

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF THE BUTLER COUNTY)
WATER SYSTEM, INC. TO ISSUE SECURITIES IN)
THE APPROXIMATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF)
\$1,275,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING) CASE NO. 2015-00140
CERTAIN OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS OF)
THE ASSOCIATION PURSUANT TO THE)
PROVISIONS OF KRS 278.300 AND 807 KAR 5:001)

ORDER

On April 28, 2015, Butler County Water System, Inc. ("Butler County") applied to the Commission for approval to enter into an assistance agreement with the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation ("KRWFC") to borrow \$1,275,000 subject to an adjustment of up to 10 percent to refund existing bond indebtedness.

Having considered the record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Butler County proposes to execute an assistance agreement with KRWFC to borrow \$1,275,000 subject to an adjustment of up to 10 percent. The proposed loan will have a 21-year term subject to interest rates of up to 4.25 percent.¹

2. Butler County proposes to use the proceeds from the assistance agreement to fully refund the outstanding Promissory Notes Series 1996, dated August 8, 1996; Series 1997A, dated July 7, 1998; and Series 1997B, dated December 18,

¹ Application, Exhibit A.

1997, that are held by the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development in the amounts of \$717,183, \$387,754, and \$143,484,² respectively.

3. Butler County estimates that its proposed refinancing will result in total gross savings and net present value savings of \$86,914 and \$44,238, respectively.³

4. Butler County will expend \$1,336,439 to refund the outstanding bonds and to pay bond issuance costs.⁴

5. Butler County's proposed loan is for a lawful object within its corporate purpose, is reasonably necessary and appropriate for and consistent with the proper performance of its service to the public, will not impair Butler County's ability to perform that service, and is reasonably necessary and appropriate for such purpose.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Butler County is authorized to enter into an agreement with KRWFC to borrow no more than \$1,402,500⁵ for the purpose of refunding the outstanding indebtedness, but only under such terms and conditions that will produce both positive gross savings and net present value savings.

2. If the actual terms and conditions of the agreement with KRWFC differ from those set forth in its application, Butler County shall, within 30 days of executing the loan agreement, file with the Commission amortization schedules and work papers

² Application, Exhibit D.

³ Application, Exhibit C. The utility identifies "gross savings" and "net present value savings" as "net future value benefit" and "net present value benefit," respectively.

⁴ Application, Exhibit B. \$19,125 (Total Underwriter's Discount) + \$24,125 (Cost of Issuance) + \$1,288,209 (Deposit to Current Refunding Fund) + \$4,979 (Rounding) = \$1,336,438. The Sources of the Funds are \$1,275,000 (Par Amount of Bonds) + \$61,438 (Existing Debt Service Funds) = \$1,336,438.

⁵ \$1,275,000 x 110% = \$1,402,500.

showing the actual gross savings and net present value savings that will result from the refinancing.

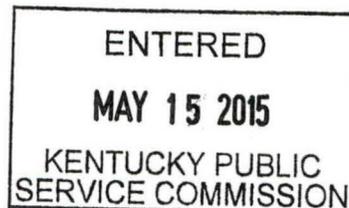
3. Within 30 days of executing the proposed agreement, Butler County shall file a copy of the executed Assistance Agreement and any documents referenced in the executed Assistance Agreement that Butler County has not previously filed with the Commission.

4. The proceeds from the Assistance Agreement shall be used only for the lawful purposes specified in Butler County's application.

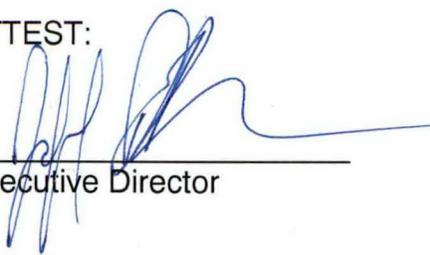
5. Any documents filed pursuant to ordering paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Order shall reference the number of this case and shall be retained in the utility's general correspondence file.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a finding of value for any purpose or as a warranty on the part of the Commonwealth of Kentucky or any agency thereof as to the securities authorized herein.

By the Commission



ATTEST:



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