COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

JOINT ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF WEST CARROLL WATER DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF CARROLLTON ON BEHALF OF CARROLLTON UTILITIES FOR (1) AN APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED ASSET ACQUISITION AND TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF WEST CARROLL WATER DISTRICT TO THE CITY OF CARROLLTON ON BEHALF OF CARROLLTON UTILITIES PURSUANT TO KRS 278.218, KRS 278.020(6) AND KRS 278.020(7), AND, (2) ALL OTHER REQUIRED APPROVALS AND RELIEF

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On April 8, 2021, West Carroll Water District, the city of Carrollton, and Carrollton Utilities (collectively, Joint Applicants) filed a motion, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878, requesting that the Commission grant confidential treatment indefinitely for documents included in Exhibits 6 and 7 of the application for approval of the proposed asset acquisition and transfer of control that show service territory maps, maps identifying infrastructure, and a list of current customers' personal information, which could compromise the public safety by exposing critical infrastructure, allowing access to the potable water supply, and comprising an unwarranted invasion of privacy.

In support of its motion, the Joint Applicants argue that the service territory maps and maps locating critical infrastructure should be granted confidential treatment in the interest of public safety citing KRS 61.878(1)(m)(1). The Joint Applicants claim the list of current customer names, account numbers, and property addresses that are considered to be personal in nature and highly sensitive information pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(a).

Having considered the motion and the material at issue, the Commission finds that material contained in Exhibits 6 and 7 of the application for approval of the proposed asset acquisition and transfer of control that shows service territory maps, maps identifying infrastructure, and a list of current customers and their personal information is generally recognized as confidential or proprietary; it therefore meets the criteria for confidential treatment and is exempted from public disclosure pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878(1)(m)(1) and KRS 61.878(1)(a).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The Joint Applicants' motion for confidential treatment is granted.

2. The designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order shall not be placed in the public record or made available for public inspection for an indefinite period or until further Order of this Commission.

3. Use of the designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order in any Commission proceeding shall comply with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(9).

4. The Joint Applicants shall inform the Commission if the designated material granted confidential treatment by this Order becomes publicly available or no longer qualifies for confidential treatment.

5. If a nonparty to this proceeding requests to inspect the material granted confidential treatment by this Order and the period during which the material has been granted confidential treatment has not expired, the Joint Applicants shall have 30 days from receipt of written notice of the request to demonstrate that the material still falls within

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the exclusions from disclosure requirements established in KRS 61.878. If the Joint Applicants are unable to make such demonstration, the requested material shall be made available for inspection. Otherwise, the Commission shall deny the request for inspection.

6. The Commission shall not make the requested material available for inspection for 30 days from the date of service of an Order finding that the material no longer qualifies for confidential treatment in order to allow the Joint Applicants to seek a remedy afforded by law.

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By the Commission



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