonable times be subject to the inspection of the Authority.

Section 6.8. Financial Statements. Within ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Governmental Agency, the Governmental Agency shall provide to the Authority, itemized financial statements of income and expense and a balance sheet in reasonable detail, certified as accurate by a firm of independent certified public accountants or the Auditor of Public Accounts of the Commonwealth. All financial information must be satisfactory to the Authority as to form and content and be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles on a basis consistent with prior practice unless specifically noted thereon. With such financial statements, the Governmental Agency shall furnish to the Authority a certificate stating that, to the best knowledge of the authorized representative signing such certificate, no default under this Assistance Agreement exists on the date of such certificate, or if any such default shall then exist, describing such default with specificity.

Section 6.9. General Compliance With All Duties. The Governmental Agency shall faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the Project and the System required by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth, and by the terms and provisions of this Assistance Agreement and any other Debt Obligations.

Section 6.10. General. The Governmental Agency shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all acts and things required to be done or performed by or on behalf of the Governmental Agency under the provisions of the Act, the Federal Act and this Assistance Agreement in accordance with the terms of such provisions including the Additional Covenants and Agreements, if any, set forth in Exhibit G hereto.

Section 6.11. Further Covenants under the Federal Agreement. The Governmental Agency shall comply with all further requirements or conditions which may arise from time to time in order to assure compliance with the Federal Act, and with the agreements of the Authority set forth in the Federal Agreement, including but not limited to the following:

(A) The Governmental Agency shall provide all information requested of it by the Authority or the Cabinet so that (i) the Grants Information Control System, referred to in the Federal Agreement, can be maintained, (ii) the accounting and auditing procedures required by the Federal Act can be maintained and (iii) the Authority can furnish the information required of its under the Federal Agreement.

(B) Qualified operating personnel, properly certified by the Cabinet, shall be retained by the Governmental Agency to operate the Project during the entire term of this Assistance Agreement. An approved plan of operating and an operations and maintenance manual for the Project shall be provided by the Governmental Agency to the Cabinet and the Authority. The Project shall be operated and maintained in an efficient and effective manner.

(C) All residents in the service area of the Project must be offered the same opportunity to become users of the Project regardless of race, creed, color, or level of income.

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(D) The Governmental Agency shall comply with provisions contained in the following federal regulations, orders, acts and circulars and the following statutes and regulations of the Commonwealth.

(1) Federal Cross-Cutters

Environmental Authorities

- (a) Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974, Pub. L. 86-523, as amended
- (b) Clean Air Act, Pub. L. 84-159, as amended
- (c) Coastal Barrier Resources Act, Pub. L. 97-348
- (d) Coastal Zone Management Act, Pub. L. 93-583, as amended
- (e) Endangered Species Act, Pub. L. 93-205, as amended
- (f) Environmental Justice, Executive Order 12898
- (g) Floodplain Management, Executive Order 11988 as amended by Executive Order 12148
- (h) Protection of Wetlands, Executive Order 11990
- (i) Farmland Protection Policy Act, Pub. L. 97-98
- (j) Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Pub. L. 85-624, as amended
- (k) National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, PL 89-665, as amended
- (1) Safe Drinking Water Act, Pub. L. 93-523, as amended
- (m) Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Pub. L. 90-542, as amended

Economic and Miscellaneous Authorities

- (a) Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966, Pub. L. 89-754, as amended, Executive Order 12372
- (b) Procurement Prohibitions under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act and Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, including Executive Order 11738, Administration of the Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with Respect to Federal Contracts, Grants, or Loans.
- (c) Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, Pub. L. 91-646, as amended
- (d) Debarment and Suspension, Executive Order 12549

Social Policy Authorities

- (a) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Pub. L. 94-135
- (b) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. 88-352
- (c) Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, Pub. L. 92-500 (the Clean Water Act)
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Pub. L. 93-112 (including Executive Orders 11914 and 11250)
- (e) Equal Employment Opportunity, Executive Order 11246
- (f) Women's and Minority Business Enterprise, Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432

- (g) Section 129 of the Small Business Administration Reauthorization and Amendment Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-590
- (2) State:
  - (a) KRS 224
  - (b) KRS 224A.1115 Federally Assisted Drinking Water Revolving Fund
  - (c) KRS Chapter 337, Labor Laws
  - (d) 401 KAR Chapter 5

Section 6.12. Continuing Disclosure Obligation. The Governmental Agency covenants and agrees that notwithstanding any other provision of this Assistance Agreement to the contrary, upon written notice from the Authority that the Schedule of Payments provides ten percent (10%) or more of the debt service requirements on an issue of the Authority's Bonds and that compliance by the Governmental Agency with the requirements of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended (the "SEC Rule") is required in connection with the Authority's Bonds, the Governmental Agency shall provide to the Authority such information as may be required by the Rule, within the time periods set out in such notice by the Authority, to enable the Authority to establish to the satisfaction of prospective purchasers of the Authority's Bonds that the requirements of the SEC Rule will be satisfied in connection with the issuance of the Authority's Bonds. The Governmental Agency further understands and agrees that the Authority shall act as the Governmental Agency's disclosure agent for purposes of compliance with the SEC Rule and that upon a failure by the Governmental Agency to provide the information required to be provided under the SEC Rule within the time frame specified in such notice, the Authority and/or the beneficial owners and holders of the Authority's Bonds shall be specifically granted the right of enforcing the provisions of this Section 6.12 by an action in mandamus, for specific performance, or similar remedy to compel performance.

## ARTICLE VII

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## MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, INSURANCE AND CONDEMNATION

Section 7.1. Maintain System. The Governmental Agency agrees that during the entire term of this Assistance Agreement, it will keep the Project, including all appurtenances thereto, and the equipment and machinery therein, in good and sound repair and good operating condition at its own cost so that the completed Project will continue to provide the services for which the System is designed.

Section 7.2. Additions and Improvements. The Governmental Agency shall have the privilege of making additions, modifications and improvements to the sites of the Project, and to the Project itself from time to time provided that said additions, modifications and improvements do not impair the operation or objectives of the Project. The Cost of such additions, modifications and improvements shall be paid by the Governmental Agency, and the same shall be the property of the Governmental Agency and shall be included under the terms of this Assistance Agreement as part of the site of the Project, or the Project, as the case may be. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as precluding the Authority and the Governmental Agency from entering into one or more supplementary Assistance Agreements providing for an additional Loan or Loans in respect of additional Projects undertaken by the Governmental Agency.

<u>Section 7.3.</u> System Not to Be Disposed Of. The Governmental Agency covenants and agrees that, until satisfaction in full of its obligations hereunder, it will not, without the prior written consent of the Authority, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, sell, mortgage, or in any manner dispose of, or surrender control or otherwise dispose of any of the facilities of the System or any part thereof (except that the Governmental Agency may retire obsolete and worn out facilities, and sell same, if appropriate).

<u>Section 7.4.</u> <u>Compliance with State and Federal Standards</u>. The Governmental Agency agrees that it will at all times provide operation and maintenance of the Project to comply with the water quality standards, if any, established by any state or federal agency. The Governmental Agency agrees that qualified operating personnel properly certified by the Commonwealth will be retained to operate the Project during the entire term of this Assistance Agreement.

<u>Section 7.5.</u> <u>Access to Records</u>. The Governmental Agency agrees that it will permit the Authority and any state or federal agency and their respective agents to have access to the records of the Governmental Agency pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the Project at any reasonable time following completion of construction of the Project, and commencement of operations thereof.

<u>Section 7.6.</u> Covenant to Insure - Casualty. The Governmental Agency agrees to insure the Project facilities in such amount as like properties are similarly insured by political subdivisions similarly situated, against loss or damage of the kinds usually insured against by political subdivisions similarly situated, by means of policies issued by reputable insurance companies duly qualified to do such business in the Commonwealth. <u>Section 7.7.</u> <u>Authority as Named Insured</u>. Any insurance policy issued pursuant to Section 7.5 hereof, shall be so written or endorsed as to make losses, if any, payable to the Governmental Agency, and to the Authority, as their interests may appear.

Section 7.8. Covenant to Insure - Liability. The Governmental Agency agrees that it will carry public liability insurance with reference to the Project with one or more reputable insurance companies duly qualified to do business in the Commonwealth, insuring against such risks (including but not limited to personal inquiry, death and property damage) and in such amounts as are set forth in the Project Specifics, and naming the Authority as an additional insured.

Section 7.9. Covenant Regarding Worker's Compensation. Throughout the entire term of this Assistance Agreement, the Governmental Agency shall maintain worker's compensation coverage, or cause the same to be maintained.

Section 7.10. Application of Casualty Insurance Proceeds. If, prior to the completion of the term of this Assistance Agreement, the Project shall be damaged or partially or totally destroyed by fire, windstorm or other casualty, there shall be no abatement or reduction in the amount payable by the Governmental Agency pursuant to the terms of this Assistance Agreement and the Governmental Agency will (1) promptly repair, rebuild or restore the Project damaged or destroyed; and (2) apply for such purpose so much as may be necessary of any net proceeds of insurance resulting from claims for such losses, as well as any additional moneys of the Governmental Agency necessary therefor. All net proceeds of insurance resulting from claims for such losses shall be paid to the Governmental Agency, and shall be promptly applied as herein provided.

Section 7.11. Eminent Domain. In the event that title to, or the temporary use of, the Project, or any part thereof, shall be taken under the exercise of the power of eminent domain by any governmental body or by any Person acting under governmental authority, there shall be no abatement or reduction in the minimum amounts payable by the Governmental Agency to the Authority pursuant to the terms of this Assistance Agreement, and any and all net proceeds received from any award made in such eminent domain proceedings shall be paid to and held by the Governmental Agency in a separate condemnation award account and shall be applied by the Governmental Agency in either or both of the following ways, as shall be determined by the Governmental Agency in its sole discretion:

(A) The restoration of the improvements located on the Project sites to substantially the same condition as prior to the exercise of said power of eminent domain; or

(B) The acquisition of additional property, if necessary, and the acquisition of additional facilities by construction or otherwise, equivalent to the Project facilities, which property and facilities shall be deemed to be a part of the Project sites and a part of the Project facilities and to be substituted for Project facilities so taken by eminent domain, without the payment of any amount other than herein provided, to the same extent as if such property and facilities were specifically described herein.

Any balance of the net proceeds of the award in such eminent domain proceedings after the carrying out of the mandatory proceedings stipulated in (A) and (B) of this Section 7.11, shall be paid to the Governmental Agency upon delivery to the Authority of a certificate signed by an authorized officer of the Governmental Agency to the effect that the Governmental Agency has complied with either subparagraph (A) or (B), or both, of this Section, and written approval of such certificate by an authorized officer of the Authority. In no event will the Governmental Agency voluntarily settle or consent to the settlement of any prospective or pending condemnation proceedings with respect to the Project or any part thereof without the written consent of the Authority.

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<u>Section 7.12</u>. <u>Flood Insurance</u>. All structures located in flood prone areas shall be covered by flood insurance carried by the Governmental Agency for an amount equal to the total Project cost excluding the cost of land and any uninsurable improvements, or for the maximum limit available under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, whichever is less, for the entire useful life of the Project.

## ARTICLE VIII

## EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

Section 8.1. Events of Default Defined. The following will be "Events of Default" under this Assistance Agreement and the term "Event of Default" or "Default" will mean, whenever it is used in this Assistance Agreement, any one or more of the following events:

(A) Failure by the Governmental Agency to pay any payments specified herein at the times specified herein.

(B) Failure by the Governmental Agency to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed, other than as referred to in subsection (A) of this Section, for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied will have been given to the Governmental Agency by the Authority unless the Authority agrees in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration; provided, however, if the failure stated in the notice cannot be corrected within the applicable period, the Authority will not unreasonably withhold its consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by the Governmental Agency within the applicable period and diligently pursued until such failure is corrected.

(C) The dissolution or liquidation of the Governmental Agency, or the voluntary initiation by the Governmental Agency of any proceeding under any federal or state law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, arrangement, reorganization, readjustment of debt or any other form of debtor relief, or the initiation against the Governmental Agency of any such proceeding which will remain undismissed for sixty (60) days, or the entry by the Governmental Agency into an agreement of composition with creditors or the failure generally by the Governmental Agency to pay its debts as they become due.

(D) A default by the Governmental Agency under the provisions of any agreements relating to its Debt Obligations.

Section 8.2. Remedies on Default. Whenever any Event of Default referred to in Section 8.1 has occurred and is continuing (other than an event of default arising under Section 6.13 of this Assistance Agreement), the Authority may, without any further demand or notice, take one or any combination of the following remedial steps:

(A) Declare all payments due hereunder, as set forth in the Schedule of Payments, to be immediately due and payable.

(B) Exercise all the rights and remedies of the Authority set forth in the Act.

(C) Take whatever action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights under this Assistance Agreement.

(D) Submit a formal referral to the appropriate federal agency, as required by the Federal Agreement.

The sole remedies for an Event of Default under this Assistance Agreement arising by virtue of the failure of the Governmental Agency to comply with the provisions of Section 6.10 hereof shall be those remedies specifically set forth in Section 6.10 hereof

<u>Section 8.3.</u> <u>Appointment of Receiver</u>. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, and upon the filing of a suit or other commencement of judicial proceedings to enforce the rights of the Authority under this Assistance Agreement, the Authority shall be entitled, as a matter of right, to the appointment of a receiver or receivers of the System and all receipts therefrom, pending such proceedings, with such power as the court making such appointment shall confer; provided, however, that the Authority may, with or without action under this Section, pursue any available remedy to enforce the payment obligations hereunder, or to remedy any Event of Default.

Section 8.4. No Remedy Exclusive. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Authority is intended to be exclusive, and every such remedy will be cumulative and will be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder and every remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default will impair any such right or power and any such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

<u>Section 8.5.</u> <u>Consent to Powers of Authority Under Act</u>. The Governmental Agency hereby acknowledges to the Authority its understanding of the provisions of the Act, vesting in the Authority certain powers, rights and privileges in respect of the Project upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, and the Governmental Agency hereby covenants and agrees that if the Authority should in the future have recourse to said rights and powers, the Governmental Agency shall take no action of any nature whatsoever calculated to inhibit, nullify, void, delay or render nugatory such actions of the Authority in the due and prompt implementation of this Assistance Agreement.

<u>Section 8.6.</u> <u>Waivers</u>. In the event that any agreement contained herein should be breached by either party and thereafter waived by the other party, such waiver will be limited to the particular breach so waived and will not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.

Section 8.7. Agreement to Pay Attorneys' Fees and Expenses. In the event that either party hereto will default under any of the provisions hereof and the non-defaulting party employs attorneys or incurs other expenses for the enforcement of performance or observance of any obligation or agreement on the part of the defaulting party herein contained, the defaulting party agrees that it will pay on demand therefor to the non-defaulting party the fees of such attorneys and such other expenses so incurred by the non-defaulting party.

### ARTICLE IX

#### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

<u>Section 9.1.</u> Approval not to be Unreasonably Withheld. Any approval of the Authority required by this Assistance Agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld and shall be deemed to have been given on the thirtieth (30th) day following the submission of any matter requiring approval to the Authority, unless disapproved in writing prior to such thirtieth (30th) day. Any provision of this Assistance Agreement requiring the approval of the Authority or the satisfaction or the evidence of satisfaction of the Authority shall be interpreted as requiring action by an authorized officer of the Authority granting, authorizing or expressing such approval or satisfaction, as the case may be, unless such provision expressly provides otherwise.

<u>Section 9.2.</u> <u>Approval</u>. This Agreement is made subject to, and conditioned upon, the approval of this Assistance Agreement by the Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet.

Section 9.3. Effective Date. This Assistance Agreement shall become effective as of the date first set forth hereinabove and shall continue in full force and effect until the date the obligations of the Governmental Agency pursuant to the provisions of this Assistance Agreement have been fully satisfied.

<u>Section 9.4</u>. <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Assistance Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and to any person, officer, board, department, agency, municipal corporation, or body politic and corporate succeeding by operation of law to the powers and duties of either of the parties hereto. This Assistance Agreement shall not be revocable by either of the parties, without the written consent of the other party.

<u>Section 9.5.</u> <u>Severability</u>. In the event that any provision of this Assistance Agreement will be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding will not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

<u>Section 9.6.</u> <u>Assignability</u>. The rights of the Authority under this Assistance Agreement shall be assignable by the Authority without the consent of the Governmental Agency, but none of the rights, duties or obligations of the Governmental Agency under this Assistance Agreement shall be assignable by the Governmental Agency without the prior written consent of the Authority.

Section 9.7. Execution in Counterparts. This Assistance Agreement may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which will constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 9.8. Applicable Law. This Assistance Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth.

Section 9.9. Captions. The captions or headings herein are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions or sections of this Assistance Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Assistance Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the day and year above written.

By

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By:

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**GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY:** 

KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC PROTECTION

CABINET OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

By: Director Division of Water

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#### BOND RESOLUTION

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RESOLUTION OF THE MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$2,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT WATERWORKS REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2017 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COST (NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED) OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF EXTENSIONS, ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF SAID DISTRICT; SETTING FORTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS UPON WHICH SAID BONDS MAY BE ISSUED AND OUTSTANDING; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION, SEGREGATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE REVENUES OF SAID WATERWORKS SYSTEM; AND PROVIDING FOR AN ADVERTISED, PUBLIC, COMPETITIVE SALE OF SAID BONDS.

WHEREAS, the waterworks system (the "System") of the Meade County Water District (the "District") is owned and operated by said District pursuant to Chapters 58 and 74 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes (the "Act"), and

WHEREAS, the District presently has outstanding certain Prior Bonds (as hereinafter defined), which Prior Bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of the revenues derived from the operation of the System, and

WHEREAS, all of the Prior Bonds presently outstanding are current as to payment of both principal and interest, and for the security of which a certain Sinking Fund and certain reserves are being maintained in the manner and by the means prescribed in the Prior Bond Resolution (as hereinafter defined) of the District, authorizing the Prior Bonds, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the District at this time to authorize and provide for the issuance of revenue bonds in the principal amount of \$2,000,000 (the "Current Bonds"), for the purpose of financing the cost (not otherwise provided) of the construction of extensions, additions and improvements to the System of the District, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by HDR Engineering, Inc. and to prescribe the covenants of the District, the rights of Bondowners and the details of the issuance and sale of the proposed Current Bonds, and

WHEREAS, the District desires and intends that the Current Bonds be issued on a parity with the Series 2010 Bonds, subject to the vested rights and priorities in favor of the owners of the outstanding Prior First Lien Bonds, and

WHEREAS, the District will apply to the Kentucky Public Service Commission for issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the construction of said extensions, additions and improvements, and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, AS FOLLOWS:

## ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS; PURPOSE; AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS; SECURITY.

Section 101. Definitions. As used in this Resolution, unless the context requires otherwise:

"Act" refers to Chapters 58 and 74 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

"Beginning Month" refers to the month following the month in which the Current Bonds authorized herein are issued, sold and delivered to the Purchaser thereof.

"Bond Counsel" refers to an attorney or firm of attorneys recognized nationally as experts in the field of municipal bond law and shall be deemed to refer to Rubin & Hays, Louisville, Kentucky, or their successors.

"Bondowner" or "Owner" refer to registered Owners of the Current Bonds at the time issued and outstanding hereunder.

"Bonds" collectively refers to the outstanding Current Bonds, Prior Bonds and the Parity Bonds.

"Bonds of 1992" or "Series 1992 Bonds" refer to the outstanding Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds of 1992, dated February 4, 1993, in the original authorized principal amount of \$415,000.

"Bonds of 2010" or "Series 2010 Bonds" refer to the outstanding Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 (Build America Bonds - Direct Payment), dated December 20, 2010, in the original authorized principal amount of \$2,150,000.

"Bond Resolution of 1992" or "1992 Bond Resolution" refer to the Resolution authorizing the Bonds of 1992, duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the District on July 21, 1992.

"Bond Resolution of 2010" or "2010 Bond Resolution" refer to the Resolution authorizing the Bonds of 2010, duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the District on January 26, 2010.

"Chairman" refers to the elected or appointed Chairman or Chairperson of the Commission.

"Code" refers to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations relating thereto.

"Commission" refers to the Board of Commissioners of the District, or such other body as shall be the governing body of said District under the laws of Kentucky at any given time. "Construction Account" refers to the Meade County Water District Waterworks Construction Account, created in Section 301(B) of this Current Bond Resolution.

"Contractors" refers to the general contractors who have been employed by the District to construct the Project.

"Current Bond Resolution" or "Resolution" refer to this Resolution authorizing the Current Bonds.

"Current Bonds" refers to the \$2,000,000 of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 authorized by this Resolution, to be dated as of the date of issuance thereof.

"Current Sinking Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Waterworks Sinking Fund of 2010, described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Depository Bank" refers to the bank, which shall be a member of the FDIC, which bank is Meade County Bank, Brandenburg, Kentucky, or its successor.

"Depreciation Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Depreciation Reserve Fund, described in Section 402 of this Resolution.

"District" refers to the Meade County Water District of Meade County, Kentucky.

"Engineers" refers to the Engineers or any one of them, who prepared the plans and specifications for the construction of the Project and who will supervise the construction thereof and/or will furnish full time resident inspection of the construction of the Project, and shall be deemed to refer to HDR Engineering, Inc., or a member of said firm, or their successors.

"Event of Default" refers to one or more of the Events of Default set forth in Section 701 of this Resolution.

"FDIC" refers to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or its successors.

"Fiscal Year" refers to the annual accounting period of the District, beginning on January 1, and ending on December 31, of each year.

"Funds" refers to the Construction Account, the Revenue Fund, the Prior Sinking Fund, the Current Sinking Fund, the Depreciation Fund and the Operation and Maintenance Fund.

"Government" refers to the United States of America, or any agency thereof, including RD.

"Independent Consulting Engineer" refers to a consulting engineer or a firm of consulting engineers of recognized excellent reputation in the field of waterworks system engineering, and such definition includes the Engineers named above.

"Interim Lender" refers to Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, Bowling Green, Kentucky, its successors or assigns; or any other financial institution or governmental agency approved by the District.

"KIA Loans" refer to the two outstanding Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Loans to the District.

"KRWFC Loan" refers to the outstanding Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation Loan to the District in the original authorized principal amount of \$605,000.

"Local Counsel" refers to David T. Wilson, II, Esq., Radcliff, Kentucky, or any other attorney or firm of attorneys designated by the District.

"Multiple Advances" refers to the advance of loan funds from the RD as described in Section 302 of this Resolution.

"Note" refers to a single note or any number of notes, in such form as may be prescribed by the Interim Lender, including any revenue bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to Chapter 58 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, including any renewal or extensions of the Note, issued by the District evidencing the interim financing for the Project as prescribed in Section 302 of this Resolution.

"Operation and Maintenance Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Operation and Maintenance Fund described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Outstanding Bonds" refers to the outstanding Bonds, and does not refer to, nor include, any Bonds for the payment of the principal and interest of which sufficient funds will have been deposited and earmarked for payment of Bonds; provided all Outstanding Bonds of any series held by the RD shall be deemed to constitute Outstanding Bonds until paid regardless of the deposit of funds to pay for same.

"Parity Bonds" refers to bonds which may be issued in the future which, pursuant to this Resolution, rank on a basis of parity with the outstanding Bonds, as to priority, security and source of payment, and does not refer to bonds which might be issued so as to rank inferior to the security and source of payment of the outstanding Bonds.

"Prior Bonds" refers collectively to the Series 1992 Bonds, the KRWFC Loan, the KIA Loans and the Series 2010 Bonds.

"Prior Bond Resolution" refers to the 1992 Bond Resolution and the 2010 Bond Resolution.

"Prior First Lien Bonds" refers collectively to the Series 1992 Bonds, the KRWFC Loan and the KIA Loans.

"Prior Sinking Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Sinking Fund of 1992, described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Project" refers specifically to the construction of the currently proposed extensions, additions and improvements to the System of the District, which Project is being financed by the Current Bonds and by other funds.

"Purchaser" refers to the agency, person, firm or firms, or their successors, to whom the Current Bonds herein authorized are awarded at the public sale of the Current Bonds.

"RD" refers to the United States Department of Agriculture, acting through Rural Development.

"Required Signatures" refers to the signatures necessary to be obtained with reference to the approval of the expenditures to be made from the Construction Account, which required signatures shall consist of the signatures of (1) the Chairman; (2) the Engineers; and (3) the Purchaser; provided, however, any expenditures for issuance and administrative costs and the costs of any equipment which is not permanently affixed to the real estate shall not require the signature or the approval of the Engineers.

"Revenue Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Revenue Fund, described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Secretary" refers to the elected or appointed Secretary of the Commission.

"System" refers to the existing waterworks system of the District, together with all extensions, additions and improvements to said System.

"Treasurer" refers to the elected or appointed Treasurer of the Commission.

"U.S. Obligations" refers to bonds or notes which are the direct obligations of the United States of America, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by the United States of America.

All words and terms importing the singular number shall, where the context requires, import the plural number and vice versa. Unless otherwise indicated, references to Articles or Sections refers to those in this Resolution.

Section 102. Purpose. The Current Bonds shall be issued for the purpose of financing the cost (not otherwise provided) of the Project, as set out in the plans and specifications prepared by the Engineers. The Commission hereby declares the System of the District, including the

extensions, additions and improvements to be constructed, to constitute a revenue producing public project, and said System shall continue to be owned, controlled, operated and maintained by the District as a revenue producing public project pursuant to the Act, so long as any Bonds remain outstanding.

Section 103. Construction Award Approved; Work Authorized. The Commission hereby authorizes, approves, ratifies and confirms its previous action in advertising for and taking steps toward awarding the contracts for the construction of the Project to the lowest and best bidders, and further approves the action of the District officials in entering into formal contracts with said bidders, subject to the necessary approvals being obtained. Authority is hereby given for under-taking the construction of the Project according to the plans and specifications heretofore prepared by the Engineers for the District, after all necessary approvals have been obtained.

<u>Section 104. Declaration of Period of Usefulness.</u> The Commission hereby declares that the period of usefulness of the System is more than forty (40) years from the date of completion of the Project.

Section 105. Authorization of Bonds. The District has heretofore determined that the total cost of the Project, including preliminary expenses, land and rights-of-way, engineering expense, capitalized interest during construction, legal and administrative costs, publication costs, initial deposits required and all incidental expenses, will not exceed \$2,000,000. Therefore, it is hereby determined to be necessary in order for the District to finance the cost of the Project that the District issue a total of \$2,000,000 of Current Bonds.

Accordingly, for the purpose of financing the cost of the Project, under the provisions of the Act, there is hereby authorized to be issued and sold \$2,000,000 principal amount of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2017.

The Current Bonds shall be dated as of the date of delivery to the Purchaser thereof; shall bear interest from such date at such interest rate as may be fixed by supplemental resolution as a result of the advertised sale and competitive bidding for such Current Bonds, as hereinafter provided; and shall be issued and delivered as prescribed in Section 202 hereof.

Interest on the Current Bonds shall be payable semiannually on January 1 and July 1 of each year, provided that the first interest payment period will cover interest only from the date of delivery of the Current Bonds to the ensuing January 1 or July 1, as the case may be. Principal of the Current Bonds shall be payable on January 1 of each of the respective years until maturity, as set out in Section 201 hereof.

Section 106. Recognition of Prior Bonds. The District hereby expressly recognizes and acknowledges that the District has previously created for the benefit and protection of the owners of the Prior Bonds, a certain lien and pledge and certain security rights relating to the System, all as set forth in the Prior Bonds.

Section 107. Current Bonds Shall be Payable on Out of Gross Revenues. The Current Bonds, the Series 2010 Bonds and any additional Parity Bonds that may be issued under the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth, shall be payable solely out of the gross revenues of the System, subject to the priority of the Prior First Lien Bonds.

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Section 108. Lien on Contracts. In addition to the revenue pledge securing the Bonds, a lien is hereby created and granted in favor of the Bondowners on all contracts, and on all other rights of the District pertaining to the System, enforceable by assignment to any receiver or other operator proceeding by authority of any court.

## ARTICLE 2. THE BONDS; BOND FORM; PREPAYMENT.

Section 201. Principal Payments. Principal payments due on the Current Bonds shall be as set forth in the schedule of maturities set out in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution and incorporated herein.

Section 202. Issuance of Current Bonds; Bond Form. The Purchaser of the Current Bonds at the public sale shall take delivery of the Current Bonds in the form of one or more fully registered bonds, as set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein, amounting in the aggregate to the principal amount of the Current Bonds authorized herein, maturing as to principal as set out in Section 201. The Current Bonds shall be numbered R-1 and consecutively upward thereafter. Such Current Bonds shall, upon appropriate execution on behalf of the District as prescribed, constitute the entire bond issue herein authorized, shall be negotiable (subject to registration requirements as to transferability), registered as to principal and interest and payable as directed by the registered Owner.

Section 203. Place of Payment and Manner of Execution. Both principal of and interest on the Current Bonds shall be payable at the place and in the manner set out in the form of such Current Bond. The Current Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the District by the manual or facsimile signature of the Chairman of the District, with the Corporate Seal of the District affixed thereto and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary of said District.

If either of the officers whose signatures appear on the Current Bonds ceases to be such officer before delivery of said Current Bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid for all purposes the same as if such officers had remained in office until delivery.

Section 204. Provisions as to Prepayment. Except when all of the Current Bonds are held by the Government, principal maturities falling due prior to January 1, 2027, shall not be subject to prepayment. Principal maturities falling due on and after January 1, 2027, shall be subject to prepayment by the District on any date falling on and after January 1, 2026, at par plus accrued interest, without any prepayment penalty.

So long as all of the Current Bonds are owned by the Government, all or any of the Current Bonds, or in a multiple of \$100, may be prepaid at any time in inverse chronological order of the principal maturities due, at par plus accrued interest without any prepayment penalty.

Notice of such prepayment shall be given by certified mail to the Bondowner or his assignee, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for prepayment. Notice of such prepayment may be waived with the written consent of the Bondowner.

# ARTICLE 3. CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT; INTERIM FINANCING; APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS; ARBITRAGE LIMITATIONS.

Section 301. Construction Account; Application of Proceeds of Bonds; Other Transfers and Deposits. The Treasurer, or such other District official as shall be designated by the Commission, shall be the custodian of all funds belonging to and associated with the System. All moneys in excess of the amount insured by the FDIC in the Construction Account shall be secured by the Depository Bank in accordance with U. S. Treasury Department Circular No. 176. The officials of the District entrusted with the receipt and disbursement of revenues of the System and the custody of valuable property shall be covered by a fidelity bond in the amount of not less than \$223,000 (the "Fidelity Bond"), or such larger amount as the RD may require, which Fidelity Bond shall be effective and secured by a surety company approved by the RD so long as it is owner of any of the Current Bonds. The RD and the District shall be named co-obligees in such Fidelity Bond and the amount thereof shall not be reduced without the written consent of the RD. Whenever sums in the Funds shall exceed \$223,000, the Fidelity Bond shall be increased accordingly as requested by and with the approval of the RD.

A. Covenants Applicable if RD Purchases Current Bonds. It is acknowledged that all covenants herein with reference to the necessity for approval of the RD, the necessity of observing RD regulations and procedures and the necessity of using RD forms (the "RD Forms"), shall apply only if the RD is the Purchaser of the Current Bonds and only so long as the RD holds the Current Bonds thereafter. In the event that the RD shall not be the Purchaser of the Current Bonds, or, after purchasing same, shall sell or transfer the Current Bonds to an Owner who shall not be the Government, all covenants herein with reference to the necessity for approval of the RD, the necessity of observing RD regulations and procedures, and the necessity of using RD Forms, shall not be applicable.

B. Application of Proceeds of Current Bonds. The proceeds of the Current Bonds shall be applied as follows:

(1) Payment of Interim Financing, Costs of Project and Costs of Issuance. Simultaneously with the delivery of the Current Bonds, there shall immediately be paid to the Interim Lender (or the RD if Multiple Advances are made) an amount sufficient to pay principal of and interest on any temporary loans borrowed by the District in anticipation of the sale and delivery of the Current Bonds. Also, at the time of delivery of the Current Bonds, there shall be paid all amounts then due and payable in connection with the costs of the Project and in connection with the issuance of the Current Bonds.

(2) Construction Account. If and to the extent that the proceeds of the Current Bonds shall be in excess of the amount necessary to pay the interest, principal and costs referred to in subparagraph B(1) of this Section, such excess amount shall immediately be deposited in the "Meade County Water District Waterworks Construction Account" hereby created, which shall be established at the Depository Bank.

