

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

ELECTRONIC BLACK MOUNTAIN WATER	)	CASE NO.
DISTRICT UNACCOUNTED FOR WATER	)	2023-00202
LOSS REDUCTION PLAN, SURCHARGE	)	
AND MONITORING	)	

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**MOTION TO USE SURCHARGE PROCEEDS**

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Comes now, Black Mountain Utility District (“Black Mountain”), by counsel, and respectfully moves the Kentucky Public Service Commission (“Commission”) to use proceeds of the Water Loss Reduction Surcharge. In support of this motion, Black Mountain states as follows:

1. In Case 2022-00275<sup>1</sup> the Commission ordered Black Mountain to assess a monthly Water Loss Reduction Surcharge of \$2.63<sup>2</sup> per active meter to be phased in over three years. The Commission ordered that the surcharge should continue for 48 months, or until \$319,316 has been assessed, whichever occurred first.

2. On October 9, 2023, the Commission established this proceeding to monitor Black Mountain’s Water Loss Reduction Surcharge. The Commission found that before Black Mountain District can utilize any proceeds from the surcharge, Black Mountain must obtain permission from the Commission.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 2022-00275, *Electronic Application of Black Mountain Utility District for a Rate Adjustment Pursuant To 807 KAR 5:076*, October 9, 2023 Order at 13-17.

<sup>2</sup> Case No. 2022-00275, October 9, 2023 Order, Appendix A. Black Mountain will begin collecting \$5.27 on October 9, 2024.

<sup>3</sup> October 9, 2023 Order at 5.

3. Black Mountain has been working diligently to address its water loss issues. In doing so, Black Mountain has incurred costs and is requesting the Commission grant approval to use the water loss surcharge to pay for the improvements. As of September 12, 2024, the surcharge contains \$81,635.72.<sup>4</sup>

4. Black Mountain made repairs at Church Street, Dockie Lane, Ligget Street, Brooks Street, Fredrick Street and Terrys Fork Road. The repairs totaled \$15,235.71. Invoices are filed separately as Excel files.

5. Black Mountain is also including invoices for leak detection at various points in Black Mountain's system. Those invoices totaled \$14,428.16 and are included as Attachment A to this motion.

WEREFORE, Black Mountain moves the Commission to permit Black Mountain District to use \$29,663.87 of its Water Loss Reduction Surcharge to pay for the parts and repairs at six (6) different locations and to be reimbursed for the time and travel included in the invoices.

This 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>4</sup> Case No. 2023-00202, Water Loss Surcharge Report (filed Sept. 12, 2024).

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on September 30, 2024, and that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085 no paper copies of this filing will be made.

*Heather S. Temple*

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# **ATTACHMENT A**



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:		Worker Information		
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	DANIEL SMITH		
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD			
Truck number	T03	Miles Travaled	403	
Phone	(606)573-1277	Phone		
Start Time	Stop Time			Date
0800	1600			05/13-5-17
TIME LEAK DETECTING		QTY	COST	Total
LEAK DETECTING 05/13/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/14/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/15/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/16/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/17/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>				<b>\$1,127.20</b>
Work Done				
<p><b>DID LEAK DETECTION IN KENVIR (KY0480603) CHECKED 410 METERS AND 12 VALVES FOR LEAKS FOUND THREE LEAKS ON CUSTOMERS SIDE AND FIVE ON BMUD SIDE OF SERVICE LINE.</b></p>				



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:			Worker Information			
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT		DANIEL SMITH			
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD		KY0480572-1			
Truck number	T03		Miles Travaled	873		
Phone	(606)573-1277		Phone			
Start Time	Stop Time				Date	
0800	1600				06/03-06/26	
DATE LEAK DETECTING			QTY	COST	Total	
6/3/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/4/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/10/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/11/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/12/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/13/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/14/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/17/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/20/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/21/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/24/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/25/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
6/26/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
TOTAL COST					\$2,930.72	
<b>Work Done</b>						
<b>STARTED LEAK DETECTING WALLIN (KY0480572) 872 METERS            FOUND 8 LEAKS ON SERVICE LINES ONE CRACK IN A THREE            INCH MAIN LINE AND 6 LEAKS ON CUSTOMERS SIDE.</b>						



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:		Worker Information		
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	DANIEL SMITH		
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD			
Truck number	T03	Miles Travaled	362	
Phone	(606)573-1277	Phone		
Start Time	Stop Time			Date
0800	1600			05/05-05/08
TIME LEAK DETECTING		QTY	COST	Total
LEAK DETECTING 05/06/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/07/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/08/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>				<b>\$676.32</b>
Work Done				
<p><b>FINISHED LOUELLEN (KY0480498) TO THE END OF THE LINE            FOUND ONE MORE LEAK ON A ONE INCH METER ON THE            CUSTOMERS SIDE.</b></p>				



