COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION INTO) MILBURN WATER DISTRICT TO DETERMINE) THE FEASIBILITY OF MERGER WITH A) PROXIMATE UTILITY PURSUANT TO KRS) 74.361 OR ABANDONMENT PURSUANT TO KRS) 278.020(6), KRS 278.021)

CASE NO. 2021-00341

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIFTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO MILBURN WATER DISTRICT

Milburn Water District (Milburn District), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on April 26, 2024. The Commission directs Milburn District to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the question to which the response is made and 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

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

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

Milburn District shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Milburn District obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete in any material respect.

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

Careful attention shall be given to copied and scanned 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 applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Milburn District shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Refer to Milburn District's response to Commission Staff's Fourth Request for Information (Staff's Fourth Request),² Item 1.

² Milburn District's Response to Commission Staff's Fourth Request for Information (filed Mar. 28, 2024).

a. State how many continuing education credits are required annually to maintain a drinking water treatment plant operator license, and how many Eric Young currently still needs to renew his Kentucky drinking water treatment plant operator license.

b. State whether Eric Young has registered for any continuing education courses that will occur prior to the expiration of his Kentucky drinking water treatment plant operator license in June 2024, and provide any documentation confirming the date of training.

c. Provide a list of other utilities that Eric Young manages, how long he has managed those utilities, and state the percentage of working time that has previously been required for each utility per month, including Milburn District, to total 100 percent, for all periods of time Mr. Young has managed Milburn District.

d. Describe the agreement between Kara Futrell and Milburn District (contract, per diem, other) for performing backup services in the event of Eric Young's absence, including but not limited to all responsibilities and payments.

2. Refer to Staff's Fourth Request, Item 2.

a. Explain whether there is any relation of Kara Futrell to Eric Young.

b. Explain whether there is any relation of Rena Young to Eric Young.

c. Explain whether there is any relation of Justin Young to Eric Young.

3. Provide a brief summary of Kara Futrell's, Rena Young's, and Justin Young's educational background, work experience, certifications and qualifications in relation to the functions each individual performs for Milburn District. Explain whether Milburn District has any written policies or description of job duties in relation to the

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functions these individuals perform. If so, please provide copies of these written documents.

4. Refer to Staff's Fourth Request, Item 6b. Provide a copy of the invoices for the purchase and installation of the mechanical valve to automatically control flow rate and system pressure.

5. Refer to Staff's Fourth Request, Item 10, and attachments at unnumbered pages 15 through 19. Also refer to Milburn District's 2022 Annual Report, Commissioners page 15, that was filed with the Commission.³ The Annual Report states that the Commissioners' terms expire December 31, 2025, 2026, and 2027. Further refer to Commissioners page of Milburn District's utility profile on the Commission website.⁴

a. The Commissioners page of Milburn District's profile states that two commissioners with beginning term dates of February 1, 2024, both expire on February 1, 2026. Explain why each of the Commissioners' terms do not end on the dates of the term ending dates of the respective Commissioners who each replaced.

b. The Commissioners page of Milburn District's profile states Commissioners Bevins and Scarrett are paid a salary of \$600.00, while Commissioner Williams is paid a salary of \$0.00. Confirm each Commissioners' compensation.

c. Provide a copy of minutes from the Carlisle County Fiscal Court authorizing the salaries for Commissioners Bevins and Scarrett.

6. Provide the status of the 2023 Annual Report filing for Milburn District, including the following:

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³ Milburn District 2022 Annual Report, <u>25400_Milburn_Water_District.pdf (ky.gov)</u>.

⁴ Milburn District, PSC Profile, Commissioners page, <u>UMS-25400-Milburn Water District (ky.gov)</u>.

a. Date filed or anticipated date to be filed if it has not yet been filed and accepted by the Commission.

b. Provide an analysis of Milburn District's water loss. Discuss Milburn District's efforts to reduce water loss in 2023 and any impact such efforts had on its water loss percentage compared to 2022.

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