## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC CAWOOD WATER DISTRICT'S)UNACCOUNTED-FOR WATER LOSS)REDUCTION PLAN, SURCHARGE AND)MONITORING)

CASE NO. 2021-00150

## <u>O R D E R</u>

On April 8, 2021, this case was initiated by the Commission for the purpose of monitoring Cawood Water District's (Cawood District) unaccounted for water loss reduction plan surcharge,<sup>1</sup> which was approved in Case No. 2020-00311.<sup>2</sup>

In an Order dated April 8, 2021, the Commission required Cawood District to file a qualified infrastructure improvement plan within 120 days of entry of the Order.<sup>3</sup> The April 8, 2021 Order also required Cawood District to file a schedule of the estimated and actual progress of the water loss detection and repair program, and estimated and actual expenditures made with surcharge proceeds starting one year after entry of the Order and annually thereafter.<sup>4</sup> The April 8, 2021 Order requires prior approval by the Commission before any of the surcharge proceeds are used.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Apr. 8, 2021) at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Case No. 2020-00311, *Electronic Alternative Rate Adjustment Filing of Cawood Water District* (Ky. PSC Apr. 8, 2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Apr. 8, 2021) at ordering paragraph 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Apr. 8, 2021) at ordering paragraph 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Apr. 8, 2021) at ordering paragraph 7.

Cawood District filed the qualified infrastructure improvement plan on July 30, 2021, but as of the date of this Order has not filed the required annual schedule of the estimated and actual progress of the water loss detection and repair program, and estimated and actual expenditures made with surcharge proceeds.

KRS 278.390 states that every Order entered by the Commission continues in force until the expiration of time, if any, named by the Commission in the Order, or until revoked or modified by the Commission, or if the Order is suspended or vacated in whole or in part by Court order. Here, the April 8, 2021 Order did not provide for an expiration date for the filing requirements, the Order was not revoked or modified by the Commission, and was not suspended or vacated by Court order.

Based upon the case record, it appears that Cawood District potentially violated the Commission's April 8, 2021 Order by failing to file the annual schedule of estimated and actual progress of the water loss detection and repair program, and estimated and actual expenditures made with the surcharge proceeds. Additionally, because Cawood District did not timely file the required reports, the Commission is unable to determine whether Cawood District is in compliance with the requirement that it cannot use any surcharge proceeds for reimbursement for unaccounted-for water loss reduction expenses without prior Commission authorization.

For that reason, the Commission finds that Cawood District shall file the annual schedule within 30 days of the date of service of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Cawood District shall file, within 30 days of service of this Order, a schedule of the estimated and actual progress of the water loss detection and repair program and

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estimated and actual expenditures made with surcharge proceeds for the purpose of evaluating whether adjustments to the program or to the surcharge amount are required.

2. All other provisions of the Commission's April 8, 2021 Order that are not in conflict with the terms of this Order shall remain in effect.

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Chairman

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