RE: ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF THE HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.'S MONTHLY WATER LOSS SURCHARGE ACTIVITY REPORT

#### **CASE NUMBER 2023-00355**

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> HCWA NOTICE OF FILING YEARLY PROGRESS REPORT AS TO WATER LOSS IMPROVEMENT AND WATER SURCHARGE SUMMATION OF COLLECTED MONIES THROUGH MARCH

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of: ELECTRONIC FILING OF
THE HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.
("HCWA") AS TO THE MONTHLY WATER LOSS SURCHARGE REPORT

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#### NOTICE OF FILING OF YEARLY WATER LOSS REPORT UPDATE AND PROGESS WITH CUMULATIVE SURCHARGE ACTIVITY REPORT

Comes now the Harrison County Water Association, Inc., by and through their counsel, Mr. Jesse P. Melcher, Esq., attested to by manger, Nathan Fields, and hereby files the yearly water loss report for the year of 2024, and all cumulative information from surcharge activity from February 2024 to February 2025, as follows:

### **CUMULATIVE SURCHARGE COLLECTION AND BILLING INFORMATION**

- A. The cumulative summation of surcharge activity for the period, beginning in February, 2024 (first billing, billed in March) to January, (billed in February, due February 15, 2025).
- B. The total amount of billings for the period was = \$108,489.81, and collections was \$90,381.72 for timely paid bills (not including late paid bills).
- C. The total amount collected for timely paid bills and late bills, from February to January 2025, is \$95,841.61, including late paid bills.
- D. The amount cumulative amount deposited for the period, was 16.25, in 2024, and \$3.70 (for 2025); see last statement of surcharge activity and bank statement, filed, March 2025.
- E. HCWA has a ending balance for the month of February of \$95,868.56 (\$95,848.61 amount collected with late bills + \$19.95, interest).

## HCWA EXPENDITTURES AND REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURES

- HCWA has made two requests for reimbursement and/or authorization of expenditure for a hydro machine (reimbursement request) in the amount of \$63,341.36 made herein on 11/26/2024, and a valve turner with accessories (purchase amount request) in the amount of \$3,763.38, made herein, on 2/5/25
- II. HCWA has responded to all request of KY PSC, but has not received authorization for reimbursement and/or purchase as of the date of this filing.

#### **WATER LOSS PROGRESS**

- 1. HCWA has reported annual water loss in 2022 of 20.5%, in 2023 of 21.5%, and for 2024 the amount of 26.13%. see attached filing of 2024 annual water loss summation.
- 2. HCWA does believe that it has increased efforts to locate and mitigate water leaks acutely, and that use of the hydro-machine has improved the operability of the water distribution system; although it recognizes the reported trending of cumulative water loss is increasing as opposed to decreasing.
- 3. HCWA purchases water from multiple water suppliers (City of Cynthiana, Kentucky American Water, and Nicholas County Water District); however, the billings for all three are for different periods in the month, and the inconsistency of master meter reads for billings from the wholesale water providers, in correlation to HCWA meter readings for its customers/members, created a confusion as to accuracy of the true water loss; HCWA now manual reads the master meters for the same periods that it

- bills its customers/members to give what it believes is a more accurate representation of the water loss in the distribution system.
- **4.** HCWA recognizes the necessity to improve on its water loss percentage and is committed to continuing to acutely address all water leaks and distribution infrastructure improvement necessities.
- **5.** HCWA currently has a 3.6 million dollar loan request, to replace over three miles of aging main distribution line, that is known to have leakage, but due to the ongoing climate in Washington, the loan is in hold status.
- **6.** HCWA is looking at alternative ways to address, and/or fund its necessary improvements/updates to the distribution system, to reduce its water loss percentage.

Respectfully submitted,

s/MR. JESSE P. MELCHER, ESQ.
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# CERTIFICATION/VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

I, Nathan Fields, Manager, for the Harrison County Water Association, Inc., hereby certify that I have read over the foregoing information being submitted to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, and that all averments and statements herein are true and accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.

NATHAN FIELDS, MANAGER

We, Hather Russell (print name) and Muldowl (print name) as two witnesses, state that Nathan Fields, did in our presence execute their signatures, and affirm and acknowledge their certification to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, concerning Harrison County Water Association Inc.'s, reporting requirements pursuant to KY Public Service Commission, Case No.'s 2023-00154 and 2023-00355

WITNESS # 1 (Print Name)

WITNESS # 2 (Print Name) NILLU LUBOVE