#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

# ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF BLUEGRASS)CASE NO.WATER UTILITY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC)2022-00432FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF SEWAGE RATES)

#### <u>ORDER</u>

Bluegrass Water Utility Operating Company, LLC (Bluegrass Water) filed two motions, on May 10, 2023, and May 12, 2023, requesting an extension of time to submit its responses to requests for information from Intervenors Scott County, Kentucky (Scott County) and the Office of the Attorney General (Attorney General), respectively. Pursuant to the procedural schedule issued by the Commission by Order on April 14, 2023, Bluegrass Water's responses to these requests were due on May 12, 2023.<sup>1</sup>

Bluegrass Water was issued numerous requests from Commission Staff and the Attorney General on April 28, 2023. Scott County also filed its Initial Request for Information (Scott County's Initial Request) on April 28, 2023, shortly before being granted intervention by Order on May 5, 2023.<sup>2</sup> Bluegrass Water timely filed its responses to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information, as well as partial responses to the Attorney General's Initial Data Request (Attorney General's Initial Request), on May 12, 2023. In the motions for extension, Bluegrass Water pointed to the number of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Apr. 14, 2023), Appendix.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order (Ky. PSC May 5, 2023).

requests received from all parties,<sup>3</sup> and stated that it needs further time to gather data sufficient to respond to certain requests.<sup>4</sup> Bluegrass Water stated its motions are made in good faith and not for purposes of delay.<sup>5</sup>

Bluegrass Water stated that it had been in contact with counsel for the Attorney General, and there was no objection to Bluegrass Water's May 12, 2023 motion.<sup>6</sup> Scott County filed a response to Bluegrass Water's May 10, 2023 motion, and requested the Commission deny Bluegrass Water's motion, or in the alternative, grant Scott County an additional seven days to file its supplemental requests to Bluegrass Water.<sup>7</sup> Bluegrass Water filed a reply on May 17, 2023 that argued Scott County will not be prejudiced by the brief extension sought by Bluegrass Water.<sup>8</sup>

The Commission, having considered Bluegrass Water's motions filed on May 10, 2023, and May 12, 2023, finds that, given the amount of requests issued to Bluegrass Water by all parties, and Bluegrass Water's efforts to respond to those requests to date, good cause exists to grant an extension until May 19, 2022, to file its responses to Scott County's Initial Request and responses to the Attorney General's Initial Request. The Commission accordingly finds it is necessary to amend the procedural schedule contained in the Appendix to the April 14, 2023 Order, to allow commensurate time for all parties to process further requests for information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Motion (filed May 10, 2023) at 1; Motion (filed May 12, 2023) at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Motion (filed May 12, 2023) at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Motion (filed May 10, 2023) at 2; Motion (filed May 12, 2023) at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Motion (filed May 12, 2023) at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Scott Count's Response (filed May 12, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Bluegrass Water's Reply (filed May 17, 2023).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Bluegrass Water's May 10, 2023 motion and May 12, 2023 motion for an extension of time are granted.

The procedural schedule contained in the Commission's Order of April 14,
2023, is amended as attached in the Appendix to this Order.

3. All provisions of the Commission's Order of April 14, 2023, in conflict with the provisions of this Order are vacated. All other provisions of the Order of April 14, 2023, shall remain in effect.

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ATTEST:

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Case No. 2022-00432

### APPENDIX

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2022-00432 DATED MAY 19 2023

| Bluegrass Water shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than05/19/2023   |
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| All supplemental requests for information to Bluegrass Water<br>shall be filed no later than06/02/2023   |
| Bluegrass Water shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than06/16/2023  |
| Intervenor testimