## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF ITS WASTEWATER RATES PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:076

CASE NO. 2014-00390

## ORDER

On November 14, 2014, Kentucky-American Water Company ("Kentucky-American") tendered its application for an adjustment of its wastewater rates ("Application") pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076. After Kentucky-American corrected filing deficiencies, its Application was accepted for filing on December 9, 2014. Finding that a procedural schedule should be established to ensure the orderly review of Kentucky-American's Application, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS that:

- No later than March 31, 2015, Commission Staff shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record a written report containing its findings and recommendations regarding Kentucky-American's requested rate adjustment.
- 2. No later than April 14, 2015, or 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report, whichever occurs earlier, each party of record shall file with the Commission:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No action is necessary to suspend the effective date of Kentucky-American's proposed rates for general wastewater service. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, Section 7(1), an applicant who applies for a rate adjustment pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:076 may not place its proposed rates into effect until the Commission approves those rates or six months from the date the application is accepted for filling.

- a. Its written comments on and any objections to the findings and recommendations contained in the Commission Staff Report;
  - b. Any additional evidence for the Commission's consideration; and
- c. Written notice as to whether this matter may be submitted for decision based upon the existing record without hearing.
- 3. If Commission Staff finds that Kentucky-American's financial condition supports a higher rate than Kentucky-American proposes or the assessment of an additional rate or charge not proposed in Kentucky-American's application, Kentucky-American, in its responses to the Commission Staff Report, shall also state its position in writing on whether the Commission should authorize the assessment of the higher rate or recommend an additional rate or charge.
- 4. If Commission Staff recommends changes in the manner in which Kentucky-American accounts for the depreciation of Kentucky-American's assets, Kentucky-American, in its response to the Commission Staff Report, shall also state its position in writing on whether the Commission should require Kentucky-American to implement the proposed change for accounting purposes.
- 5. A party's failure to file written objections to a finding or recommendation contained in the Commission Staff Report by April 14, 2015, or 14 days after the date of the filing of the Commission Staff Report, whichever occurs earlier, shall be deemed as an agreement with that finding or recommendation.
- 6. Unless all parties request that this matter be submitted for decision upon the existing record, an informal conference shall be held in this matter on Tuesday, April

28, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.

- 7. Unless all parties request that this matter be submitted for decision upon the existing record, a formal hearing in this matter shall be held in the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, at a date and time to be subsequently announced.
- 8. Each party shall file with the Commission, no later than May 1, 2015, a list of the persons it intends to call as witnesses at the scheduled hearing and a summary of each witness's expected testimony.
- 9. Kentucky-American shall publish notice of the scheduled hearing in accordance with 807 KAR 5:076, Section 12, no more than 21 days and no less than seven days before the day of the scheduled hearing.
- 10. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9)(a), the record of the formal hearing in this matter shall be by digital video recording.
- 11. Commission Staff shall prepare a written list of all exhibits presented at the hearing and shall file this list, with all hearing exhibits, and a copy of the video transcript of the hearing with the Commission.
  - 12. Any motion to intervene shall be filed no later than January 21, 2015.
- 13. A person who submits a motion to intervene after January 21, 2015, and upon a showing of good cause is granted full intervention shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

By the Commission

**ENTERED** 

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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