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:		Worker Information			
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	DANIEL SMITH			
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD	KY0480265-1			
Truck number	T03	Miles Travaled	123		
Phone	(606)573-1277	Phone			
Start Time	Stop Time			Date	
0800	1600			05/09-05/10	
TIME LEAK DETECTING			QTY	COST	Total
LEAK DETECTING 05/09/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/010/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44
					\$0.00
					\$0.00
					\$0.00
					\$0.00
					\$0.00
					\$0.00
					\$0.00
TOTAL COST					\$450.88
<b>Work Done</b>					
<b>LEAK DETECTION IN COXTON (KY0480265) AND CHECKED 109 METERS AND FOUND A 3 GPM LEAK ON ONE METER</b>					





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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:			Worker Information			
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT		DANIEL SMITH			
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD		KY0480461-1			
Truck number	T03		Miles Travaled	315		
Phone	(606)573-1277		Phone			
Start Time	Stop Time				Date	
0800	1600				08/01-08/30	
DATE LEAK DETECTING			QTY	COST	Total	
8/1/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/2/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/5/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/6/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/7/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/8/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/15/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/16/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/19/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/20/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/29/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
8/30/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
					\$0.00	
TOTAL COST					\$2,705.28	
<b>Work Done</b>						
<b>LEAK DETECTION ON SUKEY RIDGE CHECKED 219 METERS AND            USED FLOW METER ON ENTIRE SYSTEM FOUND ONE 20 GPM            LEAK ON FOUR MILE ROAD AND A 12 GPM LEAK AT 2033 SOUTH            HWY 119 ON A SERVICE LINE</b>						



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:		Worker Information		
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	DANIEL SMITH		
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD	KY0480277-1		
Truck number	T03	Miles Travaled	524	
Phone	(606)573-1277	Phone		
Start Time	Stop Time			Date
0800	1600			05/20-5-29
TIME LEAK DETECTING		QTY	COST	Total
LEAK DETECTING 05/20/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/21/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/22/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/23/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/24/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/27/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/28/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/29/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
<b>TOTAL COST</b>				<b>\$1,803.52</b>
Work Done				
<p><b>DID LEAK DETECTION IN DAYHOIT KY0480277 CHECKED 451 METERS AND 15 VALVES FOUND LEAK AT RAIL ROAD CROSSING AND TWO SERVICE LINE LEAKS</b></p>				



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:		Worker Information		
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	DANIEL SMITH		
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD			
Truck number	T03	Miles Travaled	243	
Phone	(606)573-1277	Phone		
Start Time	Stop Time			Date
0800	1600			
TIME LEAK DETECTING		QTY	COST	Total
LEAK DETECTING 05/01/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/02/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
LEAK DETECTING 05/03/2024		8	28.18	\$225.44
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>				<b>\$676.32</b>
Work Done				
<p><b>LEAK DETECTION LOUELLEN (KY0480498) TO THE END OF THE LINE AT HOLMS MILL FOUND TWO STILLING AND THREE SERVICE LINE LEAKS</b></p>				



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# LEAK DETECTION

Employer:			Worker Information			
Name	BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT		DANIEL SMITH/DWAYNE BLIVENS			
Address	609 FOUR MILE ROAD		KY0480341-1			
Truck number	T02/T03		Miles Travaled	1024		
Phone	(606)573-1277		Phone			
Start Time	Stop Time				Date	
0800	1600				07/01-07/31	
DATE LEAK DETECTING			QTY	COST	Total	
7/1/2024			16	28.18	\$450.88	
7/2/2024			16	28.18	\$450.88	
7/3/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/8/2024			16	28.18	\$450.88	
7/9/2024			16	28.18	\$450.88	
7/10/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/11/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/12/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/22/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/23/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/24/2024			16	28.18	\$450.88	
7/29/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
7/30/2024			8	28.18	\$225.44	
TOTAL COST					\$4,057.92	
<b>Work Done</b>						
<p><b>LEAK DETECTION ON GREEN HILLS (KY0480341) WENT THROUGH 456 METERS AND DID FLOW METERING ON THE ENTIRE SYSTEM FOUND TWO LEAKS THAT WAS 20 GPM AND 4 SERVICE LINE LEAKS</b></p>						