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WILLIAM D. CHRISTOPHER	)
COMPLAINANT	) )
vs.	) CASE NO. 2010-00358
KENTUCKY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY	)
RESPONDENT	<i>)</i> )

## **ANSWER**

Now comes the Respondent, Kentucky-American Water Company ("KAW"), and for its Answer to the Complaint in this matter, makes the following admissions, denials, statements and defenses.

- 1. In response to the statements in Paragraphs (a) and (b) of the Complaint, KAW admits that William D. Christopher is a KAW customer located at 500 Calloway White Road, Winchester, Kentucky 40391 and that KAW is located at 2300 Richmond Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40502.
- 2. In response to the allegations in Paragraph (c) of the Complaint (spanning pages 1-4) describing the alleged activities and observations of Mr. Christopher and a plumber (including the statement of the plumber attached to the Complaint) on the afternoon of March 18, 2010, KAW is without information sufficient to admit or deny those allegations, and, therefore, denies same.
- 3. In response to the allegations in Paragraph (c) of the Complaint at page 4, KAW admits that the water meter at Mr. Christopher's address reflected a high reading for the period

February 12, 2010 to March 18, 2010. However, further pleading, KAW states that it removed and tested that water meter and it tested properly. Therefore, KAW believes that the water meter reading is accurate and that the indicated amount of water did, in fact, pass through the meter. Therefore, Mr. Christopher is liable to KAW for all amounts resulting from the indicated usage. Accordingly, KAW denies the allegation that the water meter malfunctioned or that the water use readings are inaccurate. Finally, pursuant to Mr. Christopher's request, the water meter has been submitted to the Commission for testing. At this time, the results of that testing are unknown.

4. KAW denies each and every allegation in the Complaint not specifically admitted to be true herein.

WHEREFORE, KAW requests that the Complaint be dismissed, the stay on disconnection be lifted, and that Mr. Christopher submit payment for all amounts owed to KAW.

Respectfully submitted,

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By Counsel for Respondent

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the original and 10 copies of the foregoing Answer have been filed on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010 at the Public Service Commission and that a true and accurate copy of same has been served, via U.S. Mail, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010, upon the following:

William D. Christopher 500 Calloway White Road Winchester, Kentucky 40391

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