

July 20, 2023

Linda Bridwell Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

Re: North Mercer Water District Case No. 2023-00185 Filing Deficiency

Dear Executive Director Bridwell.

We are in receipt of your June 28, 2023 correspondence. We understand that the Regulations require us to submit our 2022 annual report and that information has now been provided. However, our rate increase is reliant upon 2021 information for the reasons set forth below.

In filing for our rate increase, we were trying to comply with the PSC's order to file an ARF as soon as possible. The District has limited personnel and have been working diligently to complete a 3.4 million dollar infrastructure project. Due to the limited resources, the District sought the assistance of Kentucky Rural Water. Kentucky Rural Water has also been inundated with requests for assistance with rate cases. North Mercer was put on a waiting list.

By the time Kentucky Rural Water was able to assist NMWD with our filing all of our information was in the hands of the auditor and inaccessible by the District and Kentucky Rural Water. To avoid further delay, 2021 data was used. We respectfully request a deviation from the guideline to allow 2021 data to be used. If this is not possible, we respectfully request an extension of time to allow us to gather the 2022 data and resubmit the application. If this needs to be done in the form of a formal Motion please advise.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Norrie Clevenger Currens

Cc: Mischell Lee, North Mercer Water District