(3) Withdrawal of Funds From Construction Account. Prior to the expenditure by the District of any moneys from the Construction Account, the District must obtain written approval from the RD as to such expenditures, if the RD is the Owner of any Outstanding Bonds. The proceeds of said Construction Account shall be withdrawn only on checks signed by the Chairman, the Treasurer (or by such other official of the District as may be authorized by the Commission), provided such official shall be covered by the Fidelity Bond required by Section 301 of this Resolution, in payment for services and/or materials supplied in connection with the Project, as evidenced by (1) a Requisition Certificate; and (2) invoices and/or partial payment estimates bearing the written approval of the Engineers and the Chairman (or by such other official of the District as may be authorized by the Invoices and/or partial payment estimates must have been reviewed and approved for payment by the designated RD official.

Written approval or certification of the Engineers shall not be required for matters not under the jurisdiction of the Engineers, such as legal fees, land acquisition and related items.

During construction, the District shall disburse Construction Account funds in a manner consistent with RD Instruction 1780.

The District shall prepare and submit any and all RD Forms required by the RD. Periodic audits of the District's Construction Account records shall be made by RD as determined by it to be necessary.

(4) Transfer of Capitalized Interest to Current Sinking Fund. There shall be transferred from the Construction Account an amount sufficient to provide for capitalized interest (initially estimated at \$25,000) during the construction of the Project, as approved by the Engineers and by the RD. If and to the extent not theretofore expended in paying interest on interim financing and if and to the extent then needed to pay interest during the remaining period of construction of the Project, such amount so transferred from the Construction Account shall be deposited in the Current Sinking Fund.

(5) Investment of Funds in Construction Account. Pending disbursement of amounts on deposit in the Construction Account, all such funds, or such portion of said amounts on deposit in said Construction Account as is designated by the Commission, shall be invested for the benefit of such Construction Account in Certificates of Deposit, savings accounts or U.S. Obligations which may be converted readily into cash, having a maturity date prior to the date when the sums invested will be needed for costs of the Project (as determined by the Engineers, the Chairman and the RD), provided that to the extent that any amounts on deposit in said Depository Bank shall cause the total deposits of the District in said Depository Bank to exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, the same shall be continuously secured by a valid pledge of U.S. Obligations, having an equivalent market value, in conformity with Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. Investments in Certificates of Deposit or savings accounts may be made only in such

Certificates or accounts of an FDIC bank. Any such investments will be a part of the Construction Account, and income from such investments will be credited to the Construction Account. All such investments shall be subject to the limitations set out in Section 303 hereof.

## (6) Statements of Contractors, Engineers and Attorneys as to Payment.

Prior to the delivery of the Current Bonds, if the RD is the Purchaser of the Current Bonds, the District will be required to provide the RD with statements from the Contractors, Engineers and attorneys for the District that they have been paid to date in accordance with their contract or other agreements and, in the case of any Contractor, that he has paid his suppliers and subcontractors. Any exceptions must be authorized under RD Instruction 1780.

### (7) Disposition of Balance in Construction Account After Completion

of Project. When the Project has been completed and all construction costs have been paid in full, as certified by the Engineers for the District and/or by the RD, any balance then remaining in the Construction Account may, with the consent of the RD, be applied to the cost of constructing additional extensions, additions and improvements to the System (the "Additional Construction"). If such Additional Construction is to be undertaken by the Contractors previously engaged in the Project, such Additional Construction may be authorized by a change order.

If there is a balance remaining in the Construction Account after such Additional Construction, such balance shall be transferred to the Current Sinking Fund, whereupon said Construction Account shall be closed. Such remaining balance in the Construction Account so transferred to the Current Sinking Fund shall be used by the District immediately to prepay principal installments due on the Current Bonds in the inverse order of maturities without prepayment penalty, provided further that any balance insufficient to prepay at least \$100 of the principal payment falling due in any year on the Bonds will be transferred to the Depreciation Fund.

# Section 302. Interim Financing Authorization.

A. Interim Financing. The District shall use interim financing for the Project during construction of that portion of the cost of the Project financed by the Current Bonds, if available at reasonable rates and terms.

The borrowing of up to the aggregate sum of \$2,000,000 from the Interim Lender is hereby authorized; and the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the Note in the name and on behalf of the District. Each advance under the Note shall evidence a loan by the Interim Lender to the District for services rendered and/or materials supplied in connection with the Project, as evidenced by a Requisition Certificate.

Interim financing shall be disbursed as follows:

(1) At the direction of the District, the Interim Lender shall disburse the proceeds of the Note by cashier's checks directly to the parties entitled thereto as set forth in the Requisition Certificate; or

(2) At the direction of the District, the Interim Lender shall deposit the proceeds of the Note in the Construction Account, in which event amounts of the District on deposit therein shall, until expended to the extent that same shall exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, be fully secured by a pledge of U.S. Obligations.

The aggregate of the principal amount of all Notes shall not exceed \$2,000,000. Each Note which is renewed or superseded shall be simultaneously cancelled by the Interim Lender and transmitted to the Treasurer. The rate of interest applicable to each Note shall not exceed a reasonable rate, which rate is subject to the approval of the RD.

The total authorized interim financing of \$2,000,000 shall be the maximum indebtedness which the District may owe at any one time to the Interim Lender for the purpose of providing temporary construction financing for the Project; provided, however, that the District may reduce the amount owed by the District to the Interim Lender from time to time as and when funds are available to the District and may reborrow from the Interim Lender additional amounts in anticipation of the further receipt by the District of additional proceeds from the Current Bonds.

The District hereby covenants and agrees with the Interim Lender that upon the issuance and delivery of the Current Bonds, the District will apply the proceeds thereof, to whatever extent may be necessary, in payment of the principal amount of the Note, together with accrued interest thereon to the date of such payment; and the proceeds of the Current Bonds are hereby pledged therefor, and such pledge shall constitute a first and prior charge against said proceeds.

The District further pledges the revenues of the System to the repayment of said interim financing, subject to the vested rights and priorities of the pledges securing the Outstanding Bonds.

It is understood that the foregoing constitutes an alternative method of obtaining interim financing, and does not preclude the authorization and sale, by public advertisement or otherwise, of bond anticipation notes to the most favorable bidder on the open market, by concurrent or subsequent proceedings of the District.

**B.** Multiple Advances by RD. In the event the Current Bonds are purchased by the RD, and in the event the District is unable to obtain a commitment for interim financing for the Project from any Interim Lender at reasonable rates and terms, the Chairman is authorized to request Multiple Advances of loan funds from the RD.

If the RD agrees to make Multiple Advances to the District pending the delivery of the Current Bonds, the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute in the name and on behalf of the District any number of Notes. Each such Note, evidencing an advance of funds by the RD to the District, shall be in the form prescribed by the RD. Each request for an advance from the RD shall be accompanied by a Requisition Certificate. The District will also furnish to the RD, prior to the receipt of each Multiple Advance, whatever additional documentation shall be requested by the RD, including an updated supplemental title opinion of Local Counsel and an updated supplemental preliminary legal opinion of Bond Counsel.

The proceeds of any Multiple Advances shall be either (i) disbursed directly to the parties entitled thereto for services and/or materials supplied in connection with the Project; or (ii) deposited into the Construction Account and disbursed in accordance with the provisions of Section 301 hereof, in which event amounts on deposit in such Construction Account shall, until expended, to the extent that same shall exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, be fully secured by a pledge of U.S. Obligations.

The proceeds of the Current Bonds are hereby pledged to the repayment of such Multiple Advances, and such pledge shall constitute a first and prior pledge against such proceeds. The District further pledges the revenues of the System to the repayment of said Multiple Advances, subject to the vested rights and priorities of the pledges securing the Outstanding Bonds.

Section 303. Arbitrage Limitations on Investment of Proceeds. The District covenants and certifies, in compliance with the Code, on the basis of known facts and reasonable expectations on the date of adoption of this Resolution, that it is not expected that the proceeds of the Current Bonds will be used in a manner which would cause the Current Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code. The District covenants to the Owners of the Current Bonds that (1) the District will make no use of the proceeds of said Current Bonds which, if such use had been reasonably expected on the date of issue of such Current Bonds, would have caused such Current Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds"; and (2) the District will comply with all of the requirements of the Code to whatever extent is necessary to assure that the Current Bonds shall not be treated as or constitute "arbitrage bonds" and that the interest on the Bonds shall be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Prior to or at the time of delivery of the Current Bonds, the Chairman and/or the Treasurer (who are jointly and severally charged with the responsibility for the issuance of the Current Bonds) are authorized to execute such certifications as shall be required by Bond Counsel, setting out all known and contemplated facts concerning the anticipated construction, expenditures and investments, including the execution of necessary and/or desirable certifications of the type contemplated by Section 148 of the Code in order to assure that interest on the Current Bonds shall be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that the Current Bonds will not be treated as "arbitrage bonds".

# ARTICLE 4. FLOW OF FUNDS.

Section 401. Funds. There was heretofore created in the Prior Bond Resolution the following funds and accounts:

- (a) Meade County Water District Revenue Fund
- (b) Meade County Water District Sinking Fund of 1992.
- (c) Meade County Water District Depreciation Reserve Fund
- (d) Meade County Water District Operation and Maintenance Fund

The was created and established in the 2010 Bond Resolution the Meade County Water District Waterworks Sinking Fund of 2010.

All of the Funds shall be maintained with the Depository Bank so long as any Bonds remain outstanding. The District may change depository banks at its discretion.

Section 402. Flow of Funds. All proceedings preliminary to and in connection with the issuance of the Outstanding Bonds, including provisions made for (i) the receipt, custody and application of the proceeds of the Outstanding Bonds; (ii) the operation of the System on a revenue-producing basis; (iii) the segregation, allocation and custody of the revenues derived from the operation of the System; (iv) the enforcement and payment of the Outstanding Bonds and (v) the depreciation of the System; and all other covenants for the benefit of Bondowners set out in the Prior Bond Resolution, are hereby ratified and confirmed and shall continue in force and inure to the security and benefit of the Outstanding Bonds, the same as if such provisions and proceedings were set out in full herein; provided, further, that after the issuance of the Current Bonds, the income and revenues of the System shall be collected, segregated, accounted for and distributed as follows:

A. Revenue Fund. The District covenants and agrees that it will continue to deposit in the Revenue Fund, promptly as received from time to time, all revenues of the System, as same may be extended and improved from time to time. The moneys in the Revenue Fund shall continue to be used, disbursed and applied by the District only for the purpose and in the manner and order of priorities specified in the Prior Bond Resolution, as hereinafter modified by this Resolution, all as permitted by the Act, and in accordance with previous contractual commitments.

**B.** Prior Sinking Fund. There shall be transferred from the Revenue Fund and deposited into the Prior Sinking Fund on or before the 20th day of each month, for payment of interest on and principal of the Prior First Lien Bonds, a sum equal to the total of the following:

- A sum equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the next succeeding interest payment to become due on all Prior First Lien Bonds then outstanding, plus
- (2) A sum equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal of all of the Prior First Lien Bonds maturing on the next succeeding principal payment date.

Said Prior Sinking Fund shall be used solely and only and is hereby pledged for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Prior First Lien Bonds.

C. Current Sinking Fund. At or after the time that the Current Bonds have been delivered, there shall be transferred from the Construction Account into the Current Sinking Fund an amount sufficient (currently estimated at \$25,000) to provide for capitalized interest during the construction of the Project, if and to the extent not theretofore expended in paying interest on interim financing and if and to the extent then needed to pay interest during the remaining period of construction of the Project.

After the monthly transfers required in the preceding paragraphs have been paid from the Revenue Fund, there shall next be transferred monthly from said Revenue Fund and deposited into the Current Sinking Fund on or before the 20th day of each month, for payment of interest on and principal of the Current Bonds and the Series 2010 Bonds, a sum equal to the total of the following:

- An amount equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the next succeeding six-month interest payment to become due on the Current Bonds and the Series 2010 Bonds then outstanding, plus
- (2) A sum equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal of any Current Bonds and Series 2010 Bonds maturing on the next succeeding January 1.

The Current Sinking Fund is hereby pledged for the payment of the interest and the principal of the Current Bonds and the Series 2010 Bonds, but subject to the vested rights and priorities of the Prior First Lien Bonds.

**D. Depreciation Fund.** Upon the issuance of the Current Bonds, and upon completion of the Project, as certified by the Engineers and by the RD, there shall next be transferred from the Revenue Fund the sum of at least \$730 each month which shall be deposited into the Depreciation Fund until there is accumulated in such Depreciation Fund the sum of at least \$87,600, which amount shall be maintained, and when necessary, restored to said sum of \$87,600 so long as any of the Current Bonds are outstanding and unpaid.

As further security for the Bondowners and for the benefit of the District, it has been and is hereby provided that in addition to the monthly transfers required to be made from the Revenue Fund into the Depreciation Fund, there shall be deposited into said Depreciation Fund all proceeds of connection fees collected from potential customers (except the amounts necessary to pay the actual costs and service connections applicable to said potential customers) to aid in the financing of the cost of future extensions, additions and improvements to the System, plus the proceeds of any property damage insurance (not otherwise used to replace damaged or destroyed property); and any such amounts or proceeds so deposited shall be used solely and only for the purposes intended. Moneys in the Depreciation Fund may be withdrawn and used by the District, upon appropriate certification of the Commission, for the purpose of paying the cost of unusual or extraordinary maintenance, repairs, renewals and replacements not included in the annual budget of current expenses and/or of paying the costs of constructing future extensions, additions and improvements to the System which will either enhance its revenue-producing capacity or will provide a higher degree of service, and when necessary, for the purpose of making payments of principal and interest on the Bonds if the amount on deposit in the Sinking Fund is not sufficient to make such payments.

E. Operation and Maintenance Fund. There shall next be transferred monthly from the Revenue Fund and deposited into said Operation and Maintenance Fund, sums sufficient to meet the current expenses of operating and maintaining the System. The balance maintained in said Operation and Maintenance Fund shall not be in excess of the amount required to cover anticipated System expenditures for a two-month period pursuant to the District's annual budget.

F. Monthly Principal and Interest Payments if Requested by the RD. So long as any of the Bonds are held or insured by the RD, the District shall, if requested by the RD, make the payments required by this Section 402, in monthly installments to the RD or to the insured Owners of the Bonds.

G. Surplus Funds. Subject to the provisions for the disposition of the income and revenues of the System as set forth hereinabove, which provisions are cumulative, and after paying or providing for the payment of debt service on any subordinate obligations, there shall be transferred, within sixty days after the end of each fiscal year, the balance of excess funds in the Revenue Fund on such date, to the Depreciation Fund for application in accordance with the terms of this Resolution or to the Sinking Fund to be applied to the maximum extent feasible, to the prompt purchase or redemption of Outstanding Bonds.

H. Investment and Miscellaneous Provisions. All monies in the Sinking Fund and the Depreciation Fund shall be deposited in the Depository Bank, or such portion thereof as is designated by the Commission. All monies in the Sinking Fund and the Depreciation Fund shall be invested for the benefit of such respective Funds in Certificates of Time Deposit or savings accounts of the Depository Bank or in U.S. Obligations which may be converted readily into cash, having a maturity date prior to the date when the sums invested will be needed for the purposes for which such funds may be expended, provided that to the extent that any amount of the District on deposit in the Depository Bank shall cause the total deposits of the District in said Depository Bank to exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, such excess amount shall be continuously secured by a valid pledge of U.S. Obligations, having an equivalent market value, in conformity with Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Any investments will be a part of the respective Funds from which the proceeds invested are derived, and income from such investments will be credited to such respective Funds.

All investments of funds derived from proceeds of the Outstanding Bonds shall be subject to the applicable limitations set out in Section 303 hereof.

All payments into the Funds shall be made on or before the twentieth (20th) day of each month, except that when the twentieth (20th) day of any month shall be a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, then such payment shall be made on the next succeeding business day.

All monies held in any of the Funds shall be kept apart from all other District funds and shall be deposited in the Depository Bank, and all such deposits which cause the aggregate of all deposits of the District therein to be in excess of the amount secured by FDIC, shall (unless invested as herein authorized) be secured by a surety bond or bonds or by a pledge of U.S. Obligations, having a market value equivalent to such deposit.

The Treasurer shall keep appropriate records as to payment of principal and interest installments and as to payment of principal of and interest on any Bonds.

Section 403. Current Bonds on a Parity with Series 2010 Bonds, Subordinate to the Prior First Lien Bonds. It is hereby certified and declared that prior to the issuance of any of the Current Bonds, there will have been procured and filed with the District (i) a letter from the RD to the effect that the RD agrees to the issuance of the Current Bonds ranking on a parity as to security and source of payment with the Series 2010 Bonds, all of which are owned by the RD, together with (ii) a certification signed by the RD to the effect that a legend has been typed, stamped or otherwise affixed on each of the Series 2010 Bonds held by the RD, evidencing the agreement of the RD as the then Owner of the Series 2010 Bonds, to the issuance of the Current Bonds so as to rank on a parity with the Series 2010 Bonds, such legend to be in substantially the following form:

The holder of this Bond has consented to the issuance of \$2,000,000 of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 ranking on a parity as to security and source of payment with this Bond.

Accordingly, it is hereby found and declared that the Current Bonds shall rank and be payable on a parity with said outstanding Series 2010 Bonds from the gross income and revenues of the System, subject to the priorities of the Prior First Lien Bonds.

## ARTICLE 5. COVENANTS OF DISTRICT

Section 501. Rates and Charges. The District shall charge such rates and charges for all services and facilities rendered by the System, which rates and charges shall be reasonable, taking into account and consideration the cost and value of the System, the cost of maintaining, repairing and operating same and the amounts necessary for the payment of principal of and interest on Outstanding Bonds against the System. The District shall charge such rates and charges as shall be adequate to meet the requirements of Articles 4 and 5 hereof.

The District covenants that it will not reduce the rates and charges for the services rendered by the System without first filing with the Secretary a certification of an Independent Consulting Engineer that the annual net revenues (defined as gross revenues less operating expenses) of the then existing System for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such reduction is proposed, as such annual net revenues are adjusted, after taking into account the projected reduction in annual net revenues anticipated to result from any such proposed rate decrease, are equal to not less than 120% of the average annual debt service requirements for principal and interest on all of the then Outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, calculated in the manner specified in Section 603 hereof.

Section 502. Books and Accounts; Audit. The District shall maintain proper records and accounts relating to the operation of the System and the District's financial affairs; and the Bondowners, or their authorized representatives, shall have the right at all reasonable times to inspect the facilities of the System and all records, accounts and data relating thereto. An annual audit shall be made of the books and accounts pertinent to the System by a Certified Public Accountant licensed in Kentucky. No later than ninety (90) days after the close of each Fiscal Year, copies of such audit reports certified by such Certified Public Accountant shall be promptly mailed to the RD without request, so long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Bonds, and to any Bondowner that may have made a written request for same.

Monthly operating reports shall be furnished to the RD and to any Bondowner requesting same, during the first two (2) years of operation after completion of the Project, and whenever and so long as the District is delinquent in any of the covenants set out in the Prior Bond Resolution or this Current Bond Resolution. Thereafter, quarterly operating reports shall be furnished at all other times to the RD and to any Bondowner requesting the same.

Section 503. System to Continue to be Operated on Fiscal Year Basis; Annual Budget. While any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, and to the extent permitted by law, the System shall continue to be operated and maintained on a Fiscal Year basis.

Not later than sixty (60) days before the end of each Fiscal Year, the District agrees to cause to be prepared a proposed annual budget of operating expenses (the "Proposed Budget") of the System for the then ensuing Fiscal Year, itemized on the basis of monthly requirements. A copy of said Proposed Budget shall be mailed to any Bondowner who may request in writing a copy of such Proposed Budget and to the RD without request, if the Government is the Owner of any of the Bonds.

For the purpose of the Proposed Budget, operating expenses shall include all reasonable and necessary expenses of operating, repairing, maintaining and insuring the System, but shall exclude depreciation and debt service payments. The District covenants that the operating expenses incurred in any year will not exceed the reasonable and necessary amounts therefor, and that the District will not expend any amount or incur any obligation for operation or maintenance and repair in excess of the amounts provided for operating expenses in the annual budget, except upon resolution by the District that such expenses are necessary to operate and maintain the System.

Not later than sixty (60) days before the end of each Fiscal Year, the District shall prepare an estimate of gross revenues to be derived from the operation of the System for said Fiscal Year, and, to the extent that said gross revenues are insufficient (a) to pay debt service requirements on all Outstanding Bonds during the ensuing Fiscal Year, (b) to accumulate and maintain all required reserves enumerated herein and (c) to pay operating expenses, the District shall revise the rates and charges sufficiently to provide the funds so required.

If the Owners of at least 50% of the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds, or the Government so long as it is the Owner of any of said Outstanding Bonds, so request, the Commission shall hold an open hearing not later than thirty (30) days before the beginning of the ensuing Fiscal Year, at which time any Bondowner may appear by agent or attorney and may file written objections to such proposed budget. Notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be mailed at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing to each registered Bondowner and to the Government.

The District covenants that annually before the first day of the Fiscal Year, the annual budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year will be adopted substantially in accordance with the Proposed Budget, and that no expenditures for operation and maintenance expenses of the System in excess of the budgeted amount shall be made during such Fiscal Year unless directed by said District by a specific resolution duly adopted.

Section 504. General Covenants. The District, through its Commission, hereby covenants and agrees with the Owners of the Bonds that:

- It will faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the System required by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- (2) It will make and collect reasonable and sufficient rates and charges for services and facilities rendered by the System;
- (3) It will segregate the revenues and income from the System and make application thereof consistent with and as provided by this Resolution;

- (4) Unless the written consent of the Owners of a majority of the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds has been obtained, the District agrees not to sell, lease, mortgage or in any manner dispose of any integral part of the System, including any and all appurtenances thereto and extensions, additions and improvements that may be made thereto, until all of the Outstanding Bonds shall have been paid or provided for in full, as provided herein; subject to the provisions of Section 607 hereof;
- (5) It will maintain in good condition and continuously operate the System and appurtenances thereto and will charge such rates and charges for the services rendered thereby so that the gross income and revenues will be sufficient at all times (i) to pay the interest on and principal of the Outstanding Bonds as same become due; (ii) to pay the cost of operating and maintaining the System; and (iii) to provide for an adequate depreciation account; and
- (6) It will carry and maintain insurance on properties of the System subject to loss or damage in amounts and against hazards substantially in accordance with the practices of other districts, cities or corporations which own and maintain waterworks systems under similar conditions; and so long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Outstanding Bonds, the Government will be listed as co-beneficiary on any such policy; and the District shall further comply with the insurance requirements of Section 506 hereof (involving insurance on motors, tanks and structures).

Section 505. Other Covenants Applicable So Long as RD Owns Any Bonds. So long as the RD shall own any of the Bonds, the District shall comply with such RD regulations, requirements and requests as shall be made by the RD, including the furnishing of operating and other financial statements, in such form and substance and for such periods as may be requested by the RD, the carrying of insurance of such types and in such amounts as the RD may specify, with insurance carriers acceptable to the RD and compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the Loan Resolution (RD Form 1780-27) adopted and executed by the District, which is hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 506. Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity. The District covenants and agrees to comply with all applicable Federal laws and statutes, including but not limited to:

(a) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The District acknowledges that under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), no handicapped individual in the United States shall, solely by reason of their handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving RHS financial assistance. (b) Civil Rights Act of 1964. The District acknowledges that it is subject to, and its Facilities must be operated in accordance with, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d *et seq.*) and Subpart E of Part 1901 of said Title VI, particularly as it relates to conducting and reporting of compliance reviews.

(c) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. The District acknowledges that the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) [the "ADA Act"] prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, state and local government services, public transportation, public accommodations, facilities, and telecommunications. Title II of the ADA Act applies to facilities operated by state and local public entities that provide services, programs, and activities. Title III of the ADA Act applies to facilities owned, leased, or operated by private entities that accommodate the public.

(d) Age Discrimination Act of 1975. The District acknowledges that the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) provides that no person in the United States shall, on the basis of age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

(e) Limited English Proficiency (LEP) under Executive Order 13166. The District acknowledges that LEP statutes and authorities prohibit exclusion from participation in, denial of benefits of, and discrimination under Federally-assisted and/or conducted programs on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 covers program access for LEP persons. LEP persons are individuals who do not speak English as their primary language and who have a limited ability to read, speak, write or understand English. These individuals may be entitled to language assistance, free of charge. The District agrees to take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons receive the language assistance necessary to have meaningful access to RHS programs, services and information the District provides. These protections are pursuant to Executive Order 13166 entitled "Improving Access to Services by Persons with Limited English Proficiency" and further affirmed in the USDA Departmental Regulation 4330-005 "Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Persons with Limited English Proficiency in Programs and Activities Conducted by USDA.

Section 507. Insurance on Motors, Tanks and Structures. The District shall (a) immediately after the adoption of this Resolution and (b) at the time of final acceptance of the Project, insure all electric motors, elevated water storage tanks, pumping stations and major structures of the System in an amount recommended by the Engineers and approved by the RD, so long as the RD is the Owner of any of the Bonds, for the hazards usually covered in such area, and shall similarly insure same in an amount recommended by the Engineers, without the necessity of approval by the RD if and whenever the District has Outstanding Bonds against the System and none of such Outstanding Bonds are owned by the RD.

## ARTICLE 6. INFERIOR BONDS AND PARITY BONDS

Section 601. Inferior Bonds. Except as hereinafter provided below in this Article, the District shall not, so long as any Bonds are outstanding, issue any additional bonds payable from the revenues of the System unless the security and/or pledge of the revenues to secure such additional bonds are made inferior and subordinate in all respects to the security of the Bonds.

The District expressly reserves the right at any time to issue its bonds or other obligations payable from the revenues of the System and not ranking on a parity basis with the Current Bonds, without any proof of previous earnings or net revenues, provided that the consent of the RD must be obtained prior to the issuance of any inferior bonds so long as the RD owns any of the Bonds, and provided further that, after the initial completion of the Project, such inferior bonds may be issued only for the purpose of providing for future extensions, additions and improvements to the System, and only in express recognition of the priorities, liens and rights created and existing for the security, source of payment and protection of the Outstanding Bonds; provided further, that nothing in this Section is intended to restrict or shall be construed as a restriction upon, the ordinary refunding all or a portion of the Outstanding Bonds.

<u>Section 602. Parity Bonds to Complete the Project.</u> The District hereby certifies, covenants and agrees that in the event that the cost of completion of the construction of the Project shall exceed the moneys available to the District from any and all sources, the District shall have the right, if necessary, to provide for such excess, and only such excess, through the issuance of Parity Bonds, provided the District has obtained a certification from the Engineers to the effect that it is necessary to issue the desired amount of Parity Bonds in order to enable the District to pay the cost (not otherwise provided) of the completion of the Project, and provided the District has complied with the provisions of Section 603 below or has obtained:

- (a) the consent of the RD if the Government is as the Owner of the Prior Bonds at that time or the consent of any other Owners of the Prior Bonds, and
- (b) the consent of (1) the RD if the Government is the purchaser of the Current Bonds; or (2) the Owners of at least 75% of the principal amount of the Current Bonds outstanding, if the Current Bonds have been issued, sold and delivered and are held by Owners other than the Government.

Section 603. Parity Bonds to Finance Future Improvements. The District reserved the right and privilege, and does hereby reserve the right and privilege, of issuing additional Parity Bonds, but only under the conditions specified in the Current Bond Resolution, which conditions are as follows:

The District further reserves the right to add new waterworks facilities and/or to finance future extensions, additions and improvements to the System by the issuance of one or more additional series of Parity Bonds to be secured by a parity lien on and ratably payable on a parity with the Current Bonds, from the revenues of the System, provided:

(a) The facilities to be constructed from the proceeds of the additional Parity Bonds are made a part of the System and their revenues are pledged as additional security for the additional Parity Bonds and for the Outstanding Bonds.

(b) The District is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of the Outstanding Bonds.

(c) The annual net revenues (defined as gross revenues less operating expenses), of the then existing System for the Fiscal Year preceding the year in which such Parity Bonds are to be issued, adjusted as hereinafter provided, shall be certified by an independent Certified Public Accountant to be equal at least one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the average annual debt service requirements for principal and interest on all Outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, plus the anticipated debt service requirements of any Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued. The calculation of average annual debt service requirements on the additional Parity Bonds to be issued shall, regardless of whether such additional Parity Bonds are to be serial or term bonds, be determined on the basis of the principal of and interest on such Parity Bonds being payable in approximately equal annual installments.

(d) The annual net revenues referred to above may be adjusted for the purpose of the foregoing computations to reflect:

> any revisions in the System's schedule of rates or charges being imposed on or before the time of the issuance of any such additional Parity Bonds, and

> (2) any increase in the annual net revenues to be realized from the proposed extensions, additions and improvements being financed (in whole or in part) by such additional Parity Bonds;

provided all such adjustments shall be based upon and included in a certification of an Independent Consulting Engineer.

(e) Compliance with Section 603(a) through (d) shall not be necessary for the issuance of Parity Bonds if the District has obtained (1) the written consent of the RD for the issuance of such Parity Bonds, if the Government is the Owner of any Bonds at the time of issuance of such Parity Bonds; and (2) the written consent of the Owners of all of the then outstanding Prior Bonds, and no other prerequisite need be complied with by the District in order to issue Parity Bonds.

Section 604. Covenants to be Complied with at Time of Issuance of Parity Bonds. The District hereby covenants and agrees that in the event any Parity Bonds are issued, the District shall:

(a) Adjust the monthly amount to be deposited into the Sinking Fund on the same basis as that prescribed in the provisions establishing such Sinking Fund, to reflect the average annual debt service requirements of the Parity Bonds;

(b) Adjust the minimum annual amount to be deposited monthly into the Depreciation Fund on the same basis as that prescribed in the provisions establishing such Depreciation Fund, taking into account the future debt service requirements of all Bonds which will then be outstanding against the System; and

(c) Make such Parity Bonds payable as to principal on January 1 of each year in which principal falls due and payable as to interest on January 1 and July 1 of each year until the final maturity of such Parity Bonds.

Section 605. Prepayment Provisions Applicable to Parity Bonds. If, in connection with any subsequently issued series of Parity Bonds, it is provided that excess revenues in the Revenue Fund shall be used to prepay Outstanding Bonds in advance of scheduled maturity, or if the District at its option undertakes to prepay Outstanding Bonds in advance of scheduled maturity, it is agreed and understood, for so long as the Government owns any of the Outstanding Bonds, that no such prepayment will be effected without the approval of the RD.

<u>Section 606.</u> Consent of the RD Regarding Future Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Resolution, the District agrees that so long as the Government owns any Outstanding Bonds against and/or payable from the revenues of the System, the District will not issue any future bonds, notes or other obligations against, secured by or payable from the revenues of the System without the written consent of the RD.

Section 607. Priority of Lien; Permissible Disposition of Surplus or Obsolete Facilities. The District covenants and agrees that so long as any of the Prior Bonds and/or Bonds are outstanding, the District will not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the facilities of the System, or any part thereof, and, except as provided above, the District will not create or permit to be created any charge or lien on the revenues thereof ranking equal or prior to the charge or lien of the Outstanding Bonds. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District may at any time permanently abandon the use of, or sell at fair market value, any part of the facilities of the System, provided that:

- (a) The District is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of the Outstanding Bonds, and the required reserves for such Outstanding Bonds will have been accumulated;
- (b) The District will, in the event of any such sale, apply the proceeds to either (1) redemption of Outstanding Bonds in accordance with the provisions governing prepayment of bonds in advance of maturity; or (2) replacement

of the facility so disposed of by another facility, the revenues of which shall be incorporated into the System, as hereinbefore provided;

- (c) The District certifies, in good faith, prior to any abandonment of use, that the facilities to be abandoned are no longer economically feasible of producing net revenues; and
- (d) The District certifies, in good faith, that the estimated net revenues of the remaining facilities of the System for the then next succeeding Fiscal Year, plus the estimated net revenues of the facilities, if any, to be added to the System, comply with the earnings requirements hereinbefore provided in the provisions and conditions governing the issuance of Parity Bonds.

Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, so long as any Bonds are held by the Government, the District shall not dispose of its title to the System or to any part thereof, without first obtaining the written consent of the RD.

# ARTICLE 7. DEFAULT AND CONSEQUENCES

Section 701. Events of Default. The following items shall constitute an Event of Default on the part of the District:

- (a) The failure to pay principal of the Bonds as and when same shall become due and payable, either at maturity or by proceedings for redemption.
- (b) The failure to pay any installment of interest on the Bonds when the same shall become due and payable or, if any or all of the Outstanding Bonds are owned by the RD, within thirty (30) days thereafter.
- (c) The default by the District in the due or punctual performance of any of the covenants, conditions, agreements and provisions contained in the Bonds, the Prior Bond Resolution or in this Resolution.
- (d) The failure to promptly repair, replace or reconstruct facilities of the System that have been damaged and/or destroyed.
- (e) The entering of any order or decree with the consent or the acquiescence of the District, appointing a receiver of all or any part of the System or any revenues thereof; or if such order or decree shall be entered without the acquiescence or consent of the District, its failure to have the order vacated, discharged or stayed on appeal within sixth (60) days after entry.

