COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY WATER DISTRICT FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES

ORDER

CASE NO.

2015-00143

On June 30, 2015, Northern Kentucky Water District ("NKWD") tendered its application for an adjustment of its base water rates pursuant to the procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 16. After NKWD corrected filing deficiencies, its Application was accepted for filing on July 20, 2015.

In its Application, NKWD states that "the District is proposing to implement a portion of the rate adjustment on or about January 1, 2016, depending on Commission approval."¹ NKWD provided revised tariffs in its application with a stated date of issuance of June 30, 2015, and a stated effective date of August 15, 2015.²

¹ Application at 2, numbered paragraph 5.

² *Id.*, Exhibit E.

As NKWD has failed to provide revised tariff sheets that state an effective date that is 30 days from the July 20, 2015 filed date, it has not provided adequate notice and it cannot place the rates into effect on August 15, 2015.³

The Commission finds that the earliest possible effective date for NKWD's proposed rates is August 19, 2015. Based upon its review of the Application, the Commission further finds that an investigation will be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that this investigation cannot be completed by August 19, 2015. Therefore, pursuant to KRS 278.190(2), the Commission will suspend the effective date of the proposed rates for five months from August 19, 2015.

Finding that a procedural schedule should be established to ensure the orderly review of NKWD's Application, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. NKWD's proposed rates are suspended for five months, up to and including January 18, 2016.

2. a. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Any request for information from the Commission Staff shall be responded to as if set forth in a Commission Order.

b. Each response shall be under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation, a partnership, an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and

³ KRS 278.180(1).

accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

c. Any party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any request to which a party fails to furnish all or part of the requested information, the party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

e. A party submitting a paper containing personal information shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

3. The party responding to a request for information shall serve an original in paper medium and an electronic version to the Commission.

4. When NKWD is required in this proceeding to provide notice of an event or filing pursuant to statute or administrative regulation, it shall when requesting publication forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

5. If NKWD wishes to place its proposed rates into effect prior to the conclusion of this proceeding, it shall refile its proposed tariff with the Commission in accordance with KRS 278.180 and 807 KAR 5:011.

6. A person who submits a motion to intervene after August 13, 2015, and upon a showing of good cause is granted leave to intervene, shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

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7. At any hearing in this matter, neither opening statements, summarization of direct testimony, or surrebuttal testimony shall be permitted.

8. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

9. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission ENTERED AUG 1 0 2015 KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTES Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2015-00143 DATED AUG 1 0 2015

| All requests for intervention shall be filed by 08/13/2015 |
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| All parties and Commission Staff shall serve their requests for information to NKWD no later than |
| NKWD shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record its responses to the requests for information no later than09/14/2015 |
| All parties and Commission Staff shall serve their supplemental requests for information upon NKWD District no later than |
| NKWD shall file with the Commission its responses to the supplemental requests for information no later than |
| Intervenor testimony, if any, shall be filed with the Commission in verified prepared form no later than10/22/2015 |
| All requests for information to any Intervenor shall be served upon that Intervenor no later than |
| Intervenors shall file with the Commission their responses to the requests for information no later than |
| An informal conference will be held at the Commission's offices in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of considering the possibility of settlement, the simplification of issues, and any other matters that may aid in the handling or disposition of this case, beginning at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, on |
| Public Hearing for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses of NKWD and Intervenors beginning at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, on |
| Parties may file written briefs with the Commission no later than |

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