

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO	)	
THE FINANCIAL AND OPERATING CAPACITY	)	
OF BLACK MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	)	CASE NO
AS WELL AS POSSIBLE VACANCIES ON THE	)	2023-00235
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BLACK	)	
MOUNTAIN UTILITY DISTRICT	)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Comes now Black Mountain Water District (“Black Mountain”), by and through counsel, and respectfully requests the Kentucky Public Service Commission (“Commission”) to grant an extension of time to file a general adjustment of rates as required by the Commission’s August 20, 2024 Order requiring Black Mountain to file an application for a general adjustment of rates by July 1, 2025. In support of its motion, Black Mountain respectfully states as follows:

1. On October 9, 2023, the Commission opened an investigation into Black Mountain’s financial and operating capacity. Black Mountain responded to multiple requests for information by Commission Staff and a formal hearing was held.

2. On August 20, 2024, the Commission issued an order addressing any violations that Black Mountain had committed. Included in the August 20, 2024 Order, the Commission ordered Black Mountain to file an application for a general adjustment of rates by July 1, 2025. On June

30, 2025, Black Mountain requested an extension of time to file for a general adjustment of rates. The Commission granted that extension on August 11, 2025.¹

3. Since August 20, 2024, Black Mountain has worked diligently to correct any issues with its financial and managerial capacity. Black Mountain has attempted to curtail water loss and repair its system. When Black Mountain requested the initial extension of time in June, it had experienced turnover with its manager and multiple Commissioners had resigned. Since June, Black Mountain has experienced additional challenges. More Commissioners have resigned, and there have not yet been appointments for all the vacancies. Additionally, Black Mountain's new manager left and the utility is in the process of hiring its third manager in 2025.

4. Black Mountain has contacted Kentucky Rural Water Association to preform the necessary studies that will be needed for a rate adjustment. However, due to the issues outside of Black Mountain's control, it has been unable to prepare the required information that Kentucky Rural Water Association needs to then prepare its rate studies.

5. Black Mountain is requesting an additional 120 days to file a request for an adjustment of rates. Black Mountain believes it can deliver the required information to Kentucky Rural Water Association, the rate studies can be completed, and an application can be filed within the next 120 days.

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, Black Mountain respectfully requests that the Commission grant an extension of 120 days to file an application for a general adjustment of rates.

This the 10th day of November 2025.

¹ August 11, 2025 Order (Ky. PSC August 11, 2025).

Respectfully submitted,

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