## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF JESSAMINE-SOUTH ELKHORN WATER DISTRICT FOR APPROVAL TO REFINANCE INDEBTEDNESS

CASE NO. 2024-00298

## JESSAMINE-SOUTH ELKHORN WATER DISTRICT'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST NO. 1:** Provide a schedule of prior refinancings of debt. In that schedule, explain

why the debt was not converted to long term financing without ballon payments.

**RESPONSE:** As the Commission is aware from the proceeding in Case No. 2022-00344, the

loans at Central Bank were initiated in 2014 for 5-year terms and renewed for additional 5-year

terms in 2019. The balloon payments at initiation and renewal were done upon recommendation

by then Chairman, L. Nicholas Strong.

Witness: James F. Hall

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**REQUEST NO. 2:** Explain the arrangement Jessamine-South Elkhorn has with the bank for

the existing loans which matured on September 30, 2024, given that it did not apply for

refinancing until October 7, 2024.

**RESPONSE:** The bank verbally agreed to wait until the approval process with the Commission

was finished and the District continued to make scheduled payments during the interim.

Witness: James F. Hall

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**REQUEST NO. 2:** Explain how Jessamine-South Elkhorn plans to fund the balloon payment

on the proposed mortgage loan in year five.

**RESPONSE:** It is planned to fully retire the debt on or before year five.

Witness: James F. Hall

## **VERIFICATION**

The undersigned, James F. Hall, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Chairman of the Jessamine South Elkhorn Water District, and that he has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the responses for which he is identified as the witness, and the answers contained therein are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

J.F. Hall

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY	)
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COUNTY OF JESSAMINE	)

Acknowledged, subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of December, 2024, by James F. Hall, Chairman of and for and on behalf of the Jessamine-South Elkhorn Water District.

My commission expires: January 15, 2027.

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