Section 702. Consequences of Event of Default. Any Owner of the Current Bonds may enforce and compel the performance of all duties and obligations of the District set forth herein. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, then upon the filing of a suit by any Owner of said the Current Bonds, any court having jurisdiction of the action may appoint a receiver to administer said System on behalf of the District with power to charge and collect rates sufficient to provide for the payment of operating and maintenance expenses and for the payment of principal of and interest on the Outstanding Bonds and to provide and apply the income and revenues in conformity with this Resolution and with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The District hereby agrees to transfer to any bona fide receiver or other subsequent operator of the System, pursuant to any valid court order in a proceeding brought to enforce collection or payment of the District's obligations, all contracts and other rights of the District pertaining to the System, conditionally, for such time only as such receiver or operator shall operate by authority of the court. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Owner of any of the Outstanding Bonds may require the governing body of the District by appropriate order to raise the rates a reasonable amount consistent with the requirements of this Resolution.

# ARTICLE 8. CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS; MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

Section 801. Resolution Contractual with Bondowners. The provisions of this Resolution constitute a contract between the District and its Commission and the Owners of the Current Bonds as may be outstanding from time to time; and after the issuance of any of said Current Bonds, no change, alteration or variation of any kind of the provisions of this Resolution shall be made in any manner which will affect an Owner's rights except as herein provided or except with the written consent of all Bondowners until such time as all of the Current Bonds and the interest thereon have been paid in full or fully provided for; provided that the Commission may adopt any resolution for any purpose not inconsistent with the terms of this Resolution and which shall not impair the security of the Owners of the Current Bonds and/or for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective or inconsistent provisions contained herein or in any resolution or other proceedings pertaining hereto.

It is further agreed that the Owners of 75% in principal amount of the Current Bonds at any time outstanding shall have the right to consent to and approve the adoption of resolutions or other proceedings, modifying or amending any of the terms or provisions contained in this Resolution, subject to the conditions that (a) this Resolution shall not be so modified in any manner that may adversely affect the rights of the Owners of any of the Prior Bonds, nor in any manner that may adversely affect the rights of any certain Owners of the Outstanding Bonds without similarly affecting the rights of all Owners of such Outstanding Bonds, or to reduce the percentage of the number of Owners whose consent is required to effect a further modification and (b) no such change may be effected without the consent of the RD so long as the RD owns any of the Outstanding Bonds.

Section 802. All Current Bonds are Equal. The Current Bonds authorized herein shall not be entitled to priority one over the other in the application of the income and revenues of the System, or with respect to the security for their payment, regardless of the time or times of their issuance, it being the intention that there shall be no priority among any of the Current Bonds regardless of the fact that they may be actually issued and delivered at different times.

Section 803. District Obligated to Refund Current Bonds Owned by Government Whenever Feasible: Defeasement Prohibited. So long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Current Bonds, if it appears to the Government that the District is able to refund such Current Bonds in whole or in part, by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private credit sources, or to sell bonds of the District in the open market, at reasonable rates and terms, for loans or bond issues for similar purposes and periods of time, the District will, upon request of the Government, obtain such loan and/or issue such bonds in sufficient amount to repay the Government and will take all such action as may be required in connection therewith.

In addition, so long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Current Bonds, the District shall not issue any bonds or other obligations for the purpose of defeasing or otherwise terminating the lien of the Current Bonds without immediately prepaying all of the then outstanding Current Bonds.

Section 804. Authorization, Ratification and Confirmation of Approval and Execution of Various Documents. The Commission hereby authorizes, approves, ratifies and confirms the previous action of the officers of the District in approving and executing various documents related to the financing of the Project, including the following:

- (a) Legal Services Agreement with Bond Counsel.
- (b) Legal Services Agreement with Local Counsel.
- (c) Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions of RD Letter of Conditions (RD Form 1942-46).
- (d) Loan Resolution (RD Form 1780-27).
- (e) Agreement for Engineering Services with the Engineers.

Section 805. Authorization of Condemnation to Acquire Easements and/or Sites. In the event that (a) any necessary deeds of easement to allow construction of the Project over the property of any property owner or (b) any necessary deed to the necessary site of any waterworks facility of the Project shall not be obtained through negotiation within ten (10) days after the date of adoption of this Resolution and in the event that (1) such waterworks lines cannot be located within the right-of-way of the State and/or County road involved; and/or (2) such waterworks facilities cannot be located on a site already owned by the District, Local Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to file condemnation actions to obtain such necessary rights-of-way and/or sites forthwith, without further authorization or direction from the District or the Commission. Local Counsel is further directed to follow the same condemnation procedure in the event that it becomes necessary, through change orders, line extensions and/or errors in the location of property lines and/or property owners, to obtain additional easements, rights-of-way and/or sites for completion of the Project and whenever the necessary deed is not obtained by negotiation at least ten (10) days prior to the date on which construction is contemplated in the respective easement, right-of-way and/or site.

The District further approves the payment from the funds available therefor allocated to the costs of the Project to pay any judgment award, or compromise, determined by Local Counsel with the acquiescence of the Commission, toward the costs of such easements, rights-of-way and/or sites; provided, in each instance, that the payment of such funds to satisfy any judgment, award or compromise must first be approved by the RD; and the Commission further determines that if and to whatever extent the funds available from the proceeds of the financing contemplated by this Resolution shall be inadequate to pay any judgment, award or compromise amount for such easements, rights-of-way and/or sites, or if the District is unable to obtain the approval of the RD for any such payment, the Commission shall take all reasonably necessary actions, within the powers and authority of the Commission, to make such additional amount available from all other available District resources.

Section 806. Authorization to File Required Financing Statements. In the event that it is determined by Bond Counsel or Local Counsel that the District is required to file any financing statements under the Kentucky Uniform Commercial Code in order to perfect the pledge of the gross revenues of the District's System as security for the Current Bonds, Bond Counsel and/or Local Counsel are hereby authorized to prepare and file with the appropriate officials such financing statements as they deem necessary.

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### ARTICLE 9. SALE OF CURRENT BONDS

Section 901. Sale of Current Bonds. The Current Bonds shall be offered publicly for sale upon the basis of sealed, competitive bids at such time as the Commission shall designate.

A suggested form of "Notice of Bond Sale", a suggested form of "Official Notice of Sale of Bonds" and a suggested form of "Bid Form", having been prepared in advance by Bond Counsel, and all of such documents having been found to be in satisfactory form, a copy of each is hereby ordered to be filed in the records of the Secretary with the Minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution is adopted. The Notice of Bond Sale shall be signed by the Secretary and may be used for the purpose of publishing notice of the sale of the Current Bonds. Copies of such documents shall be furnished to any interested parties who may request same.

In the event that there is no bid or that all bids are rejected, the District may readvertise the sale pursuant to this Resolution.

Section 902. Adjustment in Maturities, Prepayment Provisions and Other Dates, with Consent of Purchaser if Delivery is Delayed. In the event that delivery of the Current Bonds authorized herein is delayed for any reason and the District, with the consent of the Purchaser of the Current Bonds, determines it is in the District's best interest to change the maturities, the applicable prepayment date or any other dates, the District may adjust the same by a Resolution of the Commission approving the adjustments.

### **ARTICLE 10. CONCLUDING PROVISIONS**

Section 1001. Covenant of District to Take All Necessary Action To Assure Compliance with the Code. In order to assure the Owners of the Current Bonds that such Current Bonds shall continue to be legal and that interest thereon will continue to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and exempt from all Kentucky income taxation, the District covenants to and with the Owners of the Current Bonds to take the following action:

(a) The District will (1) take all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code necessary to assure that interest on the Current Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; (2) will take no actions which will violate any of the provisions of the Code; and (3) not use the proceeds of the Current Bonds for any purpose which will cause interest on the Current Bonds or on interim financing obligations, including, but not limited to the Note, issued pursuant to Section 302 hereof to become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

(b) The District hereby certifies that it does not reasonably anticipate that the total principal amount of "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code which the District, or any subordinate entity of the District, will issue during the calendar year during which the Current Bonds are issued, will exceed \$10,000,000; and therefore the District hereby designates the Current Bonds and all interim financing obligations, including, but not limited to the Note, issued pursuant to Section 302 hereof as "qualified tax-exempt obligations".

(c) The District further certifies that the Current Bonds and any and all interim financing obligations of the District are not "private activity bonds" within the meaning of the Code,

The District covenants and agrees to comply with the rebate requirements (d) on certain excess earnings imposed by Section 148 of the Code, and in the event it is determined by the District, upon the advice of Bond Counsel, that the Construction Account, or any other Fund established hereunder, is subject to said rebate requirements and does in fact generate earnings from "non-purpose investments" in excess of the amount which said investments would have earned at a rate equal to the "yield" on the Current Bonds, plus any income attributable to such excess, there shall be established a separate and special fund with the Depository Bank, which fund shall be designated the "Excess Earnings and Rebate Fund", which shall be utilized for the collection and payment of any excess generated from investments and the remittance thereof to the United States of America on or before the anniversary of the fifth (5th) year from the date of the Current Bonds, and once every five (5) years thereafter until the final retirement of the Current Bonds; the last installment, to the extent required, to be made no later than sixty (60) days following the date on which funds sufficient for the complete retirement of the Current Bonds are deposited with any escrow agent. The District further covenants to file any and all reports, if any, as may be required to be filed with the Government with regard to the liability or non-liability of the District as to any such

rebate requirements and to maintain records in regard thereto for the period of time required by applicable Treasury regulations.

Section 1002. Severability Clause. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution, which shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 1003. All Provisions in Conflict Repealed. All motions, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed. It is hereby specifically ordered and provided that any proceedings heretofore taken for the issuance of other bonds of the District payable or secured in any manner by all or any part of the income and revenues of said System or any part thereof, and which have not been heretofore issued and delivered, are hereby revoked and rescinded, and none of such other bonds shall be issued and delivered. The District covenants to correct by appropriate proceedings any required procedure previously taken invalidly.

Section 1004. Effective Immediately Upon Adoption. This Resolution shall take effect and be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted this September 26, 2017.

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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(Seal of District)

Attest:

Secretary

# CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Meade County Water District and that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of said District, signed by the Chairman of said District and attested under Seal by me as Secretary, at a properly convened meeting of said Board of Commissioners held on September 26, 2017, as shown by the official records of said District in my custody and under my control.

I further certify that said meeting was duly held in accordance with all applicable requirements of Kentucky law, including KRS 61.810, 61.815, 61.820 and 61.825, that a quorum was present at said meeting, that said Resolution has not been modified, amended, revoked or repealed, and that same is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my signature as Secretary and the official Seal of the District this September 26, 2017.

Secretary

(Seal of District)

#### BOND RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OF THE MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$2,506,170 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT WATERWORKS REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COST (NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED) OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF EXTENSIONS, ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF SAID DISTRICT; SETTING FORTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS UPON WHICH SAID BONDS MAY BE ISSUED AND OUTSTANDING; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION, SEGREGATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE REVENUES OF SAID WATERWORKS SYSTEM; AND PROVIDING FOR AN ADVERTISED, PUBLIC, COMPETITIVE SALE OF SAID BONDS.

WHEREAS, the waterworks system (the "System") of the Meade County Water District (the "District") is owned and operated by said District pursuant to Chapters 58 and 74 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes (the "Act"), and

WHEREAS, the District presently has outstanding certain Prior Bonds (as hereinafter defined), which Prior Bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of the revenues derived from the operation of the System, and

WHEREAS, all of the Prior Bonds presently outstanding are current as to payment of both principal and interest, and for the security of which a certain Sinking Fund and certain reserves are being maintained in the manner and by the means prescribed in the Prior Bond Resolution (as hereinafter defined) of the District, authorizing the Prior Bonds, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the District at this time to authorize and provide for the issuance of revenue bonds in the principal amount of \$2,506,170 (the "Current Bonds"), for the purpose of financing the cost (not otherwise provided) of the construction of extensions, additions and improvements to the System of the District, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by HDR Engineering, Inc. and to prescribe the covenants of the District, the rights of Bondowners and the details of the issuance and sale of the proposed Current Bonds, and

WHEREAS, the District desires and intends that the Current Bonds be issued on a parity with the Series 2010 Bonds, subject to the vested rights and priorities in favor of the owners of the outstanding Prior First Lien Bonds, and

WHEREAS, the District will apply to the Kentucky Public Service Commission for issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the construction of said extensions, additions and improvements, and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, AS FOLLOWS:

# ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS; PURPOSE; AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS; SECURITY.

Section 101. Definitions. As used in this Resolution, unless the context requires otherwise:

"Act" refers to Chapters 58 and 74 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

"Beginning Month" refers to the month following the month in which the Current Bonds authorized herein are issued, sold and delivered to the Purchaser thereof.

"Bond Counsel" refers to an attorney or firm of attorneys recognized nationally as experts in the field of municipal bond law and shall be deemed to refer to Rubin & Hays, Louisville, Kentucky, or their successors.

"Bondowner" or "Owner" refer to registered Owners of the Current Bonds at the time issued and outstanding hereunder.

"Bonds" collectively refers to the outstanding Current Bonds, Prior Bonds and the Parity Bonds.

"Bonds of 1992" or "Series 1992 Bonds" refer to the outstanding Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds of 1992, dated February 4, 1993, in the original authorized principal amount of \$415,000.

"Bonds of 2010" or "Series 2010 Bonds" refer to the outstanding Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 (Build America Bonds - Direct Payment), dated December 20, 2010, in the original authorized principal amount of \$2,150,000.

"Bonds of 2017" or "Series 2017 Bonds" refer to the outstanding Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, dated July 19, 2018, in the original authorized principal amount of \$2,000,000.

"Bond Resolution of 1992" or "1992 Bond Resolution" refer to the Resolution authorizing the Bonds of 1992, duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the District on July 21, 1992.

"Bond Resolution of 2010" or "2010 Bond Resolution" refer to the Resolution authorizing the Bonds of 2010, duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the District on January 26, 2010.

"Bond Resolution of 2017" or "2017 Bond Resolution" refer to the Resolution authorizing the Bonds of 2017, duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the District on September 26, 2017.

"Chairman" refers to the elected or appointed Chairman or Chairperson of the Commission.

"Code" refers to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations relating thereto.

"Commission" refers to the Board of Commissioners of the District, or such other body as shall be the governing body of said District under the laws of Kentucky at any given time.

"Construction Account" refers to the Meade County Water District Waterworks Construction Account, created in Section 301(B) of this Current Bond Resolution.

"Contractors" refers to the general contractors who have been employed by the District to construct the Project.

"Current Bond Resolution" or "Resolution" refer to this Resolution authorizing the Current Bonds.

"Current Bonds" refers to the \$2,506,170 of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 authorized by this Resolution, to be dated as of the date of issuance thereof.

"Current Sinking Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Waterworks Sinking Fund of 2010, described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Depository Bank" refers to the bank, which shall be a member of the FDIC, which bank is Meade County Bank, Brandenburg, Kentucky, or its successor.

"Depreciation Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Depreciation Reserve Fund, described in Section 402 of this Resolution.

"District" refers to the Meade County Water District.

"Engineers" refers to the Engineers or any one of them, who prepared the plans and specifications for the construction of the Project and who will supervise the construction thereof and/or will furnish full time resident inspection of the construction of the Project, and shall be deemed to refer to HDR Engineering, Inc., or a member of said firm, or their successors.

"Event of Default" refers to one or more of the Events of Default set forth in Section 701 of this Resolution.

"FDIC" refers to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or its successors.

"Fiscal Year" refers to the annual accounting period of the District, beginning on January 1, and ending on December 31, of each year.

"Funds" refers to the Construction Account, the Revenue Fund, the Prior Sinking Fund, the Current Sinking Fund, the Depreciation Fund and the Operation and Maintenance Fund.

"Government" refers to the United States of America, or any agency thereof, including RD.

"Independent Consulting Engineer" refers to a consulting engineer or a firm of consulting engineers of recognized excellent reputation in the field of waterworks system engineering, and such definition includes the Engineers named above.

"Interim Lender" refers to Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, Bowling Green, Kentucky, its successors or assigns; or any other financial institution or governmental agency approved by the District.

"KIA Loans" refer to the two outstanding Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Loans to the District.

"KRWFC Loan" refers to the outstanding Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation Loan to the District in the original authorized principal amount of \$605,000.

"Local Counsel" refers to Dustin C. Humphrey, Esq., Radcliff, Kentucky, or any other attorney or firm of attorneys designated by the District.

"Multiple Advances" refers to the advance of loan funds from the RD as described in Section 302 of this Resolution.

"Note" refers to a single note or any number of notes, in such form as may be prescribed by the Interim Lender, including any revenue bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to Chapter 58 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, including any renewal or extensions of the Note, issued by the District evidencing the interim financing for the Project as prescribed in Section 302 of this Resolution.

"Operation and Maintenance Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Operation and Maintenance Fund described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Outstanding Bonds" refers to the outstanding Bonds, and does not refer to, nor include, any Bonds for the payment of the principal and interest of which sufficient funds will have been deposited and earmarked for payment of Bonds; provided all Outstanding Bonds of any series held by the RD shall be deemed to constitute Outstanding Bonds until paid regardless of the deposit of funds to pay for same.

"Parity Bonds" refers to bonds which may be issued in the future which, pursuant to this Resolution, rank on a basis of parity with the outstanding Bonds, as to priority, security and source of payment, and does not refer to bonds which might be issued so as to rank inferior to the security and source of payment of the outstanding Bonds.

"Prior Bonds" refers collectively to the Series 1992 Bonds, the KRWFC Loan, the KIA Loans, the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds.

"Prior Bond Resolution" refers to the 1992 Bond Resolution, the 2010 Bond Resolution and the 2017 Bond Resolution.

"Prior First Lien Bonds" refers collectively to the Series 1992 Bonds, the KRWFC Loan and the KIA Loans.

"Prior Sinking Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Sinking Fund of 1992, described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Project" refers specifically to the construction of the currently proposed extensions, additions and improvements to the System of the District, which Project is being financed by the Current Bonds and by other funds.

"Purchaser" refers to the agency, person, firm or firms, or their successors, to whom the Current Bonds herein authorized are awarded at the public sale of the Current Bonds.

"RD" refers to the United States Department of Agriculture, acting through Rural Development.

"Required Signatures" refers to the signatures necessary to be obtained with reference to the approval of the expenditures to be made from the Construction Account, which required signatures shall consist of the signatures of (1) the Chairman; (2) the Engineers; and (3) the Purchaser; provided, however, any expenditures for issuance and administrative costs and the costs of any equipment which is not permanently affixed to the real estate shall not require the signature or the approval of the Engineers.

"Revenue Fund" refers to the Meade County Water District Revenue Fund, described in Section 401 of this Resolution.

"Secretary" refers to the elected or appointed Secretary of the Commission.

"System" refers to the existing waterworks system of the District, together with all extensions, additions and improvements to said System.

"Treasurer" refers to the elected or appointed Treasurer of the Commission.

"U.S. Obligations" refers to bonds or notes which are the direct obligations of the United States of America, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by the United States of America. All words and terms importing the singular number shall, where the context requires, import the plural number and vice versa. Unless otherwise indicated, references to Articles or Sections refers to those in this Resolution.

Section 102. Purpose. The Current Bonds shall be issued for the purpose of financing the cost (not otherwise provided) of the Project, as set out in the plans and specifications prepared by the Engineers. The Commission hereby declares the System of the District, including the extensions, additions and improvements to be constructed, to constitute a revenue producing public project, and said System shall continue to be owned, controlled, operated and maintained by the District as a revenue producing public project pursuant to the Act, so long as any Bonds remain outstanding.

Section 103. Construction Award Approved; Work Authorized. The Commission hereby authorizes, approves, ratifies and confirms its previous action in advertising for and taking steps toward awarding the contracts for the construction of the Project to the lowest and best bidders, and further approves the action of the District officials in entering into formal contracts with said bidders, subject to the necessary approvals being obtained. Authority is hereby given for undertaking the construction of the Project according to the plans and specifications heretofore prepared by the Engineers for the District, after all necessary approvals have been obtained.

Section 104. Declaration of Period of Usefulness. The Commission hereby declares that the period of usefulness of the System is more than forty (40) years from the date of completion of the Project.

Section 105. Authorization of Bonds. The District has heretofore determined that the total cost of the Project, including preliminary expenses, land and rights-of-way, engineering expense, capitalized interest during construction, legal and administrative costs, publication costs, initial deposits required and all incidental expenses, will not exceed \$2,506,170. Therefore, it is hereby determined to be necessary in order for the District to finance the cost of the Project that the District issue a total of \$2,506,170 of Current Bonds.

Accordingly, for the purpose of financing the cost of the Project, under the provisions of the Act, there is hereby authorized to be issued and sold \$2,506,170 principal amount of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2021.

The Current Bonds shall be dated as of the date of delivery to the Purchaser thereof; shall bear interest from such date at such interest rate as may be fixed by supplemental resolution as a result of the advertised sale and competitive bidding for such Current Bonds, as hereinafter provided; and shall be issued and delivered as prescribed in Section 202 hereof.

Interest on the Current Bonds shall be payable semiannually on January 1 and July 1 of each year, provided that the first interest payment period will cover interest only from the date of delivery of the Current Bonds to the ensuing January 1 or July 1, as the case may be. Principal of the Current

Bonds shall be payable on January 1 of each of the respective years until maturity, as set out in Section 201 hereof.

Section 106. Recognition of Prior Bonds. The District hereby expressly recognizes and acknowledges that the District has previously created for the benefit and protection of the owners of the Prior Bonds, a certain lien and pledge and certain security rights relating to the System, all as set forth in the Prior Bonds.

Section 107. Current Bonds Shall be Payable on Out of Gross Revenues. The Current Bonds, the Series 2010 Bonds, the Series 2017 Bonds and any additional Parity Bonds that may be issued under the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth, shall be payable solely out of the gross revenues of the System, subject to the priority of the Prior First Lien Bonds.

<u>Section 108. Lien on Contracts.</u> In addition to the revenue pledge securing the Bonds, a lien is hereby created and granted in favor of the Bondowners on all contracts, and on all other rights of the District pertaining to the System, enforceable by assignment to any receiver or other operator proceeding by authority of any court.

### ARTICLE 2. THE BONDS; BOND FORM; PREPAYMENT.

Section 201. Principal Payments. Principal payments due on the Current Bonds shall be as set forth in the schedule of maturities set out in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution and incorporated herein.

Section 202. Issuance of Current Bonds; Bond Form. The Purchaser of the Current Bonds at the public sale shall take delivery of the Current Bonds in the form of one or more fully registered bonds, as set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein, amounting in the aggregate to the principal amount of the Current Bonds authorized herein, maturing as to principal as set out in Section 201. The Current Bonds shall be numbered R-1 and consecutively upward thereafter. Such Current Bonds shall, upon appropriate execution on behalf of the District as prescribed, constitute the entire bond issue herein authorized, shall be negotiable (subject to registration requirements as to transferability), registered as to principal and interest and payable as directed by the registered Owner.

Section 203. Place of Payment and Manner of Execution. Both principal of and interest on the Current Bonds shall be payable at the place and in the manner set out in the form of such Current Bond. The Current Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the District by the manual or facsimile signature of the Chairman of the District, with the Corporate Seal of the District affixed thereto and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary of said District.

If either of the officers whose signatures appear on the Current Bonds ceases to be such officer before delivery of said Current Bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid for all purposes the same as if such officers had remained in office until delivery.

Section 204. Provisions as to Prepayment. Except when all of the Current Bonds are held by the Government, principal maturities falling due prior to January 1, 2030, shall not be subject to prepayment. Principal maturities falling due on and after January 1, 2030, shall be subject to prepayment by the District on any date falling on and after January 1, 2029, at par plus accrued interest, without any prepayment penalty.

So long as the registered owner of the Current Bonds is the United States of America, or any agency thereof, the entire principal amount of the Current Bonds, or installments in multiples of \$100, may be prepaid at any time in inverse chronological order of the installments due. Prepayments or extra payments on the Current Bonds shall, after payment of interest, be applied to the installments last to become due hereunder and shall not affect the obligation of the District to pay the remaining installments in accordance with the Current Bonds.

Notice of such prepayment shall be given by certified mail to the Bondowner or his assignee, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for prepayment. Notice of such prepayment may be waived with the written consent of the Bondowner.

# ARTICLE 3. CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT; INTERIM FINANCING; APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS; ARBITRAGE LIMITATIONS.

Section 301. Construction Account: Application of Proceeds of Bonds: Other Transfers and Deposits. The Treasurer, or such other District official as shall be designated by the Commission, shall be the custodian of all funds belonging to and associated with the System. All moneys in excess of the amount insured by the FDIC in the Construction Account shall be secured by the Depository Bank in accordance with U. S. Treasury Department Circular No. 176. The officials of the District entrusted with the receipt and disbursement of revenues of the System and the custody of valuable property shall be covered by a fidelity bond in the amount of not less than \$325,000 (the "Fidelity Bond"), or such larger amount as the RD may require, which Fidelity Bond shall be effective and secured by a surety company approved by the RD so long as it is owner of any of the Current Bonds. The RD and the District shall be named co-obligees in such Fidelity Bond and the amount thereof shall not be reduced without the written consent of the RD. Whenever sums in the Funds shall exceed \$325,000, the Fidelity Bond shall be increased accordingly as requested by and with the approval of the RD.

A. Covenants Applicable if RD Purchases Current Bonds. It is acknowledged that all covenants herein with reference to the necessity for approval of the RD, the necessity of observing RD regulations and procedures and the necessity of using RD forms (the "RD Forms"), shall apply only if the RD is the Purchaser of the Current Bonds and only so long as the RD holds the Current Bonds thereafter. In the event that the RD shall not be the Purchaser of the Current Bonds, or, after purchasing same, shall sell or transfer the Current Bonds to an Owner who shall not be the Government, all covenants herein with reference to the necessity for approval of the RD, the necessity of observing RD regulations and procedures, and the necessity of using RD Forms, shall not be applicable.

B. Application of Proceeds of Current Bonds. The proceeds of the Current Bonds shall be applied as follows:

(1) Payment of Interim Financing, Costs of Project and Costs of Issuance. Simultaneously with the delivery of the Current Bonds, there shall immediately be paid to the Interim Lender (or the RD if Multiple Advances are made) an amount sufficient to pay principal of and interest on any temporary loans borrowed by the District in anticipation of the sale and delivery of the Current Bonds. Also, at the time of delivery of the Current Bonds, there shall be paid all amounts then due and payable in connection with the costs of the Project and in connection with the issuance of the Current Bonds.

(2) Construction Account. If and to the extent that the proceeds of the Current Bonds shall be in excess of the amount necessary to pay the interest, principal and costs referred to in subparagraph B(1) of this Section, such excess amount shall immediately be deposited in the "Meade County Water District Waterworks Construction Account" hereby created, which shall be established at the Depository Bank. (3) Withdrawal of Funds From Construction Account. Prior to the expenditure by the District of any moneys from the Construction Account, the District must obtain written approval from the RD as to such expenditures, if the RD is the Owner of any Outstanding Bonds. The proceeds of said Construction Account shall be withdrawn only on checks signed by the Chairman, the Treasurer (or by such other official of the District as may be authorized by the Commission), provided such official shall be covered by the Fidelity Bond required by Section 301 of this Resolution, in payment for services and/or materials supplied in connection with the Project, as evidenced by (1) a Requisition Certificate; and (2) invoices and/or partial payment estimates bearing the written approval of the Engineers and the Chairman (or by such other official of the District as may be authorized by the Invoices and/or partial payment estimates must have been reviewed and approved for payment by the designated RD official.

Written approval or certification of the Engineers shall not be required for matters not under the jurisdiction of the Engineers, such as legal fees, land acquisition and related items.

During construction, the District shall disburse Construction Account funds in a manner consistent with RD Instruction 1780.

The District shall prepare and submit any and all RD Forms required by the RD. Periodic audits of the District's Construction Account records shall be made by RD as determined by it to be necessary.

(4) Transfer of Capitalized Interest to Current Sinking Fund. There shall be transferred from the Construction Account an amount sufficient to provide for capitalized interest (initially estimated at \$30,000) during the construction of the Project, as approved by the Engineers and by the RD. If and to the extent not theretofore expended in paying interest on interim financing and if and to the extent then needed to pay interest during the remaining period of construction of the Project, such amount so transferred from the Construction Account shall be deposited in the Current Sinking Fund.

(5) Investment of Funds in Construction Account. Pending disbursement of amounts on deposit in the Construction Account, all such funds, or such portion of said amounts on deposit in said Construction Account as is designated by the Commission, shall be invested for the benefit of such Construction Account in Certificates of Deposit, savings accounts or U.S. Obligations which may be converted readily into cash, having a maturity date prior to the date when the sums invested will be needed for costs of the Project (as determined by the Engineers, the Chairman and the RD), provided that to the extent that any amounts on deposit in said Depository Bank shall cause the total deposits of the District in said Depository Bank to exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, the same shall be continuously secured by a valid pledge of U.S. Obligations, having an equivalent market value, in conformity with Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. Investments in Certificates of Deposit or savings accounts may be made only in such

Certificates or accounts of an FDIC bank. Any such investments will be a part of the Construction Account, and income from such investments will be credited to the Construction Account. All such investments shall be subject to the limitations set out in Section 303 hereof.

# (6) Statements of Contractors, Engineers and Attorneys as to Payment.

Prior to the delivery of the Current Bonds, if the RD is the Purchaser of the Current Bonds, the District will be required to provide the RD with statements from the Contractors, Engineers and attorneys for the District that they have been paid to date in accordance with their contract or other agreements and, in the case of any Contractor, that he has paid his suppliers and subcontractors. Any exceptions must be authorized under RD Instruction 1780.

(7) Disposition of Balance in Construction Account After Completion of Project. When the Project has been completed and all construction costs have been paid in full, as certified by the Engineers for the District and/or by the RD, any balance then remaining in the Construction Account may, with the consent of the RD, be applied to the cost of constructing additional extensions, additions and improvements to the System (the "Additional Construction"). If such Additional Construction is to be undertaken by the Contractors previously engaged in the Project, such Additional Construction may be authorized by a change order.

If there is a balance remaining in the Construction Account after such Additional Construction, such balance shall be transferred to the Current Sinking Fund, whereupon said Construction Account shall be closed. Such remaining balance in the Construction Account so transferred to the Current Sinking Fund shall be used by the District immediately to prepay principal installments due on the Current Bonds in the inverse order of maturities without prepayment penalty, provided further that any balance insufficient to prepay at least \$100 of the principal payment falling due in any year on the Bonds will be transferred to the Depreciation Fund.

#### Section 302. Interim Financing Authorization.

A. Interim Financing. The District shall use interim financing for the Project during construction of that portion of the cost of the Project financed by the Current Bonds, if available at reasonable rates and terms.

The borrowing of up to the aggregate sum of \$2,506,170 from the Interim Lender is hereby authorized; and the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the Note in the name and on behalf of the District. Each advance under the Note shall evidence a loan by the Interim Lender to the District for services rendered and/or materials supplied in connection with the Project, as evidenced by a Requisition Certificate.

Interim financing shall be disbursed as follows:

(1) At the direction of the District, the Interim Lender shall disburse the proceeds of the Note by cashier's checks directly to the parties entitled thereto as set forth in the Requisition Certificate; or

(2) At the direction of the District, the Interim Lender shall deposit the proceeds of the Note in the Construction Account, in which event amounts of the District on deposit therein shall, until expended to the extent that same shall exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, be fully secured by a pledge of U.S. Obligations.

The aggregate of the principal amount of all Notes shall not exceed \$2,506,170. Each Note which is renewed or superseded shall be simultaneously cancelled by the Interim Lender and transmitted to the Treasurer. The rate of interest applicable to each Note shall not exceed a reasonable rate, which rate is subject to the approval of the RD.

The total authorized interim financing of \$2,506,170 shall be the maximum indebtedness which the District may owe at any one time to the Interim Lender for the purpose of providing temporary construction financing for the Project; provided, however, that the District may reduce the amount owed by the District to the Interim Lender from time to time as and when funds are available to the District and may reborrow from the Interim Lender additional amounts in anticipation of the further receipt by the District of additional proceeds from the Current Bonds.

The District hereby covenants and agrees with the Interim Lender that upon the issuance and delivery of the Current Bonds, the District will apply the proceeds thereof, to whatever extent may be necessary, in payment of the principal amount of the Note, together with accrued interest thereon to the date of such payment; and the proceeds of the Current Bonds are hereby pledged therefor, and such pledge shall constitute a first and prior charge against said proceeds.

The District further pledges the revenues of the System to the repayment of said interim financing, subject to the vested rights and priorities of the pledges securing the Outstanding Bonds.

