

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF ESTILL)	
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR)	CASE NO.
A SURCHARGE TO FINANCE WATER)	2019-00119
LOSS CONTROL EFFORTS)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO ESTILL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 1

Estill County Water District No. 1 (Estill District No. 1), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission the original and an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due no later than ten days of the date of this request. Responses to requests for information in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry. Estill District No. 1 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. For any request to which Estill fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, it shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When filing a paper containing personal information, Estill District No. 1 shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that the personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide a copy of any correspondence between Bell Engineering and Estill District No. 1 regarding the Preliminary Opinion of Probable Project Cost (Preliminary Opinion) included in its application.

2. Confirm that Estill District No. 1 intends to undertake the construction and installation of the items included in the Preliminary Opinion.

a. If the statement in Item 2 above can be confirmed, provide a timeline for when Estill District No. 1 will begin the purchase of new meters and when the proposed capital projects would begin.

b. If the statement in Item 2 above can be confirmed, state whether Estill District No. 1 has obtained bids for the project outlined in the Preliminary Opinion.

c. The three-year surcharge, if approved, will produce \$479,400¹ in income, but the Preliminary Opinion provides a project cost estimate of \$1,021,000.² Explain the source of the additional funding requirement.

¹ Application at 5.

3. Explain whether Estill District No. 1 intends to use the proposed surcharge funds for any other projects other than the one specified in the Preliminary Opinion.

4. Confirm whether Estill District No. 1 plans to use the funds collected by the surcharge to secure a loan. If this can be confirmed, state whether the terms of such a loan have been discussed and if so, state what the loan terms would be.

5. If Estill District No. 1 plans to secure a loan, state whether it intends to make a separate filing with the Commission pursuant to KRS 278.300 or KRS 278.023 to obtain approval of financing.



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cc: Parties of Record

² Application at Exhibit 3.

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