COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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AUGUSTA TO INCREASE THE WHOLESALE)	CASE NO.
WATER RATE CHARGED TO BRACKEN)	2024-00349

COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

In the Matter of:

REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF DOUG PADGET **OPERATIONS MANAGER**

March 19, 2025

INTRODUCTION

- 2 Q1. Please state your name and business address?
- 3 A1. My name is Doug Padget and my business address is 203 Ferry Street, Augusta,
- 4 Kentucky 41002.

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- 5 Q2. By whom are your employed?
- 6 A2. I am the Operations Manager of the City of Augusta's Utility Division.
- 7 Q3. Please summarize your academic and professional background?
- 8 А3. 1985 Graduate of Western Kentucky University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 9 Agriculture Business, minor in Business Administration. 2015 – present, Operations 10 Manager for the City of Augusta's utilities. 2008 – 2015, Tourism Director for the City of Augusta. 1990 – 2008, employed at Buffalo Trace Area Development District 11 (BTADD), located in Maysville, Kentucky, as the Economic Development Director. At 12 13 BTADD, I was responsible for preparation of federal and state funding applications to promote economic development. Responsible for administration of the funded 14 projects. Projects included water treatment plants, water line extensions, sewer 15 treatment plants, sewer collection systems, building fire departments and senior 16 citizen centers to name a few. 1986 – 1990, employed as a Community Development 17 Specialist at Lincoln Trail Area Development District, located in Elizabethtown, 18 19 Kentucky.
- 20 Q4. Do you hold any professional certifications?
- A4. I Currently hold a Class III-A water treatment license. I am also a Certified Economic
 Development Finance Professional.

- 1 Q5. Please describe your responsibilities as the City of Augusta's Utility Operations
- 2 Manager?
- 3 A5. Duties include overseeing operations at the water treatment plant, natural gas
- 4 system, maintenance department and streets. Duties also include providing IT
- 5 support for the city, preparing and administering grant applications. My office is
- located at the water treatment plant. I manage the operations and budgeting at the
- 7 water plant that includes submitting federal and state reports, make repairs and
- 8 update equipment as needed.
- 9 Q6. Please state the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?
- 10 A6. The purpose of my testimony is to present Augusta Water Treatment Plant's revenues,
- expenditures and volume of water sold to its wholesale customers after July 1, 2023.
- 12 Q7. Do you prepare a monthly financial report that details the Water Treatment
- 13 **Plant's revenues and expenditures?**
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 **Q8.** To whom do you deliver the monthly reports?
- 16 A. The monthly reports are submitted to water treatment advisory board members,
- Mayor of Augusta, Augusta Attorney, Augusta City Clerk, Bracken County Water
- 18 District and Bracken County Water District Legal Counsel.
- 19 Q9. Can you provide a summary showing the revenues and expenditures reported for
- each month from July 1, 2023 until December 31, 2024.
- 21 A. Yes, the table attached as Exhibit DP-1 summarizes the revenues and expenditures
- 22 as requested.

- Q10. Can you identify any capital expenditures or large extraordinary one-time
 expenses included in the monthly financial reports summarized on the table
 above? If yes, please list the vendor name, vendor date, amount and description
 of each item?
- 6 A. Moody's of Dayton, 8/24/2023, \$23,380.00, repairs to well #2.
- 7 B. Moody's of Dayton, 9/27/23, \$43,460, construct new well #2.
- 8 C. Bess Contracting, 11/29/23, \$9,455.00, run new electrical service to well #3.
- Q11. Can you provide a copy of a monthly financial report that demonstrates the
 typical information provided to the recipients of the report?
- 11 A. Yes, a copy of the most recent monthly financial report is attached to my testimony
 12 as Exhibit DP-2.
- Q12. Can you provide a table showing separately the gallons of water sold to Augusta's

 Water Distribution Department and Bracken County Water District for the

 months of July 2023 through December 2024 and show the percentage of gallons

 sold to each entity?
- 17 A. Yes, the requested information is provided in the table below.

Entity	Gallons sold	Percentage sold
	July 2023 – December 2024	
Augusta	72,270,320	24.8%
Bracken County Water	219,230,444	75.2%

- 19 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 20 A. Yes.

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VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY		
COUNTY OF BRACKEN \		

Doug Padgett states that he is the City of Augusta's Utility Operations Manager and has personal knowledge of the matters set forth in the accompanying testimony for which he is identified as a responsible witness and that the answers contained therein are true and accurate to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

Doug Padgett

The foregoing Verification was signed, acknowledged and sworn to before me this <u>19th</u> day of March 2025.

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Commission expiration:

Notary ID: KYNP67910

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail this 19th day of March, 2024, to the parties of record listed below.

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