It is understood that the foregoing constitutes an alternative method of obtaining interim financing, and does not preclude the authorization and sale, by public advertisement or otherwise, of bond anticipation notes to the most favorable bidder on the open market, by concurrent or subsequent proceedings of the District.

B. Multiple Advances by RD. In the event the Current Bonds are purchased by the RD, and in the event the District is unable to obtain a commitment for interim financing for the Project from any Interim Lender at reasonable rates and terms, the Chairman is authorized to request Multiple Advances of loan funds from the RD.

If the RD agrees to make Multiple Advances to the District pending the delivery of the Current Bonds, the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute in the name and on behalf of the District any number of Notes. Each such Note, evidencing an advance of funds by the RD to the District, shall be in the form prescribed by the RD. Each request for an advance from the RD shall be accompanied by a Requisition Certificate. The District will also furnish to the RD, prior to the receipt of each Multiple Advance, whatever additional documentation shall be requested by the RD, including an updated supplemental title opinion of Local Counsel and an updated supplemental preliminary legal opinion of Bond Counsel.

The proceeds of any Multiple Advances shall be either (i) disbursed directly to the parties entitled thereto for services and/or materials supplied in connection with the Project; or (ii) deposited into the Construction Account and disbursed in accordance with the provisions of Section 301 hereof, in which event amounts on deposit in such Construction Account shall, until expended, to the extent that same shall exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, be fully secured by a pledge of U.S. Obligations.

The proceeds of the Current Bonds are hereby pledged to the repayment of such Multiple Advances, and such pledge shall constitute a first and prior pledge against such proceeds. The District further pledges the revenues of the System to the repayment of said Multiple Advances, subject to the vested rights and priorities of the pledges securing the Outstanding Bonds.

Section 303. Arbitrage Limitations on Investment of Proceeds. The District covenants and certifies, in compliance with the Code, on the basis of known facts and reasonable expectations on the date of adoption of this Resolution, that it is not expected that the proceeds of the Current Bonds will be used in a manner which would cause the Current Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code. The District covenants to the Owners of the Current Bonds that (1) the District will make no use of the proceeds of said Current Bonds which, if such use had been reasonably expected on the date of issue of such Current Bonds, would have caused such Current Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds"; and (2) the District will comply with all of the requirements of the Code to whatever extent is necessary to assure that the Current Bonds shall not be treated as or constitute "arbitrage bonds" and that the interest on the Bonds shall be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Prior to or at the time of delivery of the Current Bonds, the Chairman and/or the Treasurer (who are jointly and severally charged with the responsibility for the issuance of the Current Bonds) are authorized to execute such certifications as shall be required by Bond Counsel, setting out all known and contemplated facts concerning the anticipated construction, expenditures and investments, including the execution of necessary and/or desirable certifications of the type contemplated by Section 148 of the Code in order to assure that interest on the Current Bonds shall be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that the Current Bonds will not be treated as "arbitrage bonds".

## ARTICLE 4. FLOW OF FUNDS.

Section 401. Funds. There was heretofore created in the Prior Bond Resolution the following funds and accounts:

- (a) Meade County Water District Revenue Fund
- (b) Meade County Water District Sinking Fund of 1992
- (c) Meade County Water District Depreciation Reserve Fund
- (d) Meade County Water District Operation and Maintenance Fund

The was created and established in the 2010 Bond Resolution the Meade County Water District Waterworks Sinking Fund of 2010.

All of the Funds shall be maintained with the Depository Bank so long as any Bonds remain outstanding. The District may change depository banks at its discretion.

Section 402. Flow of Funds. All proceedings preliminary to and in connection with the issuance of the Outstanding Bonds, including provisions made for (i) the receipt, custody and application of the proceeds of the Outstanding Bonds; (ii) the operation of the System on a revenueproducing basis; (iii) the segregation, allocation and custody of the revenues derived from the operation of the System; (iv) the enforcement and payment of the Outstanding Bonds and (v) the depreciation of the System; and all other covenants for the benefit of Bondowners set out in the Prior Bond Resolution, are hereby ratified and confirmed and shall continue in force and inure to the security and benefit of the Outstanding Bonds, the same as if such provisions and proceedings were set out in full herein; provided, further, that after the issuance of the Current Bonds, the income and revenues of the System shall be collected, segregated, accounted for and distributed as follows:

A. Revenue Fund. The District covenants and agrees that it will continue to deposit in the Revenue Fund, promptly as received from time to time, all revenues of the System, as same may be extended and improved from time to time. The moneys in the Revenue Fund shall continue to be used, disbursed and applied by the District only for the purpose and in the manner and order of priorities specified in the Prior Bond Resolution, as hereinafter modified by this Resolution, all as permitted by the Act, and in accordance with previous contractual commitments.

**B.** Prior Sinking Fund. There shall be transferred from the Revenue Fund and deposited into the Prior Sinking Fund on or before the 20th day of each month, for payment of interest on and principal of the Prior First Lien Bonds, a sum equal to the total of the following:

- A sum equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the next succeeding interest payment to become due on all Prior First Lien Bonds then outstanding, plus
- (2) A sum equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal of all of the Prior First Lien Bonds maturing on the next succeeding principal payment date.

Said Prior Sinking Fund shall be used solely and only and is hereby pledged for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Prior First Lien Bonds.

C. Current Sinking Fund. At or after the time that the Current Bonds have been delivered, there shall be transferred from the Construction Account into the Current Sinking Fund an amount sufficient (currently estimated at \$30,000) to provide for capitalized interest during the construction of the Project, if and to the extent not theretofore expended in paying interest on interim financing and if and to the extent then needed to pay interest during the remaining period of construction of the Project.

After the monthly transfers required in the preceding paragraphs have been paid from the Revenue Fund, there shall next be transferred monthly from said Revenue Fund and deposited into the Current Sinking Fund on or before the 20th day of each month, for payment of interest on and principal of the Current Bonds, the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds, a sum equal to the total of the following:

- An amount equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the next succeeding six-month interest payment to become due on the Current Bonds, the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds then outstanding, plus
- (2) A sum equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal of any Current Bonds, Series 2010 Bonds and Series 2017 Bonds maturing on the next succeeding January 1.

The Current Sinking Fund is hereby pledged for the payment of the interest and the principal of the Current Bonds, the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds, but subject to the vested rights and priorities of the Prior First Lien Bonds.

**D. Depreciation Fund.** Upon the issuance of the Current Bonds, and upon completion of the Project, as certified by the Engineers and by the RD, there shall next be transferred from the Revenue Fund the sum of at least \$750 each month which shall be deposited into the Depreciation Fund until there is accumulated in such Depreciation Fund the sum of at least \$90,000, which amount shall be maintained, and when necessary, restored to said sum of \$90,000 so long as any of the Current Bonds are outstanding and unpaid.

As further security for the Bondowners and for the benefit of the District, it has been and is hereby provided that in addition to the monthly transfers required to be made from the Revenue Fund into the Depreciation Fund, there shall be deposited into said Depreciation Fund all proceeds of connection fees collected from potential customers (except the amounts necessary to pay the actual costs and service connections applicable to said potential customers) to aid in the financing of the cost of future extensions, additions and improvements to the System, plus the proceeds of any property damage insurance (not otherwise used to replace damaged or destroyed property); and any such amounts or proceeds so deposited shall be used solely and only for the purposes intended. Moneys in the Depreciation Fund may be withdrawn and used by the District, upon appropriate certification of the Commission, for the purpose of paying the cost of unusual or extraordinary maintenance, repairs, renewals and replacements not included in the annual budget of current expenses and/or of paying the costs of constructing future extensions, additions and improvements to the System which will either enhance its revenue-producing capacity or will provide a higher degree of service, and when necessary, for the purpose of making payments of principal and interest on the Bonds if the amount on deposit in the Sinking Fund is not sufficient to make such payments.

E. Operation and Maintenance Fund. There shall next be transferred monthly from the Revenue Fund and deposited into said Operation and Maintenance Fund, sums sufficient to meet the current expenses of operating and maintaining the System. The balance maintained in said Operation and Maintenance Fund shall not be in excess of the amount required to cover anticipated System expenditures for a two-month period pursuant to the District's annual budget.

F. Monthly Principal and Interest Payments if Requested by the RD. So long as any of the Bonds are held or insured by the RD, the District shall, if requested by the RD, make the payments required by this Section 402, in monthly installments to the RD or to the insured Owners of the Bonds.

G. Surplus Funds. Subject to the provisions for the disposition of the income and revenues of the System as set forth hereinabove, which provisions are cumulative, and after paying or providing for the payment of debt service on any subordinate obligations, there shall be transferred, within sixty days after the end of each fiscal year, the balance of excess funds in the Revenue Fund on such date, to the Depreciation Fund for application in accordance with the terms of this Resolution or to the Sinking Fund to be applied to the maximum extent feasible, to the prompt purchase or redemption of Outstanding Bonds.

H. Investment and Miscellaneous Provisions. All monies in the Sinking Fund and the Depreciation Fund shall be deposited in the Depository Bank, or such portion thereof as is designated by the Commission. All monies in the Sinking Fund and the Depreciation Fund shall be invested for the benefit of such respective Funds in Certificates of Time Deposit or savings accounts of the Depository Bank or in U.S. Obligations which may be converted readily into cash, having a maturity date prior to the date when the sums invested will be needed for the purposes for which such funds may be expended, provided that to the extent that any amount of the District on deposit in the Depository Bank shall cause the total deposits of the District in said Depository Bank to exceed the amount insured by the FDIC, such excess amount shall be continuously secured by a valid pledge of U.S. Obligations, having an equivalent market value, in conformity with Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Any investments will be a part of the respective Funds from which the proceeds invested are derived, and income from such investments will be credited to such respective Funds.

All investments of funds derived from proceeds of the Outstanding Bonds shall be subject to the applicable limitations set out in Section 303 hereof.

All payments into the Funds shall be made on or before the twentieth (20th) day of each month, except that when the twentieth (20th) day of any month shall be a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, then such payment shall be made on the next succeeding business day.

All monies held in any of the Funds shall be kept apart from all other District funds and shall be deposited in the Depository Bank, and all such deposits which cause the aggregate of all deposits of the District therein to be in excess of the amount secured by FDIC, shall (unless invested as herein authorized) be secured by a surety bond or bonds or by a pledge of U.S. Obligations, having a market value equivalent to such deposit.

The Treasurer shall keep appropriate records as to payment of principal and interest installments and as to payment of principal of and interest on any Bonds.

Section 403. Current Bonds on a Parity with Series 2010 Bonds and Series 2017 Bonds, Subordinate to the Prior First Lien Bonds. It is hereby certified and declared that prior to the issuance of any of the Current Bonds, there will have been procured and filed with the District (i) a letter from the RD to the effect that the RD agrees to the issuance of the Current Bonds ranking on a parity as to security and source of payment with the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds, all of which are owned by the RD, together with (ii) a certification signed by the RD to the effect that a legend has been typed, stamped or otherwise affixed on each of the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds held by the RD, evidencing the agreement of the RD as the then Owner of the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds, to the issuance of the Current Bonds so as to rank on a parity with the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2010 Bonds the Series 2017 Bonds, to the issuance of the Current Bonds so as to rank on a parity with the Series 2010 Bonds and the Series 2017 Bonds, such legend to be in substantially the following form:

The holder of this Bond has consented to the issuance of \$2,506,170 of Meade County Water District Waterworks Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 ranking on a parity as to security and source of payment with this Bond.

Accordingly, it is hereby found and declared that the Current Bonds shall rank and be payable on a parity with said outstanding Series 2010 Bonds and Series 2017 Bonds from the gross income and revenues of the System, subject to the priorities of the Prior First Lien Bonds.

### ARTICLE 5. COVENANTS OF DISTRICT

Section 501. Rates and Charges. The District shall charge such rates and charges for all services and facilities rendered by the System, which rates and charges shall be reasonable, taking into account and consideration the cost and value of the System, the cost of maintaining, repairing and operating same and the amounts necessary for the payment of principal of and interest on Outstanding Bonds against the System. The District shall charge such rates and charges as shall be adequate to meet the requirements of Articles 4 and 5 hereof.

The District covenants that it will not reduce the rates and charges for the services rendered by the System without first filing with the Secretary a certification of an Independent Consulting Engineer that the annual net revenues (defined as gross revenues less operating expenses) of the then existing System for the fiscal year preceding the year in which such reduction is proposed, as such annual net revenues are adjusted, after taking into account the projected reduction in annual net revenues anticipated to result from any such proposed rate decrease, are equal to not less than 120% of the average annual debt service requirements for principal and interest on all of the then Outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, calculated in the manner specified in Section 603 hereof.

Section 502. Books and Accounts; Audit. The District shall maintain proper records and accounts relating to the operation of the System and the District's financial affairs; and the Bondowners, or their authorized representatives, shall have the right at all reasonable times to inspect the facilities of the System and all records, accounts and data relating thereto. An annual audit shall be made of the books and accounts pertinent to the System by a Certified Public Accountant licensed in Kentucky. No later than ninety (90) days after the close of each Fiscal Year, copies of such audit reports certified by such Certified Public Accountant shall be promptly mailed to the RD without request, so long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Bonds, and to any Bondowner that may have made a written request for same.

Monthly operating reports shall be furnished to the RD and to any Bondowner requesting same, during the first two (2) years of operation after completion of the Project, and whenever and so long as the District is delinquent in any of the covenants set out in the Prior Bond Resolution or this Current Bond Resolution. Thereafter, quarterly operating reports shall be furnished at all other times to the RD and to any Bondowner requesting the same.

Section 503. System to Continue to be Operated on Fiscal Year Basis; Annual Budget. While any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, and to the extent permitted by law, the System shall continue to be operated and maintained on a Fiscal Year basis.

Not later than sixty (60) days before the end of each Fiscal Year, the District agrees to cause to be prepared a proposed annual budget of operating expenses (the "Proposed Budget") of the System for the then ensuing Fiscal Year, itemized on the basis of monthly requirements. A copy of said Proposed Budget shall be mailed to any Bondowner who may request in writing a copy of such Proposed Budget and to the RD without request, if the Government is the Owner of any of the Bonds.

For the purpose of the Proposed Budget, operating expenses shall include all reasonable and necessary expenses of operating, repairing, maintaining and insuring the System, but shall exclude depreciation and debt service payments. The District covenants that the operating expenses incurred in any year will not exceed the reasonable and necessary amounts therefor, and that the District will not expend any amount or incur any obligation for operation or maintenance and repair in excess of the amounts provided for operating expenses in the annual budget, except upon resolution by the District that such expenses are necessary to operate and maintain the System.

Not later than sixty (60) days before the end of each Fiscal Year, the District shall prepare an estimate of gross revenues to be derived from the operation of the System for said Fiscal Year, and, to the extent that said gross revenues are insufficient (a) to pay debt service requirements on all Outstanding Bonds during the ensuing Fiscal Year, (b) to accumulate and maintain all required reserves enumerated herein and (c) to pay operating expenses, the District shall revise the rates and charges sufficiently to provide the funds so required.

If the Owners of at least 50% of the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds, or the Government so long as it is the Owner of any of said Outstanding Bonds, so request, the Commission shall hold an open hearing not later than thirty (30) days before the beginning of the ensuing Fiscal Year, at which time any Bondowner may appear by agent or attorney and may file written objections to such proposed budget. Notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be mailed at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing to each registered Bondowner and to the Government.

The District covenants that annually before the first day of the Fiscal Year, the annual budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year will be adopted substantially in accordance with the Proposed Budget, and that no expenditures for operation and maintenance expenses of the System in excess of the budgeted amount shall be made during such Fiscal Year unless directed by said District by a specific resolution duly adopted.

Section 504. General Covenants. The District, through its Commission, hereby covenants and agrees with the Owners of the Bonds that:

- It will faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the System required by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- It will make and collect reasonable and sufficient rates and charges for services and facilities rendered by the System;
- (3) It will segregate the revenues and income from the System and make application thereof consistent with and as provided by this Resolution;

- (4) Unless the written consent of the Owners of a majority of the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds has been obtained, the District agrees not to sell, lease, mortgage or in any manner dispose of any integral part of the System, including any and all appurtenances thereto and extensions, additions and improvements that may be made thereto, until all of the Outstanding Bonds shall have been paid or provided for in full, as provided herein; subject to the provisions of Section 607 hereof;
- (5) It will maintain in good condition and continuously operate the System and appurtenances thereto and will charge such rates and charges for the services rendered thereby so that the gross income and revenues will be sufficient at all times (i) to pay the interest on and principal of the Outstanding Bonds as same become due; (ii) to pay the cost of operating and maintaining the System; and (iii) to provide for an adequate depreciation account; and
- (6) It will carry and maintain insurance on properties of the System subject to loss or damage in amounts and against hazards substantially in accordance with the practices of other districts, cities or corporations which own and maintain waterworks systems under similar conditions; and so long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Outstanding Bonds, the Government will be listed as co-beneficiary on any such policy; and the District shall further comply with the insurance requirements of Section 506 hereof (involving insurance on motors, tanks and structures).

Section 505. Other Covenants Applicable So Long as RD Owns Any Bonds. So long as the RD shall own any of the Bonds, the District shall comply with such RD regulations, requirements and requests as shall be made by the RD, including the furnishing of operating and other financial statements, in such form and substance and for such periods as may be requested by the RD, the carrying of insurance of such types and in such amounts as the RD may specify, with insurance carriers acceptable to the RD and compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the Loan Resolution (RD Form 1780-27) adopted and executed by the District, which is hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 506. Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity. The District covenants and agrees to comply with all applicable Federal laws and statutes, including but not limited to:

(a) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The District acknowledges that under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), no handicapped individual in the United States shall, solely by reason of their handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving RD financial assistance. (b) Civil Rights Act of 1964. The District acknowledges that it is subject to, and its Facilities must be operated in accordance with, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) and Subpart E of Part 1901 of said Title VI, particularly as it relates to conducting and reporting of compliance reviews. Instruments of conveyance for loans and/or grants subject to the Act must contain the covenant required by paragraph 1901.202(e) of this Title.

(c) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. The District acknowledges that the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) [the "ADA Act"] prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, state and local government services, public transportation, public accommodations, facilities, and telecommunications. Title II of the ADA Act applies to facilities operated by state and local public entities that provide services, programs, and activities. Title III of the ADA Act applies to facilities owned, leased, or operated by private entities that accommodate the public.

(d) Age Discrimination Act of 1975. The District acknowledges that the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) provides that no person in the United States shall, on the basis of age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

(e) Limited English Proficiency (LEP) under Executive Order 13166. The District acknowledges that LEP statutes and authorities prohibit exclusion from participation in, denial of benefits of, and discrimination under Federally-assisted and/or conducted programs on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 covers program access for LEP persons. LEP persons are individuals who do not speak English as their primary language and who have a limited ability to read, speak, write or understand English. These individuals may be entitled to language assistance, free of charge. The District agrees to take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons receive the language assistance necessary to have meaningful access to RHS programs, services and information the District provides. These protections are pursuant to Executive Order 13166 entitled "Improving Access to Services by Persons with Limited English Proficiency" and further affirmed in the USDA Departmental Regulation 4330-005 "Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Persons with Limited English Proficiency in Programs and Activities Conducted by USDA. Agency financial programs must be extended without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, age, or physical or mental handicap. The District agrees to display posters (provided by RD) informing users of these requirements, and RD will monitor the District's compliance with these requirements during compliance reviews.

Section 507. Insurance on Motors, Tanks and Structures. The District shall (a) immediately after the adoption of this Resolution and (b) at the time of final acceptance of the Project, insure all electric motors, elevated water storage tanks, pumping stations and major structures of the System in an amount recommended by the Engineers and approved by the RD, so long as the RD is the Owner of any of the Bonds, for the hazards usually covered in such area, and shall similarly insure same in an amount recommended by the Engineers, without the necessity of approval by the RD if and whenever the District has Outstanding Bonds against the System and none of such Outstanding Bonds are owned by the RD.

#### ARTICLE 6. INFERIOR BONDS AND PARITY BONDS

Section 601. Inferior Bonds. Except as hereinafter provided below in this Article, the District shall not, so long as any Bonds are outstanding, issue any additional bonds payable from the revenues of the System unless the security and/or pledge of the revenues to secure such additional bonds are made inferior and subordinate in all respects to the security of the Bonds.

The District expressly reserves the right at any time to issue its bonds or other obligations payable from the revenues of the System and not ranking on a parity basis with the Current Bonds, without any proof of previous earnings or net revenues, provided that the consent of the RD must be obtained prior to the issuance of any inferior bonds so long as the RD owns any of the Bonds, and provided further that, after the initial completion of the Project, such inferior bonds may be issued only for the purpose of providing for future extensions, additions and improvements to the System, and only in express recognition of the priorities, liens and rights created and existing for the security, source of payment and protection of the Outstanding Bonds; provided further, that nothing in this Section is intended to restrict or shall be construed as a restriction upon, the ordinary refunding all or a portion of the Outstanding Bonds.

<u>Section 602.</u> Parity Bonds to Complete the Project. The District hereby certifies, covenants and agrees that in the event that the cost of completion of the construction of the Project shall exceed the moneys available to the District from any and all sources, the District shall have the right, if necessary, to provide for such excess, and only such excess, through the issuance of Parity Bonds, provided the District has obtained a certification from the Engineers to the effect that it is necessary to issue the desired amount of Parity Bonds in order to enable the District to pay the cost (not otherwise provided) of the completion of the Project, and provided the District has complied with the provisions of Section 603 below or has obtained:

- (a) the consent of the RD if the Government is as the Owner of the Prior Bonds at that time or the consent of any other Owners of the Prior Bonds, and
- (b) the consent of (1) the RD if the Government is the purchaser of the Current Bonds; or (2) the Owners of at least 75% of the principal amount of the Current Bonds outstanding, if the Current Bonds have been issued, sold and delivered and are held by Owners other than the Government.

Section 603. Parity Bonds to Finance Future Improvements. The District reserved the right and privilege, and does hereby reserve the right and privilege, of issuing additional Parity Bonds, but only under the conditions specified in the Current Bond Resolution, which conditions are as follows:

The District further reserves the right to add new waterworks facilities and/or to finance future extensions, additions and improvements to the System by the issuance of one or more additional series of Parity Bonds to be secured by a parity lien on and ratably payable on a parity with the Current Bonds, from the revenues of the System, provided:

(a) The facilities to be constructed from the proceeds of the additional Parity Bonds are made a part of the System and their revenues are pledged as additional security for the additional Parity Bonds and for the Outstanding Bonds.

(b) The District is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of the Outstanding Bonds.

(c) The annual net revenues (defined as gross revenues less operating expenses), of the then existing System for the Fiscal Year preceding the year in which such Parity Bonds are to be issued, adjusted as hereinafter provided, shall be certified by an independent Certified Public Accountant to be equal at least one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the average annual debt service requirements for principal and interest on all Outstanding Bonds payable from the revenues of the System, plus the anticipated debt service requirements of any Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued. The calculation of average annual debt service requirements on the additional Parity Bonds to be issued shall, regardless of whether such additional Parity Bonds are to be serial or term bonds, be determined on the basis of the principal of and interest on such Parity Bonds being payable in approximately equal annual installments.

(d) The annual net revenues referred to above may be adjusted for the purpose of the foregoing computations to reflect:

> any revisions in the System's schedule of rates or charges being imposed on or before the time of the issuance of any such additional Parity Bonds, and

> (2) any increase in the annual net revenues to be realized from the proposed extensions, additions and improvements being financed (in whole or in part) by such additional Parity Bonds;

provided all such adjustments shall be based upon and included in a certification of an Independent Consulting Engineer.

(e) Compliance with Section 603(a) through (d) shall not be necessary for the issuance of Parity Bonds if the District has obtained (1) the written consent of the RD for the issuance of such Parity Bonds, if the Government is the Owner of any Bonds at the time of issuance of such Parity Bonds; and (2) the written consent of the Owners of all of the then outstanding Prior Bonds, and no other prerequisite need be complied with by the District in order to issue Parity Bonds.

Section 604. Covenants to be Complied with at Time of Issuance of Parity Bonds. The District hereby covenants and agrees that in the event any Parity Bonds are issued, the District shall:

(a) Adjust the monthly amount to be deposited into the Sinking Fund on the same basis as that prescribed in the provisions establishing such Sinking Fund, to reflect the average annual debt service requirements of the Parity Bonds;

(b) Adjust the minimum annual amount to be deposited monthly into the Depreciation Fund on the same basis as that prescribed in the provisions establishing such Depreciation Fund, taking into account the future debt service requirements of all Bonds which will then be outstanding against the System; and

(c) Make such Parity Bonds payable as to principal on January 1 of each year in which principal falls due and payable as to interest on January 1 and July 1 of each year until the final maturity of such Parity Bonds.

Section 605. Prepayment Provisions Applicable to Parity Bonds. If, in connection with any subsequently issued series of Parity Bonds, it is provided that excess revenues in the Revenue Fund shall be used to prepay Outstanding Bonds in advance of scheduled maturity, or if the District at its option undertakes to prepay Outstanding Bonds in advance of scheduled maturity, it is agreed and understood, for so long as the Government owns any of the Outstanding Bonds, that no such prepayment will be effected without the approval of the RD.

Section 606. Consent of the RD Regarding Future Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Resolution, the District agrees that so long as the Government owns any Outstanding Bonds against and/or payable from the revenues of the System, the District will not issue any future bonds, notes or other obligations against, secured by or payable from the revenues of the System without the written consent of the RD.

Section 607. Priority of Lien; Permissible Disposition of Surplus or Obsolete Facilities. The District covenants and agrees that so long as any of the Prior Bonds and/or Bonds are outstanding, the District will not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the facilities of the System, or any part thereof, and, except as provided above, the District will not create or permit to be created any charge or lien on the revenues thereof ranking equal or prior to the charge or lien of the Outstanding Bonds. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District may at any time permanently abandon the use of, or sell at fair market value, any part of the facilities of the System, provided that:

- (a) The District is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of the Outstanding Bonds, and the required reserves for such Outstanding Bonds will have been accumulated;
- (b) The District will, in the event of any such sale, apply the proceeds to either (1) redemption of Outstanding Bonds in accordance with the provisions governing prepayment of bonds in advance of maturity; or (2) replacement

of the facility so disposed of by another facility, the revenues of which shall be incorporated into the System, as hereinbefore provided;

- (c) The District certifies, in good faith, prior to any abandonment of use, that the facilities to be abandoned are no longer economically feasible of producing net revenues; and
- (d) The District certifies, in good faith, that the estimated net revenues of the remaining facilities of the System for the then next succeeding Fiscal Year, plus the estimated net revenues of the facilities, if any, to be added to the System, comply with the earnings requirements hereinbefore provided in the provisions and conditions governing the issuance of Parity Bonds.

Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, so long as any Bonds are held by the Government, the District shall not dispose of its title to the System or to any part thereof, without first obtaining the written consent of the RD.

#### ARTICLE 7. DEFAULT AND CONSEQUENCES

Section 701. Events of Default. The following items shall constitute an Event of Default on the part of the District:

- (a) The failure to pay principal of the Bonds as and when same shall become due and payable, either at maturity or by proceedings for redemption.
- (b) The failure to pay any installment of interest on the Bonds when the same shall become due and payable or, if any or all of the Outstanding Bonds are owned by the RD, within thirty (30) days thereafter.
- (c) The default by the District in the due or punctual performance of any of the covenants, conditions, agreements and provisions contained in the Bonds, the Prior Bond Resolution or in this Resolution.
- (d) The failure to promptly repair, replace or reconstruct facilities of the System that have been damaged and/or destroyed.
- (e) The entering of any order or decree with the consent or the acquiescence of the District, appointing a receiver of all or any part of the System or any revenues thereof; or if such order or decree shall be entered without the acquiescence or consent of the District, its failure to have the order vacated, discharged or stayed on appeal within sixth (60) days after entry.

Section 702. Consequences of Event of Default. Any Owner of the Current Bonds may enforce and compel the performance of all duties and obligations of the District set forth herein. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, then upon the filing of a suit by any Owner of said the Current Bonds, any court having jurisdiction of the action may appoint a receiver to administer said System on behalf of the District with power to charge and collect rates sufficient to provide for the payment of operating and maintenance expenses and for the payment of principal of and interest on the Outstanding Bonds and to provide and apply the income and revenues in conformity with this Resolution and with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The District hereby agrees to transfer to any bona fide receiver or other subsequent operator of the System, pursuant to any valid court order in a proceeding brought to enforce collection or payment of the District's obligations, all contracts and other rights of the District pertaining to the System, conditionally, for such time only as such receiver or operator shall operate by authority of the court. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Owner of any of the Outstanding Bonds may require the governing body of the District by appropriate order to raise the rates a reasonable amount consistent with the requirements of this Resolution.

### ARTICLE 8. CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS; MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

Section 801. Resolution Contractual with Bondowners. The provisions of this Resolution constitute a contract between the District and its Commission and the Owners of the Current Bonds as may be outstanding from time to time; and after the issuance of any of said Current Bonds, no change, alteration or variation of any kind of the provisions of this Resolution shall be made in any manner which will affect an Owner's rights except as herein provided or except with the written consent of all Bondowners until such time as all of the Current Bonds and the interest thereon have been paid in full or fully provided for; provided that the Commission may adopt any resolution for any purpose not inconsistent with the terms of this Resolution and which shall not impair the security of the Owners of the Current Bonds and/or for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective or inconsistent provisions contained herein or in any resolution or other proceedings pertaining hereto.

It is further agreed that the Owners of 75% in principal amount of the Current Bonds at any time outstanding shall have the right to consent to and approve the adoption of resolutions or other proceedings, modifying or amending any of the terms or provisions contained in this Resolution, subject to the conditions that (a) this Resolution shall not be so modified in any manner that may adversely affect the rights of the Owners of any of the Prior Bonds, nor in any manner that may adversely affect the rights of any certain Owners of the Outstanding Bonds without similarly affecting the rights of all Owners of such Outstanding Bonds, or to reduce the percentage of the number of Owners whose consent is required to effect a further modification and (b) no such change may be effected without the consent of the RD so long as the RD owns any of the Outstanding Bonds.

Section 802. All Current Bonds are Equal. The Current Bonds authorized herein shall not be entitled to priority one over the other in the application of the income and revenues of the System, or with respect to the security for their payment, regardless of the time or times of their issuance, it being the intention that there shall be no priority among any of the Current Bonds regardless of the fact that they may be actually issued and delivered at different times.

Section 803. District Obligated to Refund Current Bonds Owned by Government Whenever Feasible: Defeasement Prohibited. So long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Current Bonds, if it appears to the Government that the District is able to refund such Current Bonds in whole or in part, by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private credit sources, or to sell bonds of the District in the open market, at reasonable rates and terms, for loans or bond issues for similar purposes and periods of time, the District will, upon request of the Government, obtain such loan and/or issue such bonds in sufficient amount to repay the Government and will take all such action as may be required in connection therewith.

In addition, so long as the Government is the Owner of any of the Current Bonds, the District shall not issue any bonds or other obligations for the purpose of defeasing or otherwise terminating the lien of the Current Bonds without immediately prepaying all of the then outstanding Current Bonds.

Section 804. Authorization, Ratification and Confirmation of Approval and Execution of Various Documents. The Commission hereby authorizes, approves, ratifies and confirms the previous action of the officers of the District in approving and executing various documents related to the financing of the Project, including the following:

- (a) Legal Services Agreement with Bond Counsel.
- (b) Legal Services Agreement with Local Counsel.
- (c) Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions of RD Letter of Conditions (RD Form 1942-46).
- (d) Loan Resolution (RD Form 1780-27).
- (e) Agreement for Engineering Services with the Engineers.

Section 805. Authorization of Condemnation to Acquire Easements and/or Sites. In the event that (a) any necessary deeds of easement to allow construction of the Project over the property of any property owner or (b) any necessary deed to the necessary site of any waterworks facility of the Project shall not be obtained through negotiation within ten (10) days after the date of adoption of this Resolution and in the event that (1) such waterworks lines cannot be located within the right-of-way of the State and/or County road involved; and/or (2) such waterworks facilities cannot be located on a site already owned by the District, Local Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to file condemnation actions to obtain such necessary rights-of-way and/or sites forthwith, without further authorization or direction from the District or the Commission. Local Counsel is further directed to follow the same condemnation procedure in the event that it becomes necessary, through change orders, line extensions and/or errors in the location of property lines and/or property owners, to obtain additional easements, rights-of-way and/or sites for completion of the Project and whenever the necessary deed is not obtained by negotiation at least ten (10) days prior to the date on which construction is contemplated in the respective easement, right-of-way and/or site.

