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Re: Case No. 2013-00043
Muhlenberg County Water District

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Mr. Jones:

The enclosed document has been filed in the record of the above-referenced case. Any objections to this action should be submitted to the Commission within five days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Derouen".

Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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Enclosure

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Mr. Wester/Ms. Harold:

I am following up on my telephone conversation of yesterday with Mr. Wester. Commission Staff needs the following information to complete its review of Muhlenberg County Water District's application:

1. How does Muhlenberg County WD currently read its meters?
2. What types of meters does Muhlenberg County Water District have (for example, displacement, multijet, compound, turbine)?
3. What is the age of Muhlenberg County WD's meters? Using the depreciation schedule provide in Muhlenberg County WD's last rate case proceeding, it appears that some meters have been in service for over 25 years, but the number of meters in service for that long is not discernible. Can Muhlenberg County provide the number of meters by the following age groups: 0-5 years, 6-10 years, 11-15 years, 16-20 years, over 20 years? (If specific numbers are not readily available, a rough estimate will suffice.)
4. If Muhlenberg County has perform any calculations of the cost savings that the meter replacement will achieve, please provide a copy.

A formal response to these questions is not require. A reply to this e-mail message is sufficient. I will ensure that the WD's responses are made a part of the case record. If you have documents to send, please scan and e-mail. If the documents cannot be scanned, please send by fax to (502) 564-3460.

If you have any questions regarding this message, please do not hesitate to telephone or e-mail me.

Sincerely,

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1. MUHLENBERG COUNTY WATER DISTRICT #1 CURRENTLY HAS 4 METER READERS WHO USE A HANDHELD ITRON F200
2. MUHLENBERG COUNTY WATER DISTRICT #1 USES 2 TYPES OF RESIDENTIAL METERS...DISPLACEMENT AND MULTIJET
3. MUHLENBERG COUNTY WATER DISTRICT #1'S METERS RANGE FROM 3 TO OVER 20 YEARS. ALL RESIDENTIAL METERS HAVE BEEN TESTED OR REBUILT IF NEEDED WITHIN THE TEN YEAR CHANGEOUT PROGRAM
4. ON FUEL CONSUMPTION COMPARISON.....MCWD #1 NOW USES 28 GALLONS PER DAY FOR 2 WEEKS ON 4 TRUCKS . WE ARE DOING AWAY WITH 3 TRUCKS AND 4TH TRUCK WILL ONLY BE USED 3 WORKING DAYS TO DO DRIVE-BY READINGS. BY CUTTING DOWN TO 1 TRUCK WITH 3 DRIVING DAYS PER MONTH, WHICH IS AN APPROXIMATE SAVINGS OF \$852.11 PER MONTH BASED UPON CURRENT FUEL PRICES OF \$3.29 PER GALLON.