#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

### ELECTRONIC PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT OF ) CASE NO. THE WHOLESALE WATER SERVICE RATES OF ) 2019-00444 PRINCETON WATER AND WASTEWATER )

#### ORDER

On February 15, 2020, Princeton Water and Wastewater (Princeton) filed its Motion for Extension (Motion) to ask for an extension of 14 days to respond to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information and Caldwell County Water District (Caldwell District) and Lyon County Water District's (Lyon District) First Request for Information. In its Motion, Princeton also requested the remaining deadlines in Appendix A of the Commission's January 10, 2020 Order, also be extended by 14 days. Princeton's grounds for the request are the voluminous nature of the requests and the delay caused by a health concern for a member of its staff. The Motion stated that Caldwell District and Lyon District do not object to the extension of time to respond to the discovery.

On November 27, 2019, Princeton filed with the Commission a revised tariff sheet setting forth proposed adjustments to its existing rates for wholesale water service to Caldwell District and Lyon District effective on January 1, 2020. On December 13, 2019, Caldwell District and Lyon District each submitted a letter, through counsel, protesting the proposed rate adjustment and requesting that the Commission open a formal proceeding to investigate the reasonableness of the proposed rate.<sup>1</sup> The Commission issued an Order on December 20, 2019, establishing a formal proceeding, suspending the effective date of the proposed rates for five months up to and including May 31, 2020, and making Caldwell District and Lyon District parties to the proceeding.

The Commission finds there is good cause to grant the extension of 14 days to respond to discovery. The Commission finds there is also good cause for Princeton to agree not to implement the proposed rates subject to refund earlier than June 15, 2020, because it is a time commensurate with the extension of 14 days to the deadlines remaining in this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Princeton's Motion filed February 15, 2020, is granted conditioned upon its agreement not to implement its rates subject to refund before June 15, 2020.

2. The discovery responses due date to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information; Caldwell District's and Lyon District's First Request for Information; and the remaining dates in the procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A of the Commission's January 10, 2020 Order in this case shall be extended by 14 days.

3. The amended procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be followed in this proceeding.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KRS 278.200 provides only for a hearing "in the manner prescribed in this [KRS 278] chapter." Pursuant to KRS 278.190(1), "[t]he commission may, upon its own motion, or upon complaint . . . hold a hearing concerning the reasonableness of the new rates." Thus, a hearing is not required. The filing of a revised tariff by a municipal utility "requires an opportunity for a hearing by the Commission before the proposed revision can become effective" Case No. 2011-00419, *Proposed Revision of Rules Regarding the Provision of Wholesale Water Service by the City of Versailles to Northeast Woodford Water District* (Ky. PSC Aug. 12, 2014) Order at 11.

By the Commission



ATTEST:

Executive Director

## APPENDIX

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2019-00444 DATED FEB 2 1 2020

Princeton shall file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record its responses to the first set of request for information no later than	03/06/2020
Intervenor testimony, if any, shall be filed with the Commission and served upon all parties of record in verified prepared form no later than	03/20/2020
Parties and Commission Staff shall serve requests for information upon Intervenors no later than	04/03/2020
Intervenors shall file with the Commission and serve upon all other parties of record and Commission Staff their responses to requests for information no later than	04/17/2020
Public Hearing at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses	

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