The District further approves the payment from the funds available therefor allocated to the costs of the Project to pay any judgment award, or compromise, determined by Local Counsel with the acquiescence of the Commission, toward the costs of such easements, rights-of-way and/or sites; provided, in each instance, that the payment of such funds to satisfy any judgment, award or compromise must first be approved by the RD; and the Commission further determines that if and to whatever extent the funds available from the proceeds of the financing contemplated by this Resolution shall be inadequate to pay any judgment, award or compromise amount for such easements, rights-of-way and/or sites, or if the District is unable to obtain the approval of the RD for any such payment, the Commission shall take all reasonably necessary actions, within the powers and authority of the Commission, to make such additional amount available from all other available District resources.

Section 806. Authorization to File Required Financing Statements. In the event that it is determined by Bond Counsel or Local Counsel that the District is required to file any financing statements under the Kentucky Uniform Commercial Code in order to perfect the pledge of the gross revenues of the District's System as security for the Current Bonds, Bond Counsel and/or Local Counsel are hereby authorized to prepare and file with the appropriate officials such financing statements as they deem necessary.

# ARTICLE 9. SALE OF CURRENT BONDS

Section 901. Sale of Current Bonds. The Current Bonds shall be offered publicly for sale upon the basis of sealed, competitive bids at such time as the Commission shall designate.

A suggested form of "Notice of Bond Sale", a suggested form of "Official Notice of Sale of Bonds" and a suggested form of "Bid Form", having been prepared in advance by Bond Counsel, and all of such documents having been found to be in satisfactory form, a copy of each is hereby ordered to be filed in the records of the Secretary with the Minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution is adopted. The Notice of Bond Sale shall be signed by the Secretary and may be used for the purpose of publishing notice of the sale of the Current Bonds. Copies of such documents shall be furnished to any interested parties who may request same.

In the event that there is no bid or that all bids are rejected, the District may readvertise the sale pursuant to this Resolution.

Section 902. Adjustment in Maturities, Prepayment Provisions and Other Dates, with Consent of Purchaser if Delivery is Delayed. In the event that delivery of the Current Bonds authorized herein is delayed for any reason and the District, with the consent of the Purchaser of the Current Bonds, determines it is in the District's best interest to change the maturities, the applicable prepayment date or any other dates, the District may adjust the same by a Resolution of the Commission approving the adjustments.

## **ARTICLE 10. CONCLUDING PROVISIONS**

Section 1001. Covenant of District to Take All Necessary Action To Assure Compliance with the Code. In order to assure the Owners of the Current Bonds that such Current Bonds shall continue to be legal and that interest thereon will continue to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and exempt from all Kentucky income taxation, the District covenants to and with the Owners of the Current Bonds to take the following action:

(a) The District will (1) take all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code necessary to assure that interest on the Current Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; (2) will take no actions which will violate any of the provisions of the Code; and (3) not use the proceeds of the Current Bonds for any purpose which will cause interest on the Current Bonds or on interim financing obligations, including, but not limited to the Note, issued pursuant to Section 302 hereof to become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

(b) The District hereby certifies that it does not reasonably anticipate that the total principal amount of "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code which the District, or any subordinate entity of the District, will issue during the calendar year during which the Current Bonds are issued, will exceed \$10,000,000; and therefore the District hereby designates the Current Bonds and all interim financing obligations, including, but not limited to the Note, issued pursuant to Section 302 hereof as "qualified tax-exempt obligations".

(c) The District further certifies that the Current Bonds and any and all interim financing obligations of the District are not "private activity bonds" within the meaning of the Code.

The District covenants and agrees to comply with the rebate requirements (d) on certain excess earnings imposed by Section 148 of the Code, and in the event it is determined by the District, upon the advice of Bond Counsel, that the Construction Account, or any other Fund established hereunder, is subject to said rebate requirements and does in fact generate earnings from "non-purpose investments" in excess of the amount which said investments would have earned at a rate equal to the "yield" on the Current Bonds, plus any income attributable to such excess, there shall be established a separate and special fund with the Depository Bank, which fund shall be designated the "Excess Earnings and Rebate Fund", which shall be utilized for the collection and payment of any excess generated from investments and the remittance thereof to the United States of America on or before the anniversary of the fifth (5th) year from the date of the Current Bonds, and once every five (5) years thereafter until the final retirement of the Current Bonds; the last installment, to the extent required, to be made no later than sixty (60) days following the date on which funds sufficient for the complete retirement of the Current Bonds are deposited with any escrow agent. The District further covenants to file any and all reports, if any, as may be required to be filed with the Government with regard to the liability or non-liability of the District as to any such

rebate requirements and to maintain records in regard thereto for the period of time required by applicable Treasury regulations.

<u>Section 1002.</u> Severability Clause. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution, which shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 1003. All Provisions in Conflict Repealed. All motions, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed. It is hereby specifically ordered and provided that any proceedings heretofore taken for the issuance of other bonds of the District payable or secured in any manner by all or any part of the income and revenues of said System or any part thereof, and which have not been heretofore issued and delivered, are hereby revoked and rescinded, and none of such other bonds shall be issued and delivered. The District covenants to correct by appropriate proceedings any required procedure previously taken invalidly.

Section 1004. Effective Immediately Upon Adoption. This Resolution shall take effect and be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted this February 23, 2021.

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Chairman

(Seal of District)

Attest:

mm K Boothe Secretary

# CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Meade County Water District and that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of said District, signed by the Chairman of said District and attested under Seal by me as Secretary, at a properly convened meeting of said Board of Commissioners held on February 23, 2021, as shown by the official records of said District in my custody and under my control.

I further certify that said meeting was duly held in accordance with all applicable requirements of Kentucky law, including KRS 61.810, 61.815, 61.820 and 61.825, that a quorum was present at said meeting, that said Resolution has not been modified, amended, revoked or repealed, and that same is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my signature as Secretary and the official Seal of the District this February 23, 2021.

Normon H. Brothe Secretary

(Seal of District)

## REVENUE LEASE

# LEASE AGREEMENT

## KENTUCKY BOND CORPORATION

LESSEE:	Meade County Water District
LESSEE'S ADDRESS:	1003 Armory Road
	Brandenburg, Kentucky 40108
DATE OF LEASE:	April 21, 2021
TERMINATION DATE:	February 1, 2051

This Lease Agreement constitutes a Security Agreement and all right, title and interest of the Lessor herein has been assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee under a Trust Indenture dated as of July 1, 2010 between it and the Lessor.

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### LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS LEASE AGREEMENT, dated the date shown on the cover page hereof (together with any amendments hereto made in accordance herewith, this "Lease"), is entered into by and between the Kentucky Bond Corporation (the "Lessor"), as the lessor hereunder, a nonprofit corporation duly created and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "State"), and the Lessee shown on the cover page hereof (the "Lessee"), as lessee hereunder, a body politic and corporate validly existing under the constitution, statutes and laws of the State.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 et seq. of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined herein;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Lessor enter into this Lease for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project and to become a Participant in the Program, as defined in the Indenture;

WHEREAS, the execution, delivery and performance of this Lease, have been authorized, approved and directed by the Governing Body by a resolution finally passed and adopted by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Lessor desires to lease the Project to the Lessee, and the Lessee desires to lease the Project from the Lessor, pursuant to the terms and conditions and for the purposes set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Definitions</u>. All words and phrases will have the meanings specified below unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Terms not defined herein will have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture. References to Sections mean Sections of this Lease unless otherwise indicated.

"Additional Rentals" means the aggregate of (i) any expenses (including attorneys' fees and expenses) of the Lessor and/or the Trustee in defending an action or proceeding in connection with this Lease or in enforcing the provisions of this Lease; (ii) any taxes or any other expenses, including, but not limited to, licenses, permits, state and local sales and use or ownership taxes or property taxes and recording fees and/or other fees which the Lessor is expressly required to pay as a result of or in connection with this Lease; and (iii) the Lessee's Proportionate Share of any Administrative Expenses and Fiduciary Fees to the extent the same are not included in and paid as Base Rentals.

"Administrative Expenses" means the fees and expenses of the Lessor in administering the Program.

"Base Rentals" means the payments payable by the Lessee which constitute the principal component and interest component of Lease Rental Payments hereunder and other amounts set forth in Exhibit B.

"Bonds" mean the Bonds issued by the Kentucky Bond Corporation to fund this Lease.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Each reference to a section of the Code herein will be deemed to include the United States Treasury Regulations proposed or in effect with respect thereto and applicable to the Bonds or the use of the proceeds thereof.

"Costs" means, with respect to the Project, all or any part of the cost of construction, installation and acquisition of all land, buildings, structures, machinery and equipment; finance charges; extensions, enlargements, additions, replacements, renovations and improvements; engineering, financial and legal services; plans, specifications, studies, surveys, estimates of cost of revenue, administrative expenses, expenses necessary or incidental to determining the feasibility or practicability of constructing a Project; and such other expenses as the Lessor determines may be necessary or incidental to the construction, installation and acquisition of the Project, the financing of such construction, installation and acquisition, interest during construction, installation or acquisition and the placing of the Project in service.

"Fiduciary Fees" shall mean the contractual fees and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) of the Trustee under the terms of the Indenture.

"Indenture" means the General Trust Indenture dated as of July 1, 2010, as supplemented and amended, and the Series Indenture related to this Lease, which is entered into in accordance therewith.

"Late Payment Rate" means the per annum rate equal to 2.00% plus the greater of (i) the average interest rate on investments in the Debt Service Reserve Fund and (ii) the rate used to determine the interest component of Lease Rental Payments during the applicable period.

"Lease" means this Lease Agreement and any amendments or supplements hereto entered into in accordance with the provisions hereof, including the Exhibits attached hereto.

"Lease Rental Payments" means Base Rentals and Additional Rentals, which constitute the payments payable by the Lessee for and in consideration of the right to use and the option to purchase the Project and constitute Financing Payments under the Indenture.

"Lease Term" means the term of this Lease as determined pursuant to Sections 5 and 6 hereof.

"Lessee" means the Lessee identified on the cover page hereto.

"Lessor" means Kentucky Bond Corporation, acting as lessor under this Lease, or any successor thereto acting as lessor under this Lease.

"Optional Prepayment Price" means the amount determined by the Lessor and provided to the Trustee, which a Participant may, in its discretion, pay hereunder in order to prepay in full its Lease Rental Payments, which amount shall be equal to the unpaid principal component of Lease Rental Payments increased by the sum of (a) the amount of any due or past due Lease Rental Payments together with interest on such past due Lease Rental Payments to the date of such prepayment in full; (b) the unpaid accrued interest on the outstanding principal component of the Lease Rental Payments to the next date on which the related Bonds can be redeemed; (c) an amount of Defeasance Obligations which, together with the interest income thereon (as certified by the Program Administrator, Bond Counsel or other entity satisfactory to the Trustee), will be sufficient to pay Lease Rental Payments, which would have been due hereunder, if this Lease had not been prepaid, between the date of the prepayment and the date the prepayment will be used to redeem Bonds; (d) any additional Lease Rental Payments to the extent known or determinable at the time the prepayment is made through the date that the prepayment will be used to redeem Bonds; and (e) an amount equal to the premium, if any, payable on any Bonds to be redeemed on account of the payment of such Optional Prepayment Price. A Lease may not be prepaid if for any reason the Optional Prepayment Price cannot be calculated.

"Participant Disbursement Account" means the account by that name established for the Lessee by the Trustee under the Indenture.

"Program Administrator" means the Lessor or such other entity or unincorporated association as may be appointed in accordance with the Indenture to administer the Program and perform the duties and obligations of Program Administrator under the Indenture.

"Project" means property, the Costs of which are financed or refinanced, or the Costs of which are reimbursed hereunder, as more particularly described in Exhibit A hereto.

"Proportionate Share" means, as of a date of calculation, a fraction, the numerator of which is the unpaid principal components of Base Rentals hereunder, and the denominator of which is the sum of the unpaid principal components under all Financing Agreements related to the same Series of Bonds.

"State" means the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Trustee" means The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., a national banking association, as trustee under the Indenture, and any successor trustee at the time serving as such under the Indenture.

Section 2. Representations, Covenants and Warranties of the Lessee. The Lessee represents, covenants and warrants, in addition to any additional representations, covenants and warranties as may be set forth in Exhibit G, that (a) it is a body politic and corporate of the State; (b) it has full power and authority to enter into and to perform its obligations under, this Lease and all related documents; (c) it has duly authorized this Lease and all related documents; (d) this Lease and all related documents are valid, legal and binding obligations of the Lessee, enforceable against the Lessee in accordance with its terms; (e) the execution and delivery of this Lease and all related documents does not conflict with or result in a breach of the terms of any agreement or instrument by which the Lessee is bound, or conflicts with or results in a violation of any provision of law or regulation applicable to the Lessee; (f) there is no action, suit, proceeding or investigation before or by any court or public body wherein an unfavorable decision would materially and adversely affect the transactions contemplated by this Lease; (g) it will not take or permit, or omit to take or cause to be taken, any action that would adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of the designated interest component of Lease Rental Payments; (h) the Project furthers the Lessee's governmental purposes, serves a public purpose and is in the best interests of the Lessee and at the time of execution and delivery of the Lease, the Lessee intends to annually appropriate the Lease Rental Payments due hereunder; and (i) during the Lease Term, the Project will at all times be used only for the purpose of performing one or more lawful governmental functions of the Lessee.

The Lessee acknowledges that it has requested that the Lessor act on its behalf to issue the Bonds and that this Lease is being funded with the proceeds of bonds which may require the Lessee to comply with certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Lessee covenants and agrees that it will not take or omit to take any actions that conflict with the requirements of the Code that are applicable to the Bonds.

Section 3. <u>Representations</u>. <u>Covenants and Warranties of Lessor</u>. The Lessor represents, covenants and warrants that (a) it is a nonprofit corporation duly created and validly existing under the laws of the State, has all necessary power and authority to perform its obligations under, this Lease, and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Lease; (b) the execution and delivery of this Lease does not conflict with or result in a breach of the terms of any agreement or instrument by which the Lessor is bound, or conflicts with or results in a violation of any provision of law or regulation applicable to the Lessor; (c) there is no litigation or proceeding pending or threatened against the Lessor or any other person affecting the right of the Lessor to execute or deliver this Lease or to comply with its obligations under this Lease.

Section 4. <u>Demising Clause: Title: Security Interest</u>. The Lessor leases the Project to the Lessee, and the Lessee leases the Project from the Lessor, in accordance with the provisions of this Lease, to have and to hold for the Lease Term. The Lessee will take possession of the Project upon delivery thereof.

Legal title to the Project and all fixtures, appurtenances and other permanent accessories thereto and all interests therein will be held by the Lessee, subject to Lessor's rights under this Lease. Lessor and Lessee agree that this Lease or any other appropriate documents may be filed or recorded to evidence the parties' respective interests in the Project and the Lease.

In order to secure all of its obligations hereunder, the Lessee hereby (i) grants to the Lessor a first and prior security interest in any and all right, title and interest of the Lessee in the portions of the Project that constitute personal property and in all additions, attachments, accessions, and substitutions thereto, and on any proceeds therefrom, (ii) agrees that this Lease may be filed as a financing statement evidencing such security interest, and (iii) agrees to execute and deliver all financing statements, certificates of title and other instruments necessary or appropriate to evidence such security interest.

The Lessor's interest shall terminate upon (a) the Lessee's exercise of the purchase option granted in Section 24 hereof, or (b) the complete payment and performance by the Lessee of all of its obligations hereunder; provided, however, that title shall immediately and without any action by the Lessee vest in the Lessor and the Lessee shall immediately surrender possession of the Project to the Lessor upon (i) any termination of this Lease without the Lessee exercising its option to purchase pursuant to this Lease or (ii) the occurrence of an Event of Default. In any of such cases, the Lessee agrees to execute such instruments and do such things as the Lessor reasonably requests and as may be required by law in order to effectuate transfer of any and all of the Lessee's right, title and interest in the Project, as is, to the

Lessor. It is hereby acknowledged by the Lessor and the Lessee that the Lessee intends to purchase the Project on the terms set forth in this Lease.

Section 5. <u>Duration of Lease Term</u>. The Lease Term will commence and terminate on the dates shown on the cover page hereof unless earlier terminated as provided in Section 6. No provision of this Lease will be construed as creating a general obligation or other indebtedness of the Lessee within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation.

Section 6. <u>Termination of Lease Term</u>. The Lease Term will terminate upon the earliest of (a) the termination of Lessor's interest in the Project pursuant to Section 24; or (b) an Event of Default and termination of this Lease as provided in Section 27.

Termination of the Lease Term will terminate the Lessee's rights to use, possess or occupy the Project (unless a conveyance of the Project to the Lessee has occurred).

Section 7. Enjoyment. The Lessor hereby covenants that the Lessee will during the Lease Term peaceably and quietly have and hold and enjoy the Project without suit, trouble or hindrance from the Lessor, except as expressly required or permitted by this Lease. The Lessor will, at the request of the Lessee and at the cost of the Lessee, join and cooperate fully in any legal action regarding the Project and the Lessee may, at its own expense, join in any legal action affecting the Project.

Section 8. Lease Rental Payments. The Lessee shall pay Base Rentals in the amounts and at the times set forth in Exhibit B, as said Exhibit B is in effect on the first day of each fiscal year during the Lease Term.

The Lessee will pay Additional Rentals within fifteen (15) days after a written request therefor is mailed to the Lessee by or on behalf of the Lessor.

Any Lease Rental Payment that is not paid within 10 days of the date due shall bear interest thereon at the Late Payment Rate. Amounts due pursuant to this paragraph will be deemed to be Additional Rentals due and payable when incurred and without further written demand therefor.

The Lessee agrees and acknowledges that (a) the Trustee is authorized under the Indenture to draw amounts from the Debt Service Reserve Fund if the Lessee fails to make any part of a Lease Rental Payment when due and (b) Exhibit B will be deemed automatically amended if the Trustee draws on such account to cure deficiencies in the payment of Lease Rental Payments, to increase the principal component of Lease Rental Payments due on the next applicable payment dates (which monthly payment dates may be established if there are less than 48 remaining payment dates) so that the amount such draw has caused the amount remaining on deposit in the Debt Service Reserve Fund to be less than the Debt Service Reserve Requirement (as determined in accordance with the Indenture) is repaid no later than 48 months from the date of such draw and to increase the interest component of Lease Rental Payments due on such dates on the unpaid amount so drawn at the rate per annum equal to the Late Payment Rate. Promptly following any such automatic amendment, the Lessor will mail to the Lessee a revised Exhibit B (identified by date or other means), by first class mail, postage prepaid; provided that any failure to mail such revised Exhibit B will not affect the obligation of the Lessee to make the revised Lease Rental Payments. Amounts drawn from the Debt Service Reserve Fund and applied to payment of all or any portion of Lease Rental Payments will satisfy such Lease Rental Payment to the extent so applied.

Each Lease Rental Payment will be applied first to the Base Rentals then due and payable, then as Additional Rentals then due and payable.

This Lease will be deemed and construed to be a "net lease," and the Lessee will pay absolutely net during the Lease Term, the Lease Rental Payments and all other payments required hereunder, free of any deductions, and without abatement, deduction or set-off (other than credits against Lease Rental Payments expressly provided for in this Lease).

Section 9. <u>Manner of Payment</u>. Unless Lessee has submitted a properly executed ACH service agreement acceptable to the Trustee or has otherwise provided for the electronic transfer of payments, all Lease Rental Payments will be paid by check made payable and delivered to the Trustee. The obligation of the Lessee to pay the Lease Rental Payments and to perform and observe the covenants and conditions contained herein during the Lease Term will be absolute and unconditional except as otherwise expressly provided in this Lease, and payment of the Lease Rental Payments may not be abated through accident or unforeseen circumstances or payment of this Lease from the Debt

Service Reserve Fund or damage to, destruction of, or failure to complete, the Project. Lessee will not assert any right of set-off or counterclaim against its obligation to make such payments required hereunder. No action or inaction on the part of the Lessor (or any of its assigns) will affect the Lessee's obligation to pay all Lease Rental Payment during the Lease Term.

Section 10. Expression of Lessee's Need for the Project: Determination as to Useful Life. The Lessee hereby declares its current need for the Project and further determines and declares its expectations that the Project will (so long as it is subject to the terms hereof) adequately serve the needs for which it is being acquired throughout the Lesse Term. The Lessee hereby determines and declares that, to the best of its knowledge, the period during which the Lessee has an option to purchase the Project (i.e. the maximum term of this Lease) does not exceed the useful life of the Project.

### Section 11. [Reserved]

Section 12. Agreement to Acquire, Construct and Install the Project and Lease to the Lessee. The Lessee will provide for completion of the acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of the Project by the Lessee as the agent of the Lessor. The Lessee agrees that it will do all things which may be necessary or proper for the construction, acquisition, installation and equipping of the Project, on behalf of the Lessor. So long as this Lease is in full force and effect and no Event of Default has occurred, the Lessee will have full power to carry out the acts and agreements provided in this Section, and such power is granted and conferred under this Lease to the Lessee, and is accepted by the Lessee, and will not be terminated or restricted by act of the Lessor or the Trustee, except as provided in this Section. All contracts relating to the Project are hereby assigned to the Lessor.

Section 13. <u>Disbursements from the Participant Disbursement Account</u>. As long as no Event of Default has occurred, and the Lessee's right to control acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of the Project has not otherwise been terminated, disbursements from the Participant Disbursement Account may be made to pay or reimburse the Lessee for Costs of the Project. The Lessee must provide to the Lessor for approval, and thereafter to the Trustee, a request for disbursement substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit F hereto.

If an Event of Default occurs prior to the completion of the Project or if the right of the Lessee to control the acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of the Project has been otherwise terminated, amounts on deposit in the Participant Disbursement Account may be utilized by the Lessor to complete the Project.

Section 14. <u>Risk of Loss: Damage: Destruction</u>. Lessee assumes all risk of loss or damage to the Project from any cause whatsoever. No loss of or damage to, or appropriation by governmental authorities of, or defect in or unfitness or obsolescence of, the Project will relieve Lessee of the obligation under this Lease. Lessee will promptly repair or replace any portions of Project lost, destroyed, damaged or appropriated which are necessary to maintain the Project in sound operating condition so that at all times during the Lease Term the Project will be able to carry out its intended functions.

The net proceeds of any insurance policies, performance bonds, condemnation awards or net proceeds received as a consequence of default or breach of warranty under a construction contract or other contract relating to the Project will be deposited in the Participant Disbursement Account, if received before the completion of the Project, or, if received thereafter, to be deposited in a separate trust fund held by the Trustee and will be applied in the same manner described in Section 13. The balance remaining after repair, restoration, modification, improvement or replacement of the Project has been completed will be applied to satisfy payment of Lease Rental Payments.

Section 15. <u>Disclaimer of Warranties</u>. THE LESSOR, THE TRUSTEE AND THE OWNERS OF THE BONDS MAKE NO WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE VALUE, DESIGN, CONDITION, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR FITNESS FOR USE OF THE PROJECT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF OR ANY OTHER REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF.

Section 16. <u>Financial Reports; Notice</u>. The Lessee will provide the Lessor with a copy of the Lessee's annual audited financial report within thirty (30) days of its receipt by the Lessee. The Lessee will immediately notify the Lessor and the Trustee of any Event of Default hereunder. If an audited financial report is not available to be submitted by the Lessee within 180 days of the end of Lessee's fiscal year, Lessee shall provide an unaudited financial report in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor.

Section 17. <u>Inspection and Lessee Reports</u>. The Lessor, the Trustee and their respective authorized representatives shall at any time during normal business hours have the right to enter the premises where the Project may be located for the purpose of inspecting and examining the Project and its condition, use, and operation and the books and records of the Lessee relating thereto.

Section 18. <u>Maintenance of the Project by the Lessee</u>. The Lessee agrees that, at all times during the Lease Term, the Lessee will maintain, preserve and keep the Project or cause the Project to be maintained, preserved and kept, with the appurtenances and every part and parcel thereof, in good repair, working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and that the Lessee will from time to time promptly make or cause to be made all necessary and proper repairs, except as otherwise provided in Section 14. The Lessor, the Trustee and the owners of the Bonds will not have any responsibility in any of these matters or for the making of any additions, modifications, improvements or replacements to the Project.

Section 19. Modification of the Project: Installation of Equipment and Machinery of the Lessee. Following acquisition of the Project, Lessee will not make any alterations, additions, substitutions or replacements to the Project which would have an adverse effect on either the nature of the Project or the functionality or value of the Project, unless such alterations, additions, substitutions, replacements or improvements may be readily removed without damage to the Project. Any alterations, additions or replacements, shall be and be considered to constitute a part of the Project.

The Lessee may also install machinery, equipment and other tangible property in or on the Project; provided that such machinery, equipment and other tangible property which becomes permanently affixed to the Project will be subject to this Lesse if the Lessor reasonably determines that the Project would be damaged or impaired by the removal of such machinery, equipment or other tangible property.

Section 20. <u>Provisions Regarding Casualty, Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance</u>. The Lessee, at its expense, will cause casualty and property damage insurance with a company or self-insurance fund acceptable to the Lessor to be carried and maintained with respect to the Project in an amount equal to the aggregate principal components of Lease Rental Payments payable during the maximum term of this Lease or the replacement cost (excluding foundations) of the Project, if less than such principal components. Any casualty and property damage insurance policy required by this Section will name the Lessor and the Trustee as additional named insureds and will be so written or endorsed as to make losses, if any, payable to the Trustee (for application as provided in Section 14).

The Lessee will cause public liability insurance to be carried and maintained with a company or self-insurance fund acceptable to the Lessor with respect to the Project in such amount as is approved by the Lessor. Any public liability insurance policy required by this Section will name the Lessor and the Trustee as additional named insureds.

Section 21. <u>No Encumbrance</u>, Mortgage or Pledge of Project. The Lessee will not directly or indirectly create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any mortgage, pledge, lien, charge, encumbrance or claim on or with respect to the Project, unless specifically consented to in writing by the Lessor.

Section 22. <u>Assignment by Lessor</u>. As security for the payment and performance by the Lessor of all of its obligations under the Indenture, including particularly the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, the Lessor has assigned to the Trustee, under and pursuant to the Indenture, all of the Lessor's right, title and interest in, to and under this Lease, including but not limited to the right to receive the Lease Rental Payments and other amounts due hereunder. The Lessee acknowledges and agrees that this assignment will entitle the Trustee to enforce any obligation of the Lessee hereunder and to exercise any remedy or right of the Lessor' under this Lease further acknowledges and agrees that, as provided in the Indenture, the function of the "Lessor" under this Lease may be performed by the Program Administrator (which may be a person or entity other than the Lessor) and its agents and representatives.

Section 23. <u>Assignment and Subleasing by the Lessee</u>. This Lease may not be assigned by the Lessee for any reason. The Project may be subleased by the Lessee, as a whole or in part, but only with the prior written consent of the Lessor.

Section 24. <u>Purchase Option</u>. The Lessee may, in its discretion, prepay in full its Lease Rental Payments under the Lease by paying to the Lessor the Optional Prepayment Price with respect to the Lease. The Optional Prepayment Price shall be used as provided in the Indenture. Upon payment of the Optional Prepayment Price, the Lessor will transfer and convey the Project to the Lessee pursuant to Section 4 hereof.

Section 25. <u>Release and Indemnification Covenants</u>. To the extent permitted by law, the Lessee will and hereby agrees to indemnify and save the Lessor and the Trustee (each, an "Indemnitee") harmless against and from any or all claims, by or on behalf of any person, firm, corporation or other legal entity, and all liabilities, obligations, losses and damages whatsoever, regardless of the cause thereof and the expenses, penalties and fees in connection therewith (including counsel fees and expenses), arising from or as a result of the operation, ordering, ownership, acquisition, construction, use, condition, delivery, rejection, storage, return or management of the Project during the Lease Term, or the entering into of the Lease or any other document or instrument relating thereto (collectively, "Indemnified Claims"), including, but not limited to: (i) any condition of the Project; (ii) any act of negligence of the Lessee or of any of the agents, contractors or employees or any violation of law by the Lessee or breach of any covenant or warranty by the Lessee hereunder; (iii) any accident in connection therewith resulting in damage to property or injury or death to any person; and (iv) the incurring of any cost or expense in connection with the acquisition of the Project in excess of the moneys available therefor in the Participant Disbursement Account. To the extent permitted by law, the Lessee will indemnify and save each Indemnitee harmless from any such Indemnified Claim, or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon and, upon notice from such Indemnified Claim, or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon and, upon notice from such Indemnified Claim, or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon and, upon notice from such Indemnified Claim, or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon and, upon notice from such Indemnified Claim, or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon and, upon notice from such Indemnified Claim,

The indemnification arising under this Section will continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the full payment of all obligations under this Lease or the termination of this Lease for any reason.

Section 26. <u>Events of Default Defined</u>. The following will be "Events of Default" under this Lease and the term "Event of Default" or "Default" will mean, whenever it is used in this Lease, any one or more of the following events:

(a) Failure by the Lessee to pay any Lease Rental Payments at the time specified herein;

(b) failure by the Lessee to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed, other than referred to in subsection (a) of this Section, for a period of 30 days after written notice specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied will have been given to the Lessee by the Lessor unless the Lessor agrees in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration.

Section 27. <u>Remedies on Default</u>. Whenever any Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Lessor may, without any further demand or notice, take one or any combination of the following remedial steps:

 Terminate the Lease Term and give notice to the Lessee to vacate or surrender the Project within 60 days from the date of such notice;

(b) take legal title to, and sell or re-lease the Project or any portion thereof;

(c) declare an amount equal to all Base Rentals and Additional Rentals under this Lease to be immediately due and payable, whereupon that amount shall become immediately due and payable; or

(d) take whatever action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to enforce its rights in and to the Project under this Lease (including, without limitation, the right to possession of the Project and the right to sell or re-lease or otherwise dispose of the Project in accordance with applicable law and to appoint a receiver to operate the Project) and to recover damages for the breach thereof.

No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Lessor is intended to be exclusive, and every such remedy will be cumulative and will be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder and every remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default will impair any such right or power and any such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. If any agreement contained herein should be breached by either party and thereafter waived by the other party, such waiver will be limited to the particular breach so waived and will not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder. The Lessee will remain liable for all covenants and obligations under this Lease, and for all legal fees and other costs and expenses, including court costs awarded by a court of competent jurisdiction, incurred by the Lessor with respect to the enforcement of any of the remedies under this Lease, when a court of competent jurisdiction has finally adjudicated that an Event of Default has occurred.

Section 28. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, certificates, requests or other communications hereunder will be in writing and mailed (postage prepaid, and certified or registered with return receipt requested) or delivered (including delivery by courier service) as follows: if to the Lessor, Kentucky Bond Corporation, 100 East Vine Street, Suite 800, Lexington, Kentucky 40507, Attention: Administrator, if to Trustee, to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., 614 West Main Street, Suite 2600, Louisville, Kentucky 40202, Attention: Corporate Trust Services and if to the Lessee, to the address shown on the cover page hereof. Any of the foregoing may, by notice given hereunder to each of the others, designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates, requests or other communications will be sent hereunder. All notices, certificates, requests and other communications pursuant to this Lease will be effective when received (if given by mail) or when delivered (if given by delivery).

Section 29. <u>Amendments, Changes and Modifications</u>. Except as provided in Section 8 with respect to Exhibit B, this Lease may not be amended, changed, modified or altered, or any provision hereof waived, without the written consent of the Lessor and the Lessee.

Section 30. <u>Third Party Beneficiary</u>. No person other than a party hereto and the Trustee will have any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Lease or otherwise be a third party beneficiary of any rights, remedies, claims or agreements hereunder.

Section 31. Lessee Acknowledgment of the Bonds. The Lessee acknowledges (i) that this Lease and the financing by the Lessor of the Project is a part of the Program and (ii) that the Lease Rental Payments under this Lease, together with lease rental payments under all other leases entered into by Lessors under the Program, are and will be applied to (A) pay the principal and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds and (B) pay all other costs and expenses of the Program. The Lessee acknowledges and consents to the assignment by the Lessor pursuant to the Indenture and Section 22 hereof, to the Trustee, for the equal and ratable benefit of the Owners of the Bonds, of all right, title and interest of the Issuer and the Lessor, respectively, in, to and under this Lease.

Section 32. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. This Lease will inure to the benefit of and will be binding upon the Lessor and the Lessee and their respective successors and assigns (including, without limitation, security assigns). This Lease may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which will constitute but one and the same instrument. This Lease will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State. The captions or beadings herein are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions or sections of this Lease. If any provision of this Lease, other than the requirement of the Lessee to pay Lease Rental Payments and the requirement of the Lessor to provide quiet enjoyment of the Project and to convey the Project to the Lessee under the conditions set forth herein, is held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding will not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Lessor has executed this Lease in its name; and the Lessee has caused this Lease to be executed in its name and attested by duly authorized officers thereof. All of the above are effective as of the date first above written.

### KENTUCKY BOND CORPORATION

By:

Joburn Miller Secretary

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: Chair

Attest:

Mormon 76 By: Secretary

## EXHIBIT A

## DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

ESTIMATED COST OF THE PROJECT \$2,070,000 ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION OF

THE PROJECT:

June 1, 2021

# DESCRIPTION

To refinance outstanding USDA obligations of the District: USDA Loan #03 outstanding in the amount of \$232,000 and USDA Loan #04 outstanding in the amount of \$1,880,000.

# EXHIBIT B

# LEASE RENTAL PAYMENTS

	Debt Service Reserve Fund	Expenses	Interest	Principal	
Depos	Reduction	Requirement	Requirement	Requirement	Date
10,971.		559.28	6,037,50	4,375.00	B6-01/2021
10,971.4		559.23	6,037.50	4,174.00	87-01/2021
10.971 1	+	559.38	6.037.50	4,375.00	08-01/2021
10,971 3		550 74	6.0.57.50	4,375.00	levin1 2621
18,9713		554.32	63037.50	4,375.00	10111/2021
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8,189.39		247.92	2.525.00	5.416.87	2/01/2017
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3,864.7		179.59	1.225.00	7,500.00	05/01/2644
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\$364.5	· *	179.58	1,225.00	7.500.00	10:01/2044
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3,864.5	σ.	\$34.58	1,225.00	7,500.00	01.01.2045
8.620 8		120.84	1,000.00	7,500.00	02/01/2045
8,620.8		120.84	00.0990.1	7.500.00	03.01.2045
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9.520.8		120.83	2,009.042	7,500.00	11.01.2045
KA20.8	×.	120.83	1.000.000	7,500.00	12/01/2045
8.620.8		129.83	1.000.00	1,500.00	0101/2046
8,377.0		102.04	775 00	7,500.00	02/01/2016
8,177.40		202.09	725.00	7,500.00	01/01/2046
\$317.0		102.09	7*5.00	7.500.00	04/01/2046
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8,377.02		162.08	775.09	7,500.00	11/01/2006
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8,131.5	*	35.26	\$50.00	7,500.00	05/01/2047
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1.133.1		83.31	5.548.000	7,500.00	07/01/2047
\$10.3		1,68	\$\$9.00	7,500.00	08/01/2047
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8 133 1		\$3.33	550.00	7,500.00	01-01/2048
2,839.00		64.94	325.00	2300.00	02.01.2648
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8,467		265.21	2.012.50	6,250.00	02/01/2040
8,461		205.23	2,012.50	6.250.00	01012040
8.407	-	205.21	2.012.50	6.25(310)	0491/2040
8,457		203.21	2/012.50	6.250 (8)	05/01/2040
8,467		205.21	2/012.50	6.250.00	06-01/2049
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8,467		205.21	2.012.50	6.250.00	05/01/2040
8.467		265.21	2.012.50	6,250.10	09-01/2040
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8,264		189.59	5,828.00	A.250.00	02/01/2041
8,2643	14.	189.59	1.825.00	6,250,00	03/01/2041
8,264.3		189.39	1.825.00	5,250.00	04/01/2041
\$ 264	2	189.59	1.825.00	6,250,00	05/01/2041
A.264	1	189.58	1.825.09	6.250.00	06/01/2041
8.74.4		189.58	1.825.00	8,250.00	07/01/2041
4,264	4		1,625,00		08/91/2041
\$ 264.3		189.58	1.825.00	6,250.00	09/01/2041
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8.264.5		189.58	1.825.00	5,250.00	12/01/2041
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8.478		\$27.44	1,637,50	5.565.67	#241/2042
8,478.1		173.96	1,6.87.50	5.666.67	03/01/2042
8,478.1	×	173.96	3,637,50	5,006.67	84-91/2042
8.478.3		173.96	1.637.50	6,866.67	05/01/2042
8,478.3	· · · · ·	\$73,46	1,637,50	6.886.67	06-01/2042
8,478.1		473.96	1,657.50	6.566.67	07/01/2042
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8,478.3		173.96	1,637,50	6,000.66	10/01/2042
8,478.1	5	\$23.06	4,637,50	6,566.56	11/01/2042
8.478.1	5	173.96	1,637.50	6,000,04	12/01/2042
8,478.1		173.96	1.637.50	6,666,66	01401/2043
8,678.1		157,29	1,437,50	72083.34	02/01/2045
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8.678.1		157.29	1,457,50	7,083,34	05-01 2043
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8,678.3		157.29	1,47* 50	7,083.33	11 91 2041
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8 864 3	9	139.59	1,225.00	7,500.00	02/01/2044
8,864.5	· · · · ·	139.59	1,225.00	7,50000	03/01/2044
5,864.5		179.59	1.225.00	1,500,00	64/01/2014

Deposit	Debi Service Reserve Fund Reduction	Expenses Requirement	Interest Requirement	Principal Requirement	Date
1,659.55	-	64.93	325.00	7,500.00	12/01/2008
2,889.28	-	64.48	325.00	1.6000.000	01.01.2649
190.00	0.129.071	43.87	100.140	1.133.34	02/01/2089
	(3.439.17)	21.53	HALDO	5,331,34	6101 2049
	18.476.175	23.63	100.00	1,03134	04.01.2044
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	18,479,582	42.83	100.00	A.A.87.24	12/01/2029
	(1.179.16)	-13.81	190.003	3,333.33	ff1 == 1 265 m
\$1,005,062,36	241,0401.001	\$93,112.50	\$96.5,150.00	\$2,070,000.00	Lotal

Proceeds of certain of the Bonds (such Bonds being referred to as "Related Reserve Fund Bonds") were deposited in the Debt Service Reserve Fund (the "Related Reserve Fund Deposit"). The Base Rentals due on February 1, 2049 to January 1, 2050 shall be paid from the Related Reserve Fund Deposit and Lessee will receive a credit for investment earnings accrued in the Debt Service Reserve Fund on the Related Reserve Fund Deposit (the "Earnings") on February 1, 2049 as a credit for the Fees Requirement so that the Total Deposit on such Dates shall be an amount equal to the difference between such credits and the Total Deposit Required. The provisions of this paragraph are subject to the third paragraph of Section 8 of this Lease.

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ACKNOWLEDGED:

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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## EXHIBIT C

### RESOLUTION NO.

# A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Meade County Water District (the "Lessee") has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 <u>et seq</u>, and Section 65.510-.650 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of the property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined in the Lease hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Kentucky Bond Corporation (the "Lessor") enter into a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Recitals and Authorization</u>. The Lessee hereby approves the Lease Agreement (the "Lease"), in substantially the form presented to this Governing Body. The recitals to this Resolution are incorporated herein as if set forth in this Section in their entirety and are hereby found and determined to be true and correct. It is further found and determined that the Project identified in the Lease is public property to be used for public purposes, that it is necessary and desirable and in the best interests of the Lessee to enter into the Lease for the purposes therein specified, and the execution and delivery of the Lease and all representations, certifications and other matters contained in the closing memorandum with respect to the Lease, or as may be required by the Lessor prior to delivery of the Lease, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed. The Chair and Secretary of the Lessee are hereby authorized to execute the Lease, together with such other agreements or certifications which may be necessary to accomplish the transaction contemplated by the Lease.

Section 3. <u>Severability</u>. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. <u>Open Meetings Law</u>. This Governing Body hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Governing Body, and that all deliberations of this Governing Body and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Section 5. <u>Conflicts</u>. All ordinances, resolutions, orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and the provisions of this Resolution shall prevail and be given effect.

Section 6. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage and publication of a summary thereof, as provided by law.

INTRODUCED, SECONDED AND ADOPTED, at a duly convened meeting of the Governing Body, held on [ $\underline{Movernbergy}$ ], 2020, after first reading held on [ $\underline{Movernbergy}$ ], 2020, signed by the Chair of the Lessee, attested by the Secretary, filed and indexed as provided by law.

By: Chair

Attest:

Norman K Boon Secretary 10

By:

# CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Meade County Water District and as such Secretary, I further certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of a Resolution as appears to me in the official records of the Meade County Water District, duly adopted by said governing body at a duly convened meeting held on the date set forth therein, signed by the Chair, duly filed, recorded and indexed in my office and now in force and effect, and that all action taken in connection with such Resolution was in compliance with the requirements of Kentucky law, all as appears from the official records of said governing body in my possession and under my control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 24 day of Movember, 2020.

Norman 16 Bothe Secretary

Donald E. Skeeters (Retired) R. Terry Bennett David T. Wilson II Dustin C, Humphrey Ambrose "Abe" O'Bryan



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Kentucky Bond Corporation 100 East Vine Street, Suite 800 Lexington, Kentucky 40507-3500

> Re: Lease Agreement between Kentucky Bond Corporation, as lessor, and the Meade County Water District, as lessee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have acted as counsel to the lessee identified above (the "Lessee") in connection with the authorization, execution, and delivery by the Lessee of the Lease Agreement identified above (the "Lease"), between the Lessee and Kentucky Bond Corporation (the "Lessor"). I have reviewed (i) the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Commonwealth"), (ii) certain proceedings taken by the Governing Body of the Lessee, (iii) an executed copy of the Lease, and (iv) such other information and documents as I have deemed necessary or appropriate in order to render this opinion.

Based on the foregoing, I am of the opinion that:

1. The Lessee is a body politic and corporate, validly organized and existing in good standing under the laws of the Commonwealth and has full power and authority to enter into and to perform its obligations under the Lease.

2. The Lease has been duly authorized, executed, and delivered by the Lessee and (assuming the due authorization, execution, and delivery thereof by the other parties thereto) constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation of the Lessee, enforceable against the Lessee in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity.

3. All consents, approvals, or authorizations of any governmental entity and all filings and notices required on the part of the Lessee in connection with the authorization, execution, and delivery of the Lease and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby have been obtained and are in full force and effect.

4. Neither the execution and delivery of the Lease nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the terms and conditions of the Lease conflict with or constitute a violation of any provision of any law or regulation applicable to the Lessee or, to the best of my knowledge after reasonable investigation, conflicts with or results in a breach of the terms, conditions, or provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Lessee is now a party or by which the Lessee is bound.

5. To the best of my knowledge, after reasonable investigation, there is no action, suit, proceeding, or governmental investigation at law or in equity before or by any court, public board, or body pending, of which the Lessee has been served with a summons, summons and complaint, or other notice of commencement, or threatened against or affecting the Lessee, challenging the validity of the Lease or contesting the power and authority of the Lessee to execute and deliver the Lease or to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Lease.

Respectfully submitted, Skeeters, Bennett, Wilson & Humphrey

Dustin C. Humphrey

### EXHIBIT E

### CERTIFICATE OF OFFICIALS OF LESSEE

Re: Lease Agreement between Kentucky Bond Corporation, as lessor, and the Meade County Water District, as lessee dated April 21, 2021

The undersigned officials of the lessee identified above (the "Lessee") under the Lease Agreement identified above (the "Lease") between the Lessee and the Kentucky Bond Corporation (the "Lessor"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

1. That they are the duly elected or appointed, qualified and acting incumbents of their respective offices of the Lessee, as set forth after their signatures hereto, and as such are familiar with the books, records and affairs of the Lessee.

 That the Lessee is a body politic and corporate, validly organized, existing and in good standing under and by virtue of the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky with all requisite power and authority to lease property as lessee and to carry on its business as now being conducted.

3. That included in the transcript of which this Certificate forms a part is a true, correct and complete copy of the resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Lessee on <u>November 24, 2020</u> (the "Official Action"), authorizing the appropriate officials of the Lessee to execute the Lease. The Official Action was duly adopted in accordance with all applicable laws.

4. The representations and warranties of the Lessee made in the Lease are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof as if made on and as of the date hereof; the Official Action has not been amended or supplemented and is in full force and effect; and the Lease has been entered into and is in full force and effect.

5. That the below-named persons were on the date or dates of the execution of the Lease and are on the date of this certificate the duly elected or appointed and qualified incumbents of the respective offices of the Lessee set forth opposite their names and that the signatures set forth opposite their names are their genuine signatures:

Name	Title	Signature
Douglass Cornett	Chair	_ Ocup Comet
Norman Boothe	Secretary	_ Thorner I Bostta

6. The Lease has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Lessee and constitutes legal, valid and binding obligations of the Lessee, enforceable against the Lessee in accordance with its terms.

7. The Lessee is not in default under or in violation of (i) any provisions of applicable law, (ii) the Lease, or (iii) any indenture, mortgage, lien, agreement, contract, deed, lease, loan agreement, note, order, judgment, decree or other instrument or restriction of any kind or character to which it is a party or by which it or its properties are or may be bound, or to which it or any of its assets is subject, which default would have a material adverse effect on the condition, financial or otherwise, of the Lessee or on the ability of the Lessee to perform its obligations under the Lease. Neither the execution and delivery of the Lease nor compliance by the Lessee with the terms, conditions and provisions of the Lease will conflict with or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under, any of the foregoing.

8. Since the date of the financial information provided to the Lessor, there have not been any material adverse changes in the business, properties, condition (financial or otherwise) or results of operations of the Lessee, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, and since such date, except in the ordinary course of business, the Lessee has not entered into any transaction or incurred any liability material to the financial position of the Lessee.

9. There is no claim, action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, governmental agency, or public board or body, pending or, to the best of our knowledge, threatened against or affecting the Lessee wherein an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding would materially adversely affect the business, properties,

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### EXHIBIT F

#### REQUEST FOR DISBURSEMENT

Re: Lease Agreement between Kentucky Bond Corporation, as lessor, and Meade County Water District, as lessee dated April 21, 2021.

## **Requisition Certificate No. 1**

The Lessee hereby requests a disbursement from the Participant Disbursement Account in the amount of [\_\_\_\_] and hereby certifies, as follows (except that with respect to a disbursement to pay an interest component of Lease Rental Payments during construction of a Project, only the document described in (a) below will be required):

(a) Attached is a statement of the amount and nature of each item of the Costs of the Project to be paid and the name and address of the payee, with the payee's statement and, if reimbursement to the Lessee of amounts previously paid is requested, evidence of such payment;

 (b) each item for which payment or reimbursement is requested is or was necessary in connection with the Costs of the Project and none of such items formed the basis for any previous payment from the Participant Disbursement Account;

(c) each contractor, subcontractor and materialman has filed with the Lessee receipts or waivers of liens for all amounts previously certified for payment, or any amount previously certified for reimbursement to the Lessee, or there is on file with the Lessee a cancelled check endorsed by the contractor, subcontractor or materialman evidencing such payment;

(d) all of the warranties and representations of the Lessee contained in the Lease are true and correct as of the date of such disbursement, as though such warranties and representations were made on such date, no Event of Default has occurred under the Lease, the right of the Lessee to control the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project has not otherwise been terminated pursuant to the Lease, and that amounts on deposit in the Participant Disbursement Account will be sufficient to complete the Project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications;

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Authorized Dessee Representative By:

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#### EXHIBIT G

### FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS OF LESSEE

Definitions. Terms used in this Exhibit G shall have the meanings ascribed to them in Section 1 of this Lease. In addition:

"Consulting Engineers" means an engineer or a firm of engineers, who, by virtue of experience, reputation and ability, bear a reputation in the field of water or sewer system engineering, as applicable, which is recognized and known, and upon whose professional judgment sophisticated investors rely in connection with securities which are issued for utility purposes.

"Debt Service Reserve" means the fund established in accordance with Section 4 of this Exhibit G.

"Depository Bank" or "Payee Bank" refers to the bank in which all of the funds established in accordance with Section 4 of this Exhibit G are deposited and maintained.

"Depreciation Fund" means the fund established in accordance with Section 4 of this Exhibit G.

"Depreciation Reserve Requirement" means an amount as shall be determined by the Consulting Engineers and set forth in a certificate filed with the Lessee to be necessary as a reserve for major repairs or replacements of the System.

"Revenues" means the investment income, connection fees and all other items of income established as reasonably anticipated annual income of the System based upon a certification of Consulting Engineers and/or certified public accountants.

"Operation and Maintenance Fund" means the fund established in accordance with Section 4 of this Exhibit G.

"Parity Obligations" means bonds or other obligations issued in the future, which bonds or other obligations issued in the future will, pursuant to the provisions of this Lease, rank on a basis of parity with this Lease, and shall not be deemed to include obligations ranking inferior in security to this Lease. Parity Obligations shall also include the obligations of the Lessee under this Lease.

"Required Reserve" means zero, provided that if the Lessee determines to establish a Debt Service Reserve in order to obtain a rating on any obligations payable from Revenues, or for any other purpose, Required Reserve shall mean the least of (a) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements scheduled to fall due on the Lease and any outstanding Parity Obligations, (b) an amount equal to 10% of the principal amount of the Lease and any Parity Obligations or (c) 125% of the average annual principal and interest requirements of the Lease and any Parity Obligations.

"Revenue Fund" means the fund established in accordance with Section 4 of this Exhibit G.

"Revenues" means the revenues of the System of any and all types and varieties imposed, enforced and collected by the Lessee for any services rendered by the System, together with other income received by the Lessee, if any, from any agency of government, both federal and state, as representing income or operating subsidies, as distinguished from capital grants, to the extent not otherwise required to be treated and applied and specifically excluding therefrom any funds received which result from assessments or assessment charges.

"Sinking Fund" means the fund established in accordance with Section 4 of this Exhibit G for the payment of any Parity Obligations.

"System" means the water and sewer system of the Lessee and any additions thereto and extensions thereof, and shall include the Project being financed under this Lease.

"System Funds" means the Revenue Fund, the Sinking Fund, the Debt Service Reserve, the Depreciation Fund and the Operation and Maintenance Fund. Section 2. <u>Reaffirmation of Declaration that System is a Public Project</u>. The previous action of the Lessee in declaring the public water and sewer system of the Lessee to constitute a revenue-producing public project, is hereby approved, ratified and confirmed; and so long as any Parity Obligations shall remain outstanding, the System shall be owned, controlled, operated and maintained on a combined and consolidated, revenue-producing basis, for the security and source of payment of any Parity Obligations, under the authority hereinbefore stated.

Section 3. <u>Security, Funds and Revenues Pledged Parity Obligations</u>. Any Parity Obligations that may be issued and outstanding from time to time under the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth shall be payable out of the Sinking Fund, and the holders of any Parity Obligations shall have a claim against such Fund and against a sufficient portion or amount of the Revenues of the System pledged to such Fund.

Section 4. Creation of Special Funds.

A. <u>Revenue Fund</u>. There is hereby established the Revenue Fund, which shall be maintained so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding. The Revenues of the System shall be set aside monthly into the Revenue Fund which shall constitute a separate and special fund hereby established, which fund shall be maintained as provided herein. The Revenues of the System so set aside into the Revenue Fund shall then be expended, used and apportioned as follows.

There shall be transferred on or before the last day of each month, from the Revenue Fund:

(1) To the Sinking Fund, so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding, an amount equal to onetwelfth (1/12) of the principal amount of all the Parity Obligations maturing on the next February 1.

(2) To the Sinking Fund, so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding, an amount equal to the sum of one-sixth of the interest requirements of any Parity Obligations coming due on the next succeeding February 1 or August 1.

(3) To the Debt Service Reserve, an amount equal to one-forty-eighth (1/48) of the maximum debt service requirements for any Parity Obligations, until such amount shall have been accumulated or restored, after which the monthly deposits may be discontinued, subject to resumption if, whenever, and so long as same shall be reduced, by such stipulated amount.

(4) To the Depreciation Fund, if, whenever, and so long as an amount equal to the Depreciation Reserve Requirement is not then being held in the Depreciation Fund, an amount, equal to one-thirty-sixth (1/36) of the Depreciation Reserve Requirement so that the balance in the Depreciation Fund will equal the Depreciation Reserve Requirement in the month that is thirty-six months from the month such deficiency first existed. Thereafter such monthly payments may cease for so long as the required balance in the Depreciation Fund is maintained and such monthly payments shall resume again if at any time said balance is less than the Depreciation Reserve Requirement and shall continue until said balance is established.

(5) To the Operation and Maintenance Fund, an amount which, together with any funds already on deposit therein, will be sufficient to pay, as they accrue, the proper and necessary costs of operating, maintaining and insuring the System, and to accumulate and maintain, in the Operation and Maintenance Fund, an amount sufficient to pay all costs of operating, maintaining and insuring the System for three (3) full months.

(6) On a periodic basis, but no less frequently than annually, the Revenues remaining in the Revenue Fund at the end of the month, or, in the case of annual transfers, the preceding calendar year, after making the payments required by (1) through (5) above, including any balances to be accrued and maintained, may be transferred to any fund or used for any purpose deemed appropriate by the Lessee

B. <u>Sinking Fund</u>, There is hereby established the Sinking Fund, which shall be maintained so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding, which shall be used for the purpose of accumulating the amounts necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the outstanding Parity Obligations. No further payments need be made into the Sinking Fund whenever and so long as such amount of the outstanding Parity Obligations shall have been retired so that the amounts then held in the Sinking Fund (and in the Debt Service Reserve) are equal to the entire amount of the interest and principal that will be payable to and at the time of the retirement or maturity of all Parity Obligations then remaining outstanding. All funds on deposit in the Sinking Fund shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds of the Lessee and shall be deposited, secured and invested in the manner provided in subsection F below.

C. <u>Debt Service Reserve</u>. There is hereby established the Debt Service Reserve, which shall be maintained so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding and in which an amount equal to the Required Reserve shall be maintained. Amounts on deposit in the Debt Service Reserve may be withdrawn and used by the Lessee, when necessary, and shall be so withdrawn and used by if and to the extent necessary, to prevent a default in the payment of principal and interest on the outstanding Parity Obligations as and when due if the amount on deposit in the Sinking Fund is not sufficient to make such payments. In the event of any withdrawals from the Debt Service Reserve, or if and whenever the amount on deposit in the Debt Service Reserve is less than the Required Reserve, the Lessee shall remedy such deficiency through the deposit into the Debt Service Reserve in each month thereafter of an amount equal to one-one hundred twentieth (1/120) of the Required Reserve until the total Required Reserve shall have been accumulated or restored and is being maintained. All funds on deposit in the Debt Service Reserve shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds of the Lessee and shall be deposited, secured and invested in the manner provided in subsection F below.

D. <u>Depreciation Fund</u>. There is hereby established the Depreciation Fund, which shall be maintained so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding and in which an amount equal to the Depreciation Reserve Requirement shall be maintained.

Amounts in the Depreciation Fund may be withdrawn and used upon appropriate certification by whatever official is duly authorized by the Governing Body to make such certification, for the purpose of paying the cost of making unusual or extraordinary maintenance, repairs, renewals or replacements to the System, which would be necessary to keep the System in good operating condition, or for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing extensions, additions and/or improvements to the System which will either enhance the revenue-producing capacity of the System or provide a higher degree of service; provided, however, that if the combined available balances in the Sinking Fund and the Debt Service Reserve on any January 20 or July 20 shall be insufficient to pay the next maturing installment of interest or principal of the outstanding Parity Obligations, the Lessee shall withdraw and transfer from the Depreciation Fund to the Sinking Fund whatever, the Lessee hereby certifies and represents that it is not reasonably anticipated that any amounts in the Depreciation Fund will be used to pay debt service on any Parity Obligations.

Deficiencies in the Depreciation Fund shall be remedied through the monthly deposits required from the Revenue Fund above, until the total required amount has been accumulated or restored and is being maintained. There shall also be deposited in the Depreciation Fund the proceeds of any property damage insurance not immediately used to replace the damaged or destroyed property and the cash proceeds of any surplus, worn out or obsolete properties of the System.

As and when additional Parity Obligations are issued, the Lessee shall determine at the time of issuance thereof, with the advice of the Consulting Engineers then employed by the Lessee, (a) whether additional amounts shall be accumulated in the Depreciation Fund, (b) the exact revision, if any, in the required deposits in the Depreciation Fund, and (c) the revised total amount necessary to be accumulated in the Depreciation Fund; whereupon covenants to that effect shall be incorporated in the proceedings authorizing the issuance of such Parity Obligations.

All funds on deposit in the Depreciation Fund shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds the Lessee and shall be deposited, secured and invested in the manner provided in subsection F below.

E. Operation and Maintenance Fund. There is hereby established the Operation and Maintenance Fund, which shall be maintained so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding. All costs of operating, maintaining and insuring the System shall be paid from the Operation and Maintenance Fund. All funds in the Operation and Maintenance Fund shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds of the Lessee and shall be deposited, secured and invested in the manner provided in Subsection F below.

F. <u>Investment of Funds</u>. All moneys held in the System Funds shall be deposited in the Depository Bank. Such bank or banks shall invest such portion of the System Funds as is designated by the Governing Body in investment obligations ("Investment Obligations") which constitute lawful investments for counties pursuant to Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, subject, however, to the following limitations:

(1) Investment Obligations purchased as an investment of moneys in any System Fund held by the Lessee or the Depository Bank under the provisions of this Lease shall be deemed at all times to be a part of such System Fund and the income or interest earned, gains realized or losses suffered by a fund or account due to the investment thereof shall be retained in, credited or charged thereto as the case may be, subject, in the case of the Debt Service Reserve, to the provisions of Section 4.C of this Exhibit G; provided that escrow agreements may provide otherwise. (2) In computing the amount in all System Funds, including the accounts thereof, Investment Obligations purchased as an investment of moneys therein, shall be valued at the lesser of cost or fair market value. The value of investments in the Debt Service Reserve and the Depreciation Fund shall be determined as of the first day of each fiscal year. Valuation as of any date of computation shall include the amount of interest or gain realized to such date.

(3) The Lessee shall sell at the best price obtainable, or present for redemption or exchange, any Investment Obligations purchased by it pursuant to this Lease whenever it shall be necessary in order to provide moneys to meet any payment or transfer from the System Fund for which such investment was made. The Depository Bank shall advise the Lessee in writing, at such times as may be requested by the Lessee, of the details of all Investments Obligations held for the credit of each System Fund in its custody under the provisions of this Lease. The Depository Bank shall review and advise the Lessee annually on the nature and value of investments in each fund or account. In the event that the value of investments in the Debt Service Reserve falls below the level required by this Lease, the Depository shall notify the Lessee and the Lessee shall cure such deficiency as provided in Section 4.C of this Exhibit G.

The Lessee represents and certifies that no investment shall be made of the proceeds of any Parity Obligations or the Revenues of the System which will cause any outstanding Parity Obligations to be treated as arbitrage bonds within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code.

Section 5. Adoption of Budget of Current Expenses. The Lessee covenants and agrees that prior to the delivery of this Lease, the Governing Body will have adopted a budget of current expenses for the operation of the System for the remainder of the then current fiscal year ending June 30, and thereafter, on or before the first day of each fiscal year prior to the year of final maturity of any Parity Obligations, the Governing Body of the Lessee will adopt an annual budget of current expenses for the System (the "Annual Budget of Current Expenses") for the ensuing fiscal year, and will furnish a copy of such Annual Budget of Current Expenses or amendments thereto, upon request, to any holder of Parity Obligations. "Current Expenses" as used herein shall include all reasonable and necessary costs of operating, repairing, maintaining and insuring the System, but shall exclude any allowance for depreciation payments into the Depreciation Fund for extensions, improvements, and extraordinary repairs and maintenance, and payments into the Sinking Fund and the Debt Service Reserve. The Lessee further covenants that the Current Expenses incurred in any year shall not exceed the necessary and reasonable amounts required therefor, and that the Lessee will not expend any amount or incur any obligations for operation, maintenance and repair in excess of the amounts provided for Current Expenses in the current Annual Budget of Current Expenses, except on proper justification and resolution by the Governing Body of the Lessee, that such expenditures are necessary to operate and maintain the System. The Lessee further covenants that at the same time and in like manner, the Governing Body of the Lessee shall prepare an estimate of Revenues to be derived from the operation of the System for such fiscal year and that sufficient Revenues shall be provided, through the maintenance of proper rates and charges (and through the increase thereof if necessary) to satisfy the requirements of all of the provisions contained in this Lease, including the accumulation and maintenance of all required reserves specified herein.

Section 6. <u>Rates and Charges for Services of the System</u>. While any Parity Obligations remains outstanding and unpaid, the rates for all services and facilities rendered by the System to the Lessee and to its citizens, corporations or others requiring the same, shall be reasonable and just, taking into account and consideration the cost and value of the System, the cost of maintaining and operating the same, the proper and necessary allowances for depreciation thereof, and the amounts necessary for the retirement of all outstanding Parity Obligations and the accruing interest on all such outstanding Parity Obligations, and there shall be charged such rates and amounts as shall be adequate to meet all requirements of the provisions of this Lease. Prior to the delivery of this Lease, a schedule of rates and charges for the services rendered by the System to all users adequate to meet all requirements of this Lease has been established and adopted and is now in full force and effect.

The Lessee covenants that it will not reduce the rates and charges for services rendered by the System without first filing with the Secretary a certification of the Consulting Engineers to the effect that the annual Net Revenues (defined below) of the then existing System for the fiscal year preceding the date on which such reduction is proposed, as such annual Net Revenues are adjusted, after taking into account the projected reduction in Revenues anticipated to result from such proposed rate decrease, are equal to not less than 120% of the maximum debt service requirements falling due in any fiscal year thereafter for the principal of and interest on all of the then outstanding Parity Obligations. For purposes of determining compliance with the coverage required by this Section and the tests contained in Section 7.B and C hereof relating to Parity Obligations, the interest rate borne by indebtedness bearing interest at a variable rate shall be assumed to be equal to the higher of (i) 5.00% or (ii) the highest variable rate borne over the preceding 24 months by outstanding variable rate debt (issued pursuant to the provisions hereof) or by variable rate debt for which the interest rate is computed by reference to an index comparable to that to be utilized for the debt then proposed to be issued.

The Lessee also covenants to cause a report to be filed with the Governing Body within six (6) months after the end of each fiscal year by certified public accountants or Consulting Engineers, setting forth what was the precise percentage ("coverage") of the maximum debt service requirements falling due in any fiscal year thereafter for principal of and interest on all of the then outstanding Parity Obligations, produced or provided by the Net Revenues (defined below) in that fiscal year and the Lessee covenants that if and whenever such report so filed shall establish that such coverage of Net Revenues for such year was less than 120% of the maximum debt service requirements, the Lessee shall increase the rates by an amount sufficient, in the opinion of such engineers or accountants, to establish the existence of or immediate projection of, such minimum 120% coverage.

## Section 7. Inferior Obligations: Parity Obligations: and Surplus Facilities.

A. <u>Inferior Obligations</u>. Except as provided below in this Section, the Lessee shall not, so long as any Parity Obligations are outstanding, enter into any additional financing leases, issue any bonds or incur any indebtedness payable from the Revenues or any part thereof unless the lien or pledge of the Revenues to secure such additional bonds or indebtedness is made inferior and subordinate in all respects to the security of the outstanding Parity Obligations.

The Lessee expressly reserves the right at any time or times to issue its bonds or other obligations payable from the Revenues of the System and not ranking on a basis of equality and party with the outstanding Parity Obligations, without any proof of previous earnings or Net Revenues, but only if such bonds or other obligations are issued to provide for extensions, additions, improvements or other benefits to the System, and provided such inferior bonds or obligations whenever issued or incurred may only be issued or incurred with express recognition of the priorities, liens and rights created and existing for the security, source of payment and protection of the outstanding Parity Obligations; provided, however, that nothing in this Section is intended to restrict, or shall be construed as a restriction upon, the ordinary refunding of the outstanding Parity Obligations, if such refunding does not operate to increase, in any year until the final maturity of the refunding obligations, the aggregate of the principal and interest requirements of the Parity Obligations to remain outstanding and the Parity Obligations proposed to be refunded.

B. <u>Parity Obligations to Finance Future Extensions, Additions or Improvements: Conditions or Showings</u> <u>Required</u>. The Lessee further reserves the right to add new water and sewer and/or related auxiliary facilities, and/or to finance future extensions, additions or improvements to the System, by the issuance of one or more additional series of obligations to be secured by a lien on the basis of parity with the lien securing Parity Obligations, and ratably payable from the Revenues of the System, provided that:

(1) The facility or facilities to be constructed from the proceeds of the additional obligations issued for that purpose is or are made a part of the System and its or their Revenues are pledged as additional security for the additional obligations and the outstanding Parity Obligations.

(2) The Lessee is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of its bonds or other obligations then outstanding and payable from the Revenues of the System or any part thereof; and

(3) There shall have been procured and filed with the Secretary a statement by a certified public accountant, reciting the opinion based upon necessary investigation that the Net Revenues of the System for twelve (12) consecutive months out of the preceding eighteen (18) months (with adjustments as hereinafter provided) were equal to at least 1.25 times the maximum annual debt service that will become due in any fiscal year thereafter for both principal and interest on Parity Obligations, including the obligations then proposed to be issued. (The calculation of maximum net debt service requirements of or principal of and interest on the outstanding Parity Obligations, including the additional obligations to be issued shall, regardless of whether such obligations are to be serial or term obligations, be determined on the basis of the principal of, and interest on, such obligations being payable in approximately equal annual installments.)

"Net Revenues" as herein used are defined as Revenues less operating expenses, which shall include salaries, wages, cost of maintenance and operation, materials and supplies, pumping costs, insurance, and all other items that are normally and regularly so included under recognized accounting practices, exclusive of allowance for depreciation.

Such "Net Revenues" may be adjusted for the purpose of the foregoing computations to reflect (i) any revisions in the schedule of rates or charges being imposed at the time of the issuance of any such additional parity obligations, and also to reflect (ii) any increase in such Net Revenues projected by reason of the Revenues anticipated to be derived from the extensions, additions or improvements to the System being financed (in whole or in part) by such additional Parity Obligations; provided such latter adjustment shall be made only if contracts for the immediate acquisition or construction

of such extensions, additions or improvements have been or will have been entered into (secured by a 100% performance bond) prior to the issuance of such additional Parity Obligations. All of such adjustments shall be based upon the written certification of the Consulting Engineers.

(4) The interest payment dates for all such additional Parity Obligations shall be semiannually on August 1 and February 1 of each year, and the principal maturities thereof shall be on February 1 of the year in which any such principal is scheduled to become due.

C. <u>Parity Obligations to Refund or Refinance Outstanding Obligations</u>. In addition to obligations satisfying the requirements of Section 6.C above issued to refund outstanding Parity Obligations, the Lessee further reserves the right to issue one or more additional series of obligations to be secured by a parity lien on and ratably payable from the Revenues of the System, for the purpose of refunding or refinancing the outstanding Parity Obligations, or any portion thereof, provided that prior to the issuance of such additional Parity Obligations for that purpose, there shall have been procured and filed with the Secretary a statement by a certified public accountant, reciting the opinion based upon necessary investigation that:

(1) after the issuance of such Parity Obligations, the annual Net Revenues, as adjusted and defined above, of the then existing System for the fiscal year preceding the date of issuance of such Parity Obligations, after taking into account the revised debt service requirements resulting from the issuance of such Parity Obligations and from the elimination of the bonds or other obligations being refunded or refinanced thereby, are equal to not less than 120% of the maximum net annual debt service requirements then scheduled to fall due in any fiscal year thereafter for principal of and interest on all of the then outstanding Parity Obligations payable from the Revenues of the System, calculated in the manner specified above: or

(2) in the alternative, that the debt service requirements for the outstanding Parity Obligations and the proposed Parity Obligations, in any year of maturities thereof after the retirement, defeasance or redemption of the outstanding Parity Obligations scheduled to be refunded through the issuance of such proposed Parity Obligations, shall not exceed the scheduled net annual debt service requirements applicable to the Parity Obligations then outstanding for any corresponding year prior to the issuance of such proposed Parity Obligations and the retirement, defeasance or redemption of any Parity Obligations to be refunded.

The additional Parity Obligations, the issuance of which is restricted and conditioned by this Section, shall be understood to mean obligations payable from the income and Revenues of the System on a parity with the outstanding Parity Obligations, including this Lease, and shall not be deemed to include nor to prohibit the issuance of any other obligations, the security and source of payment of which is subordinate and subject to the priority of the payments into the Sinking Fund for the outstanding Parity Obligations and such additional Parity Obligations.

The interest payment dates for all such additional Parity Obligations shall be semiannually on August 1 and February 1 of each year, and the principal maturities thereof shall be on February 1 of the year in which any such principal is scheduled to become due.

D. Priority of Lien: Permissible Disposition of Surplus or Obsolete Facilities: Conditions. The Lessee covenants and agrees that so long as any Parity Obligations is outstanding, the Lessee will not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the facilities of the System, or any part thereof, and, except as provided for above, it will not create or permit to be created any charge or lien on the Revenues thereof ranking equal or prior to the charge or lien of the outstanding Parity Obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Lessee may at any time permanently abandon the use of, or sell at the fair market value, any part of the facilities of the System, provided that:

(1) It is in compliance with all covenants and undertakings in connection with all of the Parity Obligations then outstanding and payable from the Revenues of the System, and the Debt Service Reserve for such outstanding Parity Obligations is being maintained at the stipulated level; and

(2) It will in the event of any such sale, apply the proceeds to either (i) redemption of outstanding Parity Obligations in accordance with the provisions governing redemption of the outstanding Parity Obligations in advance of maturity, or purchase of outstanding Parity Obligations in the open market at not exceeding the next applicable redemption price, or (ii) replacement of the facility so disposed of by another facility, the Revenues of which shall be incorporated into the System as hereinbefore provided; and

(3) It certifies, in good faith, prior to any abandonment of use, that the facility or facilities to be abandoned is or are no longer economically feasible of producing substantial Net Revenues; and

(4) It certifies, in good faith, that the estimated Net Revenues of the remaining facilities of the System for the then next succeeding fiscal year, plus the estimated Net Revenues of the facility or facilities, if any, to be added to the System, comply with the earnings requirements hereinbefore provided in the provisions and conditions governing the issuance of additional Parity Obligations; and

(5) Such sale or disposition will not have the effect of causing any Parity Obligations to become arbitrage bonds.

Section 8. <u>All Parity Obligations Are Equal</u>. The outstanding Parity Obligations authorized and permitted to be issued hereunder, including the Lease, and from time to time outstanding, shall not be entitled to priority one over the other in the application of the income and Revenues of the System regardless of the time or times of their issuance, it being the intention that there shall be no priority among the outstanding Parity Obligations authorized or permitted to be issued, regardless of the fact that they may be actually issued and delivered at different times, subject to the provisions of the previous Section.

Section 9. Insurance.

A. <u>Fire and Extended Coverage</u>. If and to the extent that the System includes structures above ground level, the Lessee shall, upon receipt of the proceeds of the sale of the Lease, if such insurance is not already in force, procure fire and extended coverage insurance on the insurable portion of all of the facilities of the System.

The foregoing fire and extended coverage insurance shall be maintained so long as any of the outstanding Parity Obligations are outstanding and shall be in amounts sufficient to provide for not less than full recovery whenever a loss from perils insured against does not exceed eighty percent (80%) of the full insurable value of the damaged facility.

In the event of any damage to or destruction of any part of the System, the Lessee shall promptly arrange for the application of the insurance proceeds for the repair or reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed portion thereof.

B. <u>Liability Insurance on Facilities</u>. The Lessee shall, if such insurance is not already in force, procure and maintain, so long as any Parity Obligations are outstanding, public liability insurance relating to the operation of the facilities of the System to protect the Lessee from claims for bodily injury or death and claims for damage to property of others which may arise from the Lessee's operations of the System and any other facilities constituting a portion of the System in amounts that are commercially reasonable for operators of utility systems that are similar the System.

C. <u>Vehicle Liability Insurance</u>. If and to the extent that the Lessee owns or operates vehicles in the operation of the System, the Lessee shall, if such insurance is not already in force, procure and maintain, so long as any Parity Obligations are outstanding, vehicular public liability insurance in amounts that are commercially reasonable for operators of utility systems that are similar the System to protect the Lessee from claims for bodily injury or death and damage to property of others which may arise from the operation of such vehicles by the Lessee.

Section 10. <u>Records. Audits and Reports: Engineering Inspection</u>. Insofar as consistent with the laws of Kentucky, the Lessee agrees that so long as any of the Parity Obligations remains outstanding, it will keep proper books of records and account showing complete and correct entry of all transactions relating to the System in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (for facilities of like type and size), in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all pertinent transactions. All such records and books of account shall at all times during normal business hours be subject to inspection by the owners of 10% or more of the principal amount of the Parity Obligations then outstanding, or by their duly authorized representatives.

The Lessee further covenants that as soon as may be feasible after the close of each fiscal year, and in any event not later than one hundred twenty (120) days thereafter, the Lessee will cause an audit of the financial affairs of the System to be completed by independent state-licensed accountants, covering the operation of the System for the preceding fiscal year. A copy of said audit report shall be kept on file in the office of the Secretary, where it will be subject to inspection at any reasonable time by or on behalf of any owner of outstanding Parity Obligations. A condensation of the important facts shown by such report will be mailed to any such owner upon request.

The Lessee further covenants and agrees to retain an Consulting Engineers or to inspect the System and its operation at least once in each period of three (3) years and to file with the Secretary a written report of the findings and recommendations as a result of such inspection.

Section 11. General Covenants. The Lessee covenants, so long as any Parity Obligations remains outstanding, as follows:

A. It will at all times own and operate the System as a public project on a revenue producing basis, and will pennit no services to be rendered free of charge or without full compensation.

B. It will at all times maintain the System in good condition through application of Revenues accumulated and set aside for operation and maintenance as herein provided, and will make renewals and replacements as the same may be required, through application of Revenues accumulated and set aside into the Depreciation Fund.

C. To the extent permitted by law, it will not permit any competing water or sewer system, public or private, to sell or provide water or sewer services to customers within the service area of the Lessee.

D. It will perform all duties with reference to the System required by the Statutes and Constitution of Kentucky and will not sell, lease, mortgage or in any manner dispose of the System, or any part thereof except as authorized herein.

E. It will provide that, to the greatest extent permitted by law, utility service will be discontinued to any premises where there is a failure to pay any part of the aggregate charges billed, including such penalties and fees for disconnection or reconnection as may be prescribed from time to time.

Section 12. Events of Default: Remedies. The following items shall constitute an "event of default" on the part of the Lessee:

A. The failure to pay the principal of any Parity Obligations when due and payable, either at maturity or by proceedings for redemption.

B. The failure to pay any installment of interest on the outstanding Parity Obligations when the same shall become due and payable or within thirty (30) days thereafter.

C. The default by the Lessee in the due or punctual performance of any other of the covenants, conditions, agreements and provisions contained in this Lease, including this Exhibit.

D. The failure to promptly repair, replace or reconstruct needed or essential facilities of the System that have been damaged or destroyed.

E. The entering of an order or decree with the consent or acquiescence of the Lessee appointing a receiver of all or any part of the System or any Revenues thereof; or if such order or decree having been entered without the acquiescence or consent of the Lessee, its failure in not having the order vacated, discharged or stayed on appeal within sixty (60) days after entry.

F. The failure of the Lessee to fulfill any of its other obligations pursuant to this Lease, including this Exhibit G.

The Lessor may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceedings, enforce and compel performance by the Lessee and its officers and agents of all duties imposed or required by law or by this Lease including this Exhibit G in connection with the operation of the System, including the making and collection of sufficient rates, the segregation of the Revenues of the System and the application thereof in accordance with the provisions of this Lease, including this Exhibit G. Upon the occurrence of an "event of default" as defined above, then upon the filing of suit by the Lessor or any holder of any Parity Obligations, any court having jurisdiction of the action may appoint a receiver to administer the System on behalf of the Lessee, with power to charge and collect rates and charges for the services and facilities provided by the System sufficient to provide for the payment of any outstanding Parity Obligations and other obligations of the System, and the interest thereon, together with the expenses of operation and maintenance, and to apply the income and Revenues in accordance with the provisions of this Lease, including this Exhibit G, and of the applicable statutes of Kentucky, and to take such other legal action as may be appropriate for the protection of the Lessor or any such other holder.

The Lessee hereby agrees to transfer to any bona fide receiver or other subsequent operator of the System, pursuant to any valid court order in a proceeding brought to enforce collection or payment of the Lessee's obligations, all contracts and other rights of the Lessee pertaining to the System, conditionally, for such time only as such receiver or operator shall operate by authority of the court. In the event of default, the Lessor or the holder of any Parity Obligations may require the Governing Body of the Lessee by an action in mandamus to raise the rates a reasonable amount.

Section 13. <u>Covenant to Require Use of System</u>. The Lessee agrees that during the time any of the outstanding Parity Obligations are outstanding, it will take all such steps as may be necessary to cause the owners of all properties abutting upon any water and sewer lines of the Lessee to connect thereto and to keep connected thereto all water and sewer pipes on such properties. The foregoing covenant shall be in favor of and enforceable by the Lessee fails to take such steps, it may be required to do so by the Lessor or such other holders.

Section 14. <u>Security</u>. The Lease Rental Payments will constitute legal, valid and binding special and limited obligations of the Lessee, secured by a pledge of the Revenues of the System, and are payable out of the Sinking Fund created hereby. The Lessor and owners of the Parity Obligations shall have a first lien claim against the Sinking Fund and against the necessary designated portion or amount of the Revenues of the System. This Lease will rank on a parity as to security and source of payment with any other Parity Obligations. As security and source of payment of the Base Rentals payable under the Lease, the Lessee hereby pledges, assigns and grants to the Lessor a lien and security interest in the following for so long as the Lease shall remain in effect:

(1) all Revenues of the System;

(2) all net proceeds of insurance and condemnation, in each case after payment from time to time of costs of operating, maintaining, repairing and replacing the System:

(3) all of the Lessee's right, title and interest in and to all leases and subleases of the System or any assignment thereof; and

(4) all proceeds of the foregoing.

Except as may be otherwise expressly provided in this Lease or any amendment or supplement permitted hereunder, this pledge, assignment and grant of a lien and security interest shall be valid and binding from and after the date hereof, and all of the foregoing shall immediately be subject thereto without any physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien and security interest shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the Lessee, irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof, to the extent permitted by law; on a parity, however, with the lien and security interest granted as security for all Parity Obligations. The Lessee agrees to hold all of the foregoing collateral as agent for the Lessor and owners of any Parity Obligations, and to execute such additional documents, including financing statements, affidavits, notices and similar instruments, as may be required to perfect and maintain the security interest granted herein to the extent a security interest may be perfected and maintained in the collateral herein described.

Section 15. <u>Obligations of Lessee Unconditional</u>. The obligations of the Lessee to make the Lease Rental Payments due shall be absolute and unconditional, and shall not be subject to any diminution by right of set-off, counterclaim, recoupment or otherwise. During the term of this Lease, the Lessee shall not suspend or discontinue any Lease Rental Payments due hereunder.

### EXHIBIT H

### TAX CERTIFICATE

### CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTIONS 103(b)(2) AND 148 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED

### PARTICIPANT: Meade County Water District

### FINANCING AGREEMENT AMOUNT: \$2,070,000

### DATED: April 21, 2021

The Participant hereby certifies with respect to a Financing Agreement (the "Financing Agreement") with the Kentucky Bond Corporation (the "Corporation"), funded with a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds, as defined in the Financing Agreement, issued by the Corporation on behalf of the Participant, which is entered into for the purpose of (i) redeeming certain outstanding obligations (the "Prior Obligations") which financed certain improvements (the "Project") and (ii) funding a debt service reserve and made as of the date hereof (the "Closing Date"), which is the date of delivery of, and payment for, the Bonds and the Financing Agreement, that the following facts, estimates and circumstances regarding the amount and use of all of the Proceeds, as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-1(b), issued under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), of the Financing Agreement are, as of the Closing Date and according to the Participant's best knowledge, information and belief, reasonably expected to exist or to occur (with capitalized terms not defined herein having the meanings given them in the Financing Agreement or the Tax Compliance Agreement attached hereto):

A. <u>Proceeds</u>. The Proceeds of the Financing Agreement consist, and will consist, of the Sale Proceeds, Replacement Proceeds and Investment Proceeds, each as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-1(b), issued under the Code.

B. <u>Purpose of Issue</u>. The Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, together with certain other funds, will be used to fund a portion of a Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Fund (the "Reserve Fund") and redeem the Prior Obligations, each of which constitutes a valid governmental purpose (the "Governmental Purpose").

The total amount of Proceeds received by the Participant will not exceed the amount necessary to finance the Governmental Purpose. The Financing Agreement is being entered into at this time because the Prior Obligation has become due and payable.

C. <u>Yield on the Financing Agreement</u>. (1) The price at which a substantial amount of the Bonds related to the Financing Agreement were sold is set forth in the Certificate of Financial Advisor attached hereto.

(2) The Yield on the Financing Agreement, as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-4, issued under the Code, is variable and will be determined under Treas. Reg. § 1.148-4(c).

(3) The Yield on the Financing Agreement is equal to the Yield on the portion of the Bonds the proceeds of which financed the Financing Agreement; therefore, the Yield on the Financing Agreement does not exceed the Yield on the portion of the Bonds the proceeds of which financed the Financing Agreement.

D. <u>Application of Proceeds</u>. All of the Sale Proceeds will be used to fund a portion of the Reserve Fund and to redeem the Prior Obligation and to pay issuance expenses. No amount received as Proceeds of the Financing Agreement will be used in the manner not set forth in this section.

E. Expenditure of Proceeds for the Project. The Prior Obligation will be redeemed within 90 days of the date hereof.

F. Investment of Proceeds. (1) The Participant has agreed in the Tax Compliance Agreement that it will not invest any of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement without the express consent of the Corporation, and any such investments will be done so that such investment will not cause interest on either the Financing Agreement or the Bonds to be includable in the holder's gross income for purposes of federal income taxation or the debt to be treated as "arbitrage bonds" under Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. (2) Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement will be invested in investments that both do not carry out the Governmental Purpose of the Financing Agreement and have a substantially guaranteed yield for at least four (4) years.

(3) No account or fund has been or will be established to pay principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Financing Agreement. Other than the Reserve Fund, as described in Subsection (4) below, there are no moneys, sources of funds, securities or obligations that have been, or will be, pledged as collateral for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Financing Agreement, and there are no moneys, sources of funds, securities or obligations with respect to which the Issuer has given or will give any reasonable assurance to any holder of the Financing Agreement that such funds will be available to pay principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Financing Agreement.

(4) The amounts on deposit in Reserve Fund, which secures the combination of the Financing Agreement and all other financing agreements entered into pursuant to the Program (the "Program Financing Agreements"), on an aggregate basis, should not exceed the least of (i) 10% of the stated principal amount of the Program Financing Agreements, if original issue discount does not exceed 2% times the stated redemption price of the Bonds, or the Issue Price of the Program Financing Agreements, if original issue discount does exceed 2% times the stated redemption price of the Program Financing Agreements, ii) 125% of average annual Debt Service of the Program Financing Agreements, or (iii) 125% of average annual Debt Service of the Program Financing Agreements, or the amount held in all Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Funds in excess of the lowest of these limits will not be invested at a Materially Higher Yield or, if the amount so invested satisfies Treas. Reg. § 1.148-5(c)(3)(i)(E), issued under the Code, appropriate Yield Reduction Payments will be timely made. For purposes of calculating any Rebate Payments and Yield Reduction Payments due in Connection with the Bonds, the amount of the Reserve Fund allocable to the Financing Agreement will be determined in accordance with Treas. Reg. § 1.148-6.

(5) Any unexpended portion of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, including any amounts in the Reserve Fund or any additional Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Fund, will be invested as provided in the Trust Indenture for the Bonds and other than any funds described herein invested during an Applicable Temporary Period permitted under Treas. Regs. §§ 1.148-1 through -11, issued under the Code, if any, or any amounts in any Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Fund, as described in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-2(f), no Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, or any moneys that may become Replacement Proceeds, as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-1(c), of the Financing Agreement, in excess of the lesser of (i) five percent (5%) of such Proceeds or (ii) \$100,000, will be invested in "higher yielding investments," as defined in the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder.

G. <u>General</u>. (1) Neither the Project, nor any part thereof, will be sold or otherwise disposed of by the Participant prior to the final principal maturity date of the Financing Agreement.

(2) The Participant will allocate Proceeds of the Financing Agreement to reimburse itself only for capital expenditures paid not earlier than sixty (60) days prior to the Closing Date or not earlier than sixty (60) days prior to the date it adopted an official expression of intent to reimburse (the "Official Expression of Intent"), within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2, issued under the Code, if earlier, or as otherwise permitted pursuant to Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2.

(3) There are no amounts, other than the Gross Proceeds of the Financing Agreement that are available for the Governmental Purpose. Other than the Reserve Fund, here are no sinking funds or pledged funds and the term of the Financing Agreement is not longer than reasonably necessary for the Governmental Purpose.

(4) Any Rebate Payments and any Yield Reduction Payments, owed pursuant to Section 148(f) of the Code, will be remitted to the United States Treasury as directed by the Corporation, pursuant to the Tax Compliance Agreement entered into with respect to the Bonds.

(5) The Participant has not employed in connection with the Financing Agreement a transaction or series of transactions that attempts to circumvent the provisions of Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder, enabling the Participant to exploit the difference between tax-exempt and taxable interest rates to gain a material financial advantage and/or increasing the burden on the market for tax-exempt obligations through actions such as issuing more obligations, issuing obligations sooner or allowing them to remain outstanding longer than would otherwise be necessary for the Governmental Purpose.

(6) The Issuer has never been advised of any listing or contemplated listing by the Internal Revenue Service to the effect that the Participant's certification with respect to its obligations may not be relied upon and no notice to that effect has been published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin.

(7) With respect to the Financing Agreement, the first, and each subsequent, "Bond Year", as defined in Treas. Reg. §1.148-1(b) shall end on February 1, commencing with the first February 1, subsequent to the Closing Date.

(8) Certain of the facts, estimates and circumstances contained herein are based upon representations made by the Financial Advisor in the attached certificate, or in other letters and reports that accompany the sundry closing documents related to the sale and delivery of the Financing Agreement and the Bonds. The Participant is not aware of any facts, estimates or circumstances that would cause it to question the accuracy of such representations. To the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the undersigned, who is authorized by the Participant to sign this certificate on behalf of the Participant, the above expectations of the Participant as stated herein are reasonable and there are no other facts, estimates or circumstances that would materially change the foregoing conclusion.

## CHECK IF APPLICABLE

 $\Box$  (9) During this calendar year, the Participant, which has general taxing powers, has not issued and does not expect to issue tax-exempt bonds, including any tax-exempt bonds issued by any subordinate entities, but excluding "private activity bonds," as defined in the Section 141 of the Code, and any refunding bonds, as defined in Section 148(f)(4)(D)(iii) of the Code, exceeding \$5,000,000 in aggregate face amount.

(10) Participant does not reasonably anticipate that the total principal amount of "tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code which the Participant or any subordinate entity of the Participant will issue during the calendar year in which the Financing Agreement is executed and delivered will exceed \$10,000,000; and, therefore, the Participant hereby designates the Financing Agreement as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation".

[Signature Page to Follow]

## [Signature Page to No-Arbitrage Certificate]

This certificate is being executed and delivered pursuant to Treas. Regs. §§ 1.148-1 through -11 issued under the Code, of which the undersigned, with the advice of counsel, is generally familiar. On the basis of the foregoing, it is not expected that the proceeds of the Financing Agreement will be used in a manner that would cause the Financing Agreement or the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" under Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 of the Code or the Treasury Regulations thereunder.

WITNESS my hand effective as of the date first set forth above.

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT and By: Chair

### CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL ADVISOR

The undersigned hereby certifies on behalf of RSA Advisors, LLC (the "Financial Advisor") that (1) the Bonds were sold by competitive sale on March 31, 2021 (the "Sale Date") under a written and binding agreement, dated the Sale Date, the terms of which have not been materially altered since the Sale Date; (2) the purchase prices for the Bonds are set forth in Exhibit A hereto, which purchase prices were not less than the fair market value of each maturity of the Bonds as of the Sale Date; (3) it is of the opinion that the amount deposited in the Reserve Fund is reasonable and necessary because no reserve fund or a reserve fund in a lesser amount would adversely affect the interest rates at which the Bonds could be sold; and (4) this certificate may be relied upon by the Participant in executing the foregoing certificate and by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP in rendering any opinion with respect to the Bonds or the Financing Agreement.

RSA ADVISORS, LLC

MANAGNY Partner By: Title:

Dated: April 21, 2021

# Attachment to No-Arbitrage Certificate TAX COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

# KENTUCKY BOND CORPORATION

PARTICIPANT:

Meade County Water District

DATE OF AGREEMENT:

April 21, 2021

FINANCING AGREEMENT AMOUNT: \$2,070,000

This Tax Compliance Agreement relates to a Financing Agreement between the Participant and the Kentucky Bond Corporation dated the date of this Tax Compliance Agreement.

## TAX COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

THIS TAX COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT (the "Tax Compliance Agreement") is made and entered into as of the date shown on the cover page hereto between the KENTUCKY BOND CORPORATION (the "Corporation") and the Participant shown on the cover page hereto (the "Participant");

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Participant has agreed, in a lease agreement (the "Financing Agreement") dated the date hereof (with capitalized terms not defined herein having the meanings given them in the Financing Agreement) to borrow the Financing Agreement Amount shown on the cover page hereto pursuant to a Program administered by the Corporation and funded with the portion of the proceeds of Bonds issued by the Corporation on behalf of the Participant to fund a Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Fund and to redeem certain obligation of the Lessee (the "Prior Obligations") the proceeds of which were used to finance the project identified in the Financing Agreement (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the parties hereto to enter into this Tax Compliance Agreement to ensure that interest paid on the Bonds and on the Financing Agreement shall all be and shall all remain excludible from gross income for Federal income purposes, pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and is not and will not become a specific item of tax preference under Section 57(a)(5)(C) of the Code for the federal alternative minimum tax and to comply with the requirements of the No-Arbitrage Certificate (as hereinafter defined).

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree and bind themselves as follows:

# ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to words and terms defined elsewhere in this Tax Compliance Agreement, the Code and Regulations, the No-Arbitrage Certificate, the Indenture and the Financing Agreement, the following capitalized words and terms used in this Tax Compliance Agreement shall have the following meanings, unless some other meaning is plainly intended:

"AMT Bond" means a Qualified Private Activity Bond, other than a Qualified 501(c)(3) Bond, the interest on which is a specific item of tax preference under Section 57(a)(5) of the Code, subject to the federal alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code.

"Arbitrage Bond" means any obligation of a Governmental Entity that is treated as an arbitrage bond under Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 of the Code.

"Applicable Temporary Period" means the temporary investment period available for each particular category of Gross Proceeds of Governmental Obligations, as provided in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-2(e), issued under the Code, during which time the Gross Proceeds may be invested at a Materially Higher Yield. The Applicable Temporary Period for amounts in a Capital Acquisition Fund ends three years, after the Closing Date of Governmental Obligations, the Applicable Temporary Period for amounts deposited into a Bona Fide Debt Service Fund ends thirteen months after the date of deposit into the fund, the Applicable Temporary Period for Investment Proceeds of Governmental Obligations ends one year after the date of receipt or deemed receipt of the monies, the Applicable Temporary Period for Replacement Proceeds of Governmental Obligations ends thirty days after the date the amounts become Replacement Proceeds and the Applicable Temporary Period for Disposition Proceeds of Governmental Obligations will be determined under Treas. Reg. § 1.141-12(a), issued under the Code.

"Bona Fide Debt Service Fund" means a fund that is used primarily to achieve a proper matching of revenues with Debt Service of Governmental Obligations within each Bond Year and is depleted at least once each Bond Year, except for the Permitted Carryover.

"Bond Counsel" means a nationally recognized bond counsel experienced in municipal finance, particularly in the issuance of bonds the interest on which is excluded from gross income pursuant to the Code.

"Bond Year" means the period commencing on the Closing Date of Governmental Obligations and ending on a date no later than one year after the Closing Date and then each one-year period commencing the day after such date and each anniversary of such date thereafter.

"Capital Acquisition Fund" means a fund that is to be used to finance the acquisition or construction of assets that qualify as Capital Expenditures.

"Capital Expenditure" means any expense that is properly depreciable or amortizable or is otherwise treated as a capital expenditure under the Code, and for the purposes of determining eligible Reimbursement Allocations, Costs of Issuance.

"Closing Date" means the date of this Tax Compliance Agreement.

"Cost of Issuance" means any expenditure incurred in connection with the issuance of the Financing Agreement or the Participant's share of such expenditures relating to the Bonds, including such costs as underwriters' spread, rating agency fees, appraisal costs, attorneys' and accounts' fees and printing costs, but excluding Qualified Guarantee Fees or expenditures incurred in connection with the acquisition of the Project.

"Debt Service" means any principal and interest payments on obligations.

"Disposition Proceeds" means the amounts, including property, received from the sale, exchange or other disposition of the Project.

"Disproportionate Private Use" means the excess of Related Private Use over the Related Governmental Use.

"Federally-Guaranteed" means having the payment of either the principal of or interest on any portion of the Financing Agreement or any loan made with the Proceeds of any portion of the Financing Agreement guaranteed, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, by the United States, or acquiring any Investment Property that is, directly or indirectly federally-insured, except as otherwise permitted by Section 149(b) of the Code.

"Governmental Entity" means any State and any political subdivision and agency of any State.

"Governmental Facility" means any property owned by one or more Governmental Entities financed or refinanced with Governmental Bonds, if no more than 10% of the property is used by Private Users.

"Governmental Issuer" means the Governmental Entity that is the debtor on or issuer of a Governmental Obligation.

"Governmental Obligation" means any debt obligation of a Governmental Entity.

"Gross Proceeds" means Sale Proceeds, Investment Proceeds, Transferred Proceeds and Replacement Proceeds, determined pursuant to Treas. Regs. §§ 1.148-1(b) and -1(c), all until spent.

"Investment Proceeds" means any amounts actually or constructively earned or received from investing the Proceeds in Investment Property.

"Investment Property" means any security (as defined in Section 165(g)(2)(A) or (B) of the Code), obligation (not including any Tax-Exempt Bond other than an AMT Bond), annuity contract or other investment-type property and any Residential Rental Property.

"Materially Higher Yield" means any Yield that is greater than the Yield permitted to be earned under Section 148 of the Code and Treas. Regs. §§ 1.148-1 through -11, issued under the Code.

"Minor Portion" means an amount of the Proceeds of Governmental Obligations, other than Proceeds invested in a Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Fund or Proceeds invested during an Applicable Temporary Period, not in excess of the lesser of (i) 5% of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, or (ii) \$100,000.

"No-Arbitrage Certificate" means the "Certificate under Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as Amended," for the Bonds and the Financing Agreement given by the Participant, including certifications given with respect thereto by the Financial Advisor.

"Non-Governmental Entity" means any person or entity, other than a Governmental Entity.

"Nonpurpose Investment" means any Investment Property other than a Purpose Investment.

"Pledged Fund" means any amount pledged, directly or indirectly, to pay principal of or interest on the Financing Agreement and which provides reasonable assurance of such amounts being paid even if the Participant experiences financial difficulties, including amounts subject to a negative pledge.

"Private Activity Bond" means any Governmental Obligation if (i) there is more than 10% Private Use of the Proceeds of the obligations and more than 10% of the principal of or interest on the obligations is secured or to be paid, either directly or indirectly, by any Private User; (ii) more than the lesser of 5% of the Proceeds of the obligations or \$5,000,000 is used to make Private Loans; (iii) there is more than 5% in the aggregate of Unrelated Private Use and Disproportionate Private Use and more than 5% of the principal of or interest on the obligations is secured or to be paid, either directly or indirectly with respect to or from property financed with the Proceeds of the obligations that is used in an Unrelated Private Use or Disproportionate Private Use; all as described in Section 141 of the Code.

"Private Loan" means any loan, directly or indirectly, of any of the Proceeds of an obligation of a Governmental Entity to any Non-Governmental Entity.

"Private Use" means the use of any Proceeds of the Financing Agreement or any facilities financed with such Proceeds by Private Users.

"Private User" means any Non-Governmental Entity, other than a natural person not engaged in a trade or business.

"Purpose Investment" means Investment Property purchased with Gross Proceeds of the Governmental Obligations to carry out the governmental purpose for which the obligations were issued, as provided in Treas. Reg. §1.148-1(b), issued under the Code.

"Qualified 501(c)(3) Bond" means any Qualified Private Activity Bond that satisfies the requirements of Section 145 of the Code.

"Qualified Private Activity Bond" means any Private Activity Bond that satisfies the requirements of Section 141(e) of the Code.

"Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Fund" means any fund that is pledged as security for or is available for payment of any Debt Service of any Governmental Obligation and is reasonably required by a lender, a State or other governmental or regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the Governmental Issuer, a national bond rating agency, or an underwriter or financial advisor and that satisfies the limitations of Treas. Reg. §1.148-2(f), issued under the Code.

"Rebate Amount" means the amount determined by the Corporation pursuant to the No-Arbitrage Certificate.

"Rebate Payment" means any payment of the Rebate Amount made to the United States Treasury.

"Redemption Date" means the date on which the last of the principal of and interest on the Financing Agreement has been paid, whether upon maturity, redemption or acceleration thereof.

"Reimbursement Allocation" means a written allocation of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement intended to reimburse the Participant for Capital Expenditures for the Project that were paid prior to the Closing Date, provided that any such allocation is made no later than eighteen (18) months after the later of the date the Capital Expenditure was paid or the date the Project was placed in service, but in no event later than three (3) years after the payment date. Any written allocation made within thirty (30) days after the Closing Date shall be treated as if made on the Closing Date.

"Reimbursement Resolution" means a declaration of intent, under Treas. Reg. §1.150-2, by the Participant to finance, by issuing debt, Capital Expenditures. For this purpose, the issuance of debt to finance specific facilities shall constitute a Reimbursement Resolution, the date of adoption of which shall be no later than the Closing Date of such debt.

"Related Private Use" means any Private Use that is not Unrelated Private Use.

"Replacement Proceeds" means amounts replaced by Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, including any sinking fund, Pledged Fund, restricted gifts (not including qualified endowment funds, pursuant to Treas. Reg. § 1.148-6(d)(3)(iii)(C)) or reserve or replacement fund, or other funds that would be available, directly or indirectly, to pay debt service on any of the Financing Agreement, within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.148-1(c).

"Research Agreement" means an agreement between the Participant and a Private User under which the Participant or the Private User uses any portion of the Project to carry on research.

"Residential Rental Property" means any residential rental property for family units not located in the jurisdiction of the Governmental Issuer or not acquired to implement a court ordered or approved housing desegregation plan.

"Sale Proceeds" means the Financing Agreement Amount shown on the cover page hereto.

"Service Contract" means a contract between the Participant and a Service Provider under which the Service Provider provides services involving any portion or function of a Governmental Facility financed with Governmental Bonds.

"Service Provider" means any Private User that provides management or other services.

"State" means any state and possession of the United States and the District of Columbia.

"Tax-Exempt Bond" means (i) any Governmental Obligation the interest on which is excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes, under Sections 103 and 150(a)(6) of the Code, (ii) any Pre-TRA Bond, (iii) certain taxexempt mutual funds, as provided in Treas. Reg. § 1.150-1(b), issued under the Code, and (iv) any Demand Deposit SLGS.

"Transferred Proceeds" means transferred proceeds as defined in Treas. Reg. §1.148-9.

"Treasury Regulation" and "Treas. Reg." means any Regulation, Proposed Regulation or Temporary Regulation, as may be applicable, issued by the United States Treasury Department pursuant to the Code or the 1954 Code, as appropriate.

"Unrelated Private Use" means any Private Use that is not related to the Use by a Governmental Entity of Governmental Facilities.

"Yield" means, pursuant to Treas. Regs. §§ 1.148-4 and -5, that discount rate which, when computing the present value of all payments of principal and interest to be paid on an obligation, produces an amount equal to, in the case of the Financing Agreement, the Issue Price and in the case of any Investment Property, the fair market value, as provided in Treas. Reg. § 1.148-5(d).

"Yield Reduction Amount" means the amount determined by the Corporation pursuant to the Tax Regulatory Agreement.

"Yield Reduction Payment" means any payment of the Yield Reduction Amount made to the United States Treasury.

SECTION 1.02. Interpretative Rules. For all purposes of this Tax Compliance Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires (a) "Tax Compliance Agreement" means this instrument, as originally executed and as it may from time to time be supplemented or amended pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof; (b) all references in this instrument to designated "Articles," "Sections" and other subdivisions are to the designated Articles, Sections and other subdivisions of this instrument as originally executed; (c) the words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder" and "herewith" and other words of similar import refer to this Tax Compliance Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision; (d) the terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to

them in this Article and include the plural as well as the singular; (e) all accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; (f) the terms defined elsewhere in this Tax Compliance Agreement shall have the meanings therein prescribed for them; (g) words of the masculine gender shall be deemed and construed to include correlative words of the feminine and neuter genders; (h) the headings used in this Tax Compliance Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not define or limit the provisions hereof.

### ARTICLE II

# COVENANTS AND REPRESENTATIONS OF CORPORATION AND THE PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS BY, DIRECTIONS TO AND FROM CORPORATION AND THE PARTICIPANT

SECTION 2.01. <u>Authority and Organization</u>. (a) The Participant represents for the benefit of the Corporation that it is a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Kentucky with the power, among others, to enter into the Financing Agreement in furtherance of its corporate purposes, including financing the cost of the Project; and

(b) The Corporation represents for the benefit of the Participant that (i) the Corporation is a nonprofit corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and (ii) the Corporation has full power and authority granted to it by the Commonwealth of Kentucky to establish a program to enter into fixed rate financing agreements with cities, political subdivisions and public agencies of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

SECTION 2.02. Use of Proceeds. The Participant represents that:

(a) <u>No Private Use of Proceeds</u>. No more than 10% of the Use of either the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement or the Project may be Private Use if more than 10% of the principal of or interest on the Financing Agreement is secured or to be paid, either directly or indirectly, by any Private User, no more than 5% of the Use of either the Proceeds of the Obligations or the Project may be for an Unrelated Private Use or Disproportionate Private Use and no more than the lesser of 5% of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement or \$5,000,000 may be used to make Private Loans.

(b) <u>Expectations</u>. The Participant expects to redeem the Prior Obligation no later than 90 days after the Closing Date.

(c) <u>Use of the Project</u>. The Participant will own or lease and operate the Project during the entire term of the Financing Agreement and will not change the use or ownership of any part of a Project during the entire term of the Financing Agreement without consultation of Bond Counsel and the prior written consent of the Corporation.

(d) <u>Investment Limitations</u>. (i) The Participant will restrict the investment of the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement and take such other actions as may be necessary so that the Financing Agreement will not constitute Arbitrage Bonds. Except for an amount equal to the Minor Portion and amounts in Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Funds, neither the Gross Proceeds of the Financing Agreement nor any Disposition Proceeds of the Financing Agreement may be invested at a Materially Higher Yield after the expiration of any Applicable Temporary Periods, unless any permitted Yield Reduction Payments are made.

(ii) The Participant should invest the Proceeds of the Financing Agreement separately from its other investments.

(iii) No more than 50% of the Sale Proceeds of the Financing Agreement may be invested in Nonpurpose Investments with a substantially guaranteed Yield for four or more years.

(iv) Either no amount on deposit in all Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Funds for the combination of the Financing Agreement and all other financing agreements entered into pursuant to the Program (the "Program Financing Agreements") on an aggregate basis, should exceed the least of (i) 10% of the stated principal amount of the Program Financing Agreements, if original issue discount does not exceed 2% times the stated redemption price of the Obligations, or the Issue Price of the Program Financing Agreements, if original issue discount does exceed 2% times the stated redemption price of the Program Financing Agreements, (ii) the maximum annual Debt Service of the Program Financing Agreements, or (iii) 125% of average annual Debt Service of the Program Financing Agreements, or the amount held in all Reasonably Required Reserve or Replacement Funds in excess of the lowest of these limits may not be invested at a Materially Higher Yield or, if the amount so invested satisfies Treas. Reg. § 1.148-5(c)(3)(i)(E), issued under the Code, appropriate Yield Reduction Payments should be timely made.

(v) If at any time, either the Participant determines or is informed that the Yield on the investment of moneys held by itself or any other person must be restricted or limited in order to prevent the Bonds from becoming Arbitrage Bonds, the Participant shall and shall so instruct any holder of the Sale Proceeds or Investment Proceeds of the Financing Agreement to take such action or actions as may be necessary to restrict or limit the yield on such investments as set forth in, and in accordance with, such instruction.

(e) <u>Federal Guarantees</u>. The Gross Proceeds will not be invested in any Investment Property that is Federally-Guaranteed.

SECTION 2.03. <u>Service Contracts</u>. The Participant represents that it will not enter into any Service Contracts or management contracts with respect to the Project without the prior written consent of Bond Counsel and the Corporation.

SECTION 2.04. <u>Research Agreements</u>. The Participant represents that it will not enter into any Research Agreements with respect to the Project without the prior written consent of the Corporation.

SECTION 2.05. <u>Changes in Use or User of Project</u>. The Participant represents that (a) no part of the Project will be sold, otherwise disposed of or leased without the prior written consent of the Corporation; (b) it will not to permit any use of its Project by any person or entity other than itself without the prior written consent of the Corporation; (c) any portion of a Project consisting of personal property may be sold in the ordinary course of an established governmental program if (i) the weighted average maturity of the portion of the Financing Agreement financing the personal property was not greater than one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the reasonably expected actual use of such personal property by the Participant, (ii) the Participant expected at the date of the Financing Agreement that the fair market value of the personal property at the time of disposition would not be greater than twenty-five percent (25%) of its cost and (iii), at the time of disposition, the personal property is no longer suitable for the governmental purpose for which it was acquired.

SECTION 2.06. <u>Investments</u>. The Participant will invest the Gross Proceeds of the Financing Agreement and any Disposition Proceeds of the Financing Agreement only under the Investment Agreement unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Corporation.

SECTION 2.07. <u>Records</u>. The Participant represents that proper records and accounts, containing complete and correct entries of all transactions relating to the Financing Agreement, the use of the Gross Proceeds of the Financing Agreement and the expenditures made in connection with the acquisition of the Project, will be maintained. The information described in this Section will be retained for at least six (6) years after the Redemption Date.

SECTION 2.08. Payment of Arbitrage Compliance Amounts. The Participant represents that all actions necessary to comply with the Yield limitations applicable to investments of the Sale Proceeds and Investment Proceeds of the Financing Agreement and the Rebate requirements contained in Section 148(f) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder will be taken. Immediately upon the request of the Corporation, the Participant will assemble copies of records concerning investments of Gross Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, including any amounts held by any provider of a letter of credit or guarantor under a reimbursement or other similar agreement. In particular, the Participant will provide the Corporation with information that will enable the Corporation to determine if any Rebate Amount is payable. The Participant will pay any Rebate Payment and any Yield Reduction Payment owed with respect to the Gross Proceeds of the Financing Agreement, as determined by the Corporation. The information described in this Section will be retained for at least six (6) years after the Redemption Date.

SECTION 2.09. Information Reporting Requirements. The Participant represents that it will timely execute and file any information reports required under Section 149(e) of the Code (Form 8038-G) or as required by the Corporation.

SECTION 2.10. <u>Compliance with Tax Compliance Agreement</u>. (a) The Participant and the Corporation may, at any time, employ bond counsel, independent certified public accountants, or other qualified experts acceptable to the Corporation to perform any of the requirements imposed upon the Participant by this Tax Compliance Agreement.

(b) The Participant and the Corporation agree, to the extent reasonably possible, to comply with any amendments to the Code or any applicable Regulations, effective retroactively, and the Participant and the Corporation shall take all actions necessary to amend this Tax Compliance Agreement to comply therewith.

(c) Whenever any action or direction is required of the Participant hereunder, such action or direction may, or in the absence of any such action or direction may be made by the Corporation.

SECTION 2.11. Section 265 Designation. (a) The Corporation hereby designates the Financing Agreement as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes and within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. In support of such designation, the Participant certifies that the Financing Agreement will not be at any time "private activity bonds" (as defined in Section 141 of the Code) other than "qualified 501(c)(3) bonds" (as defined in Section 145 of the Code). The Corporation further certifies that, as of the date hereof in the current calendar year, (i) no tax-exempt obligations of any kind other than the Bonds have been issued for the benefit of the Participant, and (ii) not more than \$10,000,000 of obligations of any kind (including the Bonds) benefitting the Participant during the current calendar year will be designated for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

(b) The Participant is not subject to Control by any entity, and there are no entities subject to Control by the Participant.

(c) On the date hereof, the Participant does not reasonably anticipate that for the current calendar year any Section 265 Tax-Exempt Obligations (except for the Financing Agreement) will be issued for its benefit. "Section 265 Tax-Exempt Obligations" are obligations the interest on which is excludible from gross income of the owners thereof under Section 103 of the Code, except for private activity bonds other than qualified 501(c)(3) bonds. The Corporation will not issue for the benefit of the Participant or any entity subject to control by the Participant (which may hereafter come into existence) of Section 265 Tax-Exempt Obligations (including the Financing Agreement) that exceed the aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 during the current calendar year unless it first obtains an opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that such issuance will not adversely affect the treatment of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for the purpose and within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Participant and the Corporation have each caused this Tax Compliance Agreement to be executed in its own name and on its behalf by its duly authorized officers, all as of the date set forth on the cover page hereto.

### KENTUCKY BOND CORPORATION

By:

Secretary

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MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: 11 Chair

#### EXHIBIT I

# CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

THIS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021, between the Meade County Water District (the "Participant") and Kentucky Bond Corporation, as disclosure agent (the "Disclosure Agent").

## RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Participant has entered into a Lease (the "Lease") dated the date hereof with respect to which the Corporation issued its Bonds (the "Corporation Bonds") under the Indenture described in the Lease, and offered and sold the Corporation Bonds pursuant to an offering circular containing information regarding the Participant (the "Offering Document"); and

WHEREAS, the Disclosure Agent and the Participant, wish to provide for the disclosure of certain information concerning the Lease and the Corporation Bonds and other matters on an ongoing basis as set forth herein for the benefit of Holders of Corporation Bonds in accordance with the provisions of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time (the "Rule");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements made herein and in the Lease, the receipt and sufficiency of which consideration is hereby mutually acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Section 1. Definitions; Scope of this Agreement.

(A) All terms capitalized but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to those terms in the Lease, as amended and supplemented from time to time. Any such successor disclosure agent shall automatically succeed to the rights and duties of the Disclosure Agent hereunder, without any amendment hereto. The following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Financial Information" shall mean a copy of the annual audited financial information prepared for the Participant which shall include, if prepared, a balance sheet, a statement of revenue and expenditure and a statement of changes in fund balances. All such financial information shall be prepared using generally accepted accounting principles, provided, however, that the Participant may change the accounting principles used for preparation of such financial information so long as the Participant includes as information provided to the public, a statement to the effect that different accounting principles are being used, stating the reason for such change and how to compare the financial information provided by the differing financial accounting principles.

"Beneficial Owner" shall mean any person which has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Corporation Bonds (including persons holding Corporation Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries).

"Financial Obligation" shall mean (a) a debt obligation, (b) a derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (c) a guarantee of either (a) or (b). The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

"Holders of Bonds" shall mean any holder of the Corporation Bonds and any Beneficial Owner thereof.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Material Event" shall mean, to the extent the Participant obtains knowledge, (i) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (ii) non-payment related defaults; (iii) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (iv) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (v) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (vi) adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security; (vii) modifications to rights of security holders, if material; (viii) bond calls, except for mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event; (ix) defeasances; (x) release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the securities; (xi) rating changes; (xii) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event; (xiii) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Participant, other than in the ordinary course of business, or entering into or the terminating an agreement relating to any such actions; (xiv) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material (xv) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer or Obligated Persons, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer or Obligated Person, any of which affect security holders, if material; (xvi) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer or Obligated Person, any of which reflect financial difficulties and (xvii) failure (of which the Participant has knowledge) to provide the required Annual Financial Information on or before the date specified herein; provided, that the occurrence of an event described in clauses (i), (iii), (iv), (v), (viii), (ix) and (xi) shall always be deemed to be material. The SEC requires the listing of (i) through (xvii) although some of such events may not be applicable to the Corporation Bonds.

"Operating Data" shall mean an update of the Operating Data contained in the Offering Document, if any.

"Participating Underwriter" shall mean any of the original underwriters of the Corporation Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of the Corporation Bonds.

"Release" shall mean Securities and Exchange Commission Release No. 34-34961.

"SEC" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"SID" shall mean the state information depository ("SID"), as such term is used in the Release, if and when a SID is created for the State.

"State" shall mean the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Turn Around Period" shall mean (i) five (5) business days, with respect to Annual Financial Information and Operating Data delivered by the Participant to the Disclosure Agent; (ii) two (2) business days with respect to Material Event occurrences disclosed by the Participant to the Disclosure Agent; or (iii) two (2) business days with respect to the failure, on the part of the Participant, to deliver Annual Financial Information and Operating Data to the Disclosure Agent which period commences upon notification by the Participant of such failure, or upon the Disclosure Agent's actual knowledge of such failure.

(B) This Agreement applies to the Corporation Bonds and the Lease.

(C) The Disclosure Agent shall have no obligation to make disclosure about the Corporation Bonds or the Lease except as expressly provided herein; provided that nothing herein shall limit the duties or obligations of the Disclosure Agent, as Program Administrator, under the Indenture. The fact that the Disclosure Agent or any affiliate thereof may have any fiduciary or banking relationship with the Participant, apart from the relationship created hereby, shall not be construed to mean that the Disclosure Agent has actual knowledge of any event or condition except in its capacity as Program Administrator under the Indenture or except as may be provided by written notice from the Participant.

Section 2. Disclosure of Information.

(A) <u>General Provisions</u>. This Agreement governs the Participant's direction to the Disclosure Agent, with respect to information to be made public. In its actions under this Agreement, the Disclosure Agent is acting not as Program Administrator but as the Participant's agent; provided that the Disclosure Agent shall be entitled to the same protection in so acting under this Agreement as it has in acting as Program Administrator under the Indenture.

(B) <u>Information Provided to the Public</u>. Except to the extent this Agreement is modified or otherwise altered in accordance with Section 3 hereof, the Participant shall make or cause to be made public the information set forth in subsections (1), (2) and (3) below:

(1) <u>Annual Financial Information and Operating Data</u>. Annual Financial Information and Operating Data at least annually not later than 300 days after the end of Participant's current fiscal year and continuing with each fiscal year thereafter, for which the information is provided, taking into account the Turn Around Period, and, in addition, all information with respect to the Corporation Bonds required to be disseminated by the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture.

(2)Material Events Notices. Notice of the occurrence of a Material Event.

(3) Failure to Provide Annual Financial Information. Notice of the failure of Participant to provide the Annual Financial Information and Operating Data by the date required herein.

(C) Information Provided by Disclosure Agent to Public.

The Participant directs the Disclosure Agent on its behalf to make public in accordance with (1)subsection (D) of this Section 2 and within the time frame set forth in clause (3) below, and the Disclosure Agent agrees to act as the Participant's agent in so making public, the following:

- the Annual Financial Information and Operating Data; (a)
- (b) Material Event occurrences:

(c) the notices of failure to provide information which the Participant has agreed to make public pursuant to subsection (B)(3) of this Section 2;

such other information as the Participant shall determine to make public through the (d) Disclosure Agent and shall provide to the Disclosure Agent in the form required by subsection (C)(2) of this Section 2. If the Participant chooses to include any information in any Annual Financial Information report or in any notice of occurrence of a Material Event, in addition to that which is specifically required by this Agreement, the Participant shall have no obligation under this Agreement to update such information or include it in any future Annual Financial Information report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event; and

> (2)The information which the Participant has agreed to make public shall be in the following form:

as to all notices, reports and financial statements to be provided to the Disclosure Agent (a) as Program Administrator by the Participant, in the form required by the Lease or other applicable document or agreement; and

as to all other notices or reports, in such form as the Disclosure Agent shall deem (b) suitable for the purpose of which such notice or report is given.

(3)The Disclosure Agent shall make public the Annual Financial Information, the Operating Data, the Material Event occurrences and the failure to provide the Annual Financial Information and Operating Data within the applicable Turn Around Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Annual Financial Information, Operating Data and Material Events shall be made public on the same day as notice thereof is given to the Holders of Bonds of outstanding Corporation Bonds, if required in the Indenture, and shall not be made public before the date of such notice. If on any such date, information required to be provided by the Participant to the Disclosure Agent has not been provided on a timely basis, the Disclosure Agent shall make such information public as soon thereafter as it is provided to the Disclosure Agent.

Means of Making Information Public. (D)

Information shall be deemed to be made public by the Participant or the Disclosure Agent under (1)this Agreement if it is transmitted as provided in subsection (D)(2) of this Section 2 by the following means:

to the Holders of Bonds of outstanding Corporation Bonds, by the method prescribed (a)

by the Indenture;

to the MSRB, by (i) electronic facsimile transmissions confirmed by first class mail, (b) postage prepaid, or (ii) first class mail, postage prepaid; provided that the Participant or the Disclosure Agent is authorized to transmit information to a MSRB by whatever means are mutually acceptable to the Disclosure Agent or the Participant, as applicable, and the MSRB; and/or

to the SEC, by (i) electronic facsimile transmissions confirmed by first class mail, (c) postage prepaid, or (ii) first class mail, postage prepaid; provided that the Participant or the Disclosure Agent is authorized to transmit information to a SEC by whatever means are mutually acceptable to the Disclosure Agent or the Participant, as applicable, and the SEC.

(2) Information shall be transmitted to the following:

(a) all Annual Financial Information and Operating Data shall be made available to the

MSRB:

(b) notice of all Material Event occurrences and all notices of the failure to provide Annual Financial Information or Operating Data within the time specified in Section 2(B)(1) hereof shall be made available to the MSRB; and

(c) all information described in clauses (a) and (b) shall be made available to any Holder of Bonds upon request, but need not be transmitted to the Holders of Bonds who do not so request.

(d) to the extent any Annual Financial Information or Operating Data is included in a document filed with the MSRB or the SEC, the Participant shall have been deemed to have provided that information if a statement specifically referencing the filed document is filed with the MSRB as part of the Participant's obligation to file Annual Financial Information and Operating Data pursuant to this Agreement. Additionally, if the referenced document is a final official statement (as that term is defined in Rule  $15c_2-12(f)(3)$ ), it must be available from the MSRB.

With respect to requests for periodic or occurrence information from Holders of Bonds, the Disclosure Agent may require payment by requesting of holders a reasonable charge for duplication and transmission of the information and for the Disclosure Agent's administrative expenses incurred in providing the information.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require the Disclosure Agent to interpret or provide an opinion concerning the information made public. If the Disclosure Agent receives a request for an interpretation or opinion, the Disclosure Agent may refer such request to the Participant for response.

(E) <u>Disclosure Agent Compensation</u>. The Participant shall pay or reimburse the Disclosure Agent for its fees and expenses for the Disclosure Agent's services rendered in accordance with this Agreement as provided in the Lease.

(F) Indemnification of Disclosure Agent. The Participant shall indemnify and hold harmless the Disclosure Agent and its respective officers, directors, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, liabilities, reasonable costs and expenses whatsoever (including attorney fees) which such indemnified party may incur by reason of or in connection with the Disclosure Agent's performance under this Agreement; provided that the Participant shall not be required to indemnify the Disclosure Agent for any claims, damages, losses, liabilities, costs or expenses to the extent, but only to the extent, caused by the willful misconduct or gross negligence of the Disclosure Agent in such disclosure of information hereunder. The obligations of the Participant under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Disclosure Agent and payment of the Corporation Bonds.

Section 3. <u>Amendment or Waiver</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Participant and the Disclosure Agent may amend this Agreement (and the Disclosure Agent shall agree to any reasonable amendment requested by the Participant) and any provision of this Agreement may be waived, if such amendment or waiver is supported by an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel or counsel expert in federal securities laws acceptable to both the Participant and the Disclosure Agent to the effect that such amendment or waiver would not, in and of itself, cause the undertakings herein to violate the Rule if such amendment or waiver had been effective on the date hereof but taking into account any subsequent change in or official interpretation of the Rule as well as any change in circumstance.

### Section 4. Miscellaneous.

(A) <u>Representations</u>. Each of the parties hereto represents and warrants to each other party that it has (i) duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the officer of such party whose signature appears on the execution pages hereto, (ii) that it has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement under its organizational documents and any corporate resolutions now in effect, (iii) that the execution and delivery of this Agreement, and performance of the terms hereof, does not and will not violate any law, regulation, ruling, decision, order, indenture, decree, agreement or instrument by which such party is bound, and (iv) such party is not aware of any litigation or proceeding pending, or, to the best of such party's knowledge, threatened, contesting or questioning its existence, or its power and authority to enter into this Agreement, or its due authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement, or otherwise contesting or questioning the issuance of the Corporation Bonds.

(B) <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State; provided that, to the extent that the SEC, the MSRB or any other federal or state agency or regulatory body with jurisdiction over the Corporation Bonds shall have promulgated any rule or regulation governing the subject matter hereof, this Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in a manner consistent therewith.

(C) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision hereof shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions hereof shall survive and continue in full force and effect.

(D) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

(E) <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by any party to this Agreement upon thirty days' written notice of termination delivered to the other party or parties to this Agreement; provided the termination of this Agreement is not effective until (i) the Participant, or its successor, enters into a new continuing disclosure agreement with a disclosure agent who agrees to continue to provide, to the MSRB and the Holders of Bonds, all information required to be communicated pursuant to the rules promulgated by the SEC or the MSRB, (ii) nationally recognized bond counsel or counsel expert in federal securities laws provides an opinion that the new continuing disclosure agreement is in compliance with all State and Federal Securities laws and (iii) notice of the termination of this Agreement is provided to the MSRB.

This Agreement shall terminate when all of the Corporation Bonds are or are deemed to be no longer outstanding by reason of redemption or legal defeasance or at maturity.

(F) <u>Defaults: Remedies</u>. A party shall be in default of its obligations hereunder if it fails to carry out or perform its obligations hereunder.

If an event of default occurs and continues beyond a period of thirty (30) days following notice of default given in writing to such defaulting party by any other party hereto or by a beneficiary hereof as identified in Section 4(G), the nondefaulting party or any such beneficiary may (and, at the request of the Participating Underwriter or the holders of at least 25% aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Corporation Bonds, the non-defaulting party shall), enforce the obligations of the defaulting party under this Agreement; provided, however, the sole remedy available in any proceeding to enforce this Agreement shall be an action in mandamus, for specific performance or similar remedy to compel performance.

(G) <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Agreement is entered into by the parties hereof and shall inure solely to the benefit of the Participant, the Trustee, the Disclosure Agent, the Participating Underwriter and Holders of Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Section 5. <u>Additional Disclosure Obligations</u>. The Participant acknowledges and understands that other state and federal laws, including but not limited to the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, may apply to the Participant, and that under some circumstances compliance with this Agreement, without additional disclosures or other action, may not fully discharge all duties and obligations of the Participant under such laws.

Section 6. Notices. Notices shall be provided in the manner set forth in the Lease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Disclosure Agent and the Participant have each caused their duly authorized officers to execute this Agreement, as of the date set first set forth above.

By:

### KENTUCKY BOND CORPORATION

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Secretary

MEADE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: Into Chair

#### EXHIBIT J

### AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE SERVICE AGREEMENT

This Agreement ("Agreement"), dated as of April 21, 2021, is between The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee ("BNY Mellon") and the Meade County Water District, Kentucky (the "Participant"). Pursuant to certain services rendered by BNY Mellon on behalf of the Kentucky Bond Corporation for the Kentucky Bond Corporation Financing Program to the Participant, the Participant hereby authorizes BNY Mellon to initiate Automated Clearing House debit entries (the "ACH Entries") to its demand deposit account indicated below (the "Account"), maintained at the depository named below (the "Depository") and the Depository is authorized to debit the amount of each such ACH Entry to the Account and transfer the funds to the credit of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. in accordance with the Automated Clearing House Operating Rules.

DEPOSITORY NAME: Meade County BA	INK BRANCH: BRANdenburg, Ky
	TATE: KIJ ZIP: 40108 ACCOUNT NO.: 0011363

1. The parties agree as follows:

- 2. NACHA Rules. In providing services pursuant to this Agreement, BNY Mellon follows the Rules and Guidelines of the National Automated Clearing House Association, as amended from time to time (the "Rules"), except to the extent they are modified by the terms of this Agreement. The Rules are incorporated by reference into this Agreement. The terms that are used in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as they have under the Rules. The Participant and BNY Mellon agree to comply with and be subject to the Rules governing the transactions hereunder. By transmitting an entry BNY Mellon makes certain warranties under the Rules, such as correct account information, and the Participant hereby agrees to make the same warranties to BNY Mellon.
- 3. Adjustment of Entries, Returns. The Participant understands and agrees that any corrections, additions, deletions, or other adjustments to the entries requested by the Participant may be attempted by BNY Mellon but are not assured. The Participant further understands and agrees that BNY Mellon may not be able to adjust or correct any entry after such entry has been presented to the Originating Automated Clearing House serving BNY Mellon. BNY Mellon also reserves the right to terminate ACH transactions if they are returned and/or alter data if BNY Mellon receives a Notice of Change ("NOC") from the receiving financial institution. If an error in the ACH file or an ACH entry is discovered, the Participant may direct BNYM to initiate a reversing entry within the time and in the manner prescribed by the NACHA Rules. The Participant agrees to reimburse BNY Mellon for all costs and expenses incurred by implementing a reversing file or a reversing entry, including all costs associated with the indemnification provisions of the NACHA Rules.

If a debit entry initiated by BNY Mellon is returned or rejected, BNY Mellon does not attempt a second collection or redeposit unless requested by the Participant, but BNY Mellon reserves the right to refuse to honor a second collection or redeposit request. If the designated Account does not have sufficient funds, BNY Mellon reserves the right to suspend any ACH Origination Service. The Participant shall then make any required payments to BNY Mellon via check or wire transfer.

BNY Mellon reserves the right to charge the applicable Account if an item (including but not limited to, an ACH debit) deposited or charged to the applicable Account is dishonored, returned or not paid even if BNY Mellon has not sent the Participant notice of the dishonor, return or nonpayment. BNY Mellon also reserves the right to charge an unpaid item against the applicable Account even if BNY Mellon could have made a claim for reimbursement on the item from the bank on which the item was drawn or from another bank. BNY Mellon may charge an item against the applicable Account even if an overdraft.

4. Limitation of Liability/Indemnity. The Participant agrees, to the extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold harmless BNY Mellon from all liabilities, losses, claims or damages, including reasonable attorney's fees, BNY Mellon incurs as a result of (i) the Participant's breach of warranty, (ii) the Participant's failure to perform under this Agreement, or (iii) BNY Mellon's performance under this Agreement except as a result of BNY Mellon's own negligence or willful misconduct. In no event shall BNY Mellon be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, consequential or punitive damages, or attorneys' fees. The Receiving Depository Financial Institution ("RDFI")

warrants the accuracy of any Notifications of Change and Returns pursuant to the NACHA Rules and BNY Mellon is not liable if the RDFI sends incorrect data to BNY Mellon and BNY Mellon acts upon their incorrect data.

- 5. Termination. Either party may terminate this Agreement upon prior written notice to the other party of at least thirty (30) days. This Agreement shall automatically terminate upon termination of the Financing Agreement between the Participant and Kentucky Bond Corporation (as defined in the Kentucky Bond Corporation Financing Program documents dated as of August 1, 2010). Notwithstanding such termination, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect with respect to all transactions hereunder that occur prior to the date of such termination.
- 6. Force Majeure. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, BNY Mellon shall not be liable for any failure, inability to perform, or delay in performance hereunder, if such failure, inability, or delay is due to acts of God, war, civil commotion, governmental actions, fire, explosion, strikes, other industrial disturbances, terrorist attacks, delays by third parties, equipment malfunction, unusually severe weather conditions, or any other cause, event, or circumstance that is beyond its reasonable control.
- 7. Notices. All notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given three days after depositing in the mail, certified mail, return receipt requested, or one day after deposited with an overnight delivery system, addressed, in the case of notice to BNY Mellon, to:

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. 614 West Main Street, Suite 2600 Louisville, KY 40202 Attn: Susanna N. Patterson

and in the case of Notice to the Participant, to:

Meade County Water District 1003 Armory Road Brandenburg, Kentucky 40108

or to such other address as the party to receive notice may provide in writing to the other party in accordance with this Section.

- 8. Partics Bound; Assignment. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon, the respective successors and assigns of the partices hereto, but it may not be assigned in whole or in part by Participant without the prior written consent of BNY Mellon. BNY Mellon may assign this Agreement to any of its affiliates or, with notice to the Participant, to independent third parties.
- Governing Law. The Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- 10. Miscellaneous. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior agreements. This Agreement may be amended only in writing executed by the parties hereto.
- 11. Customer Information. BNY Mellon and Participant agree that all information provided by Participant to BNY Mellon or to which BNY Mellon has access in the course of providing the Service under this Agreement to Participant, including but not limited to names, addresses, telephone numbers and account numbers ("Customer Information"), shall remain confidential. BNY Mellon agrees not to use the Customer Information for any purpose other than as required for the performance of BNY Mellon's obligations with regard to the Service, and BNY Mellon agrees not duplicate or incorporate the Customer Information into BNY Mellon's own records or databases other than is necessary to provide the Service. Any dissemination of the Customer Information within BNY Mellon's affiliates and to BNY Mellon's subcontractors shall be on a "need to know" basis for the sole purpose of the performance of the Service.

BNY Mellon agrees to implement appropriate measures designed to ensure the security and confidentiality of Participant's Customer Information, protect against reasonably foresceable threats or Brandenburgs to the security or integrity of such information, and protect against unauthorized access to or use of such information. Such measures include, as appropriate, the establishment and maintenance of policies, procedures, and technical, physical, and administrative safeguards.

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In witness whereof, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

ER DISTRICT, KENTUCKY MEADE COUN  $\sim$ MA By:

Authorized Official

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A.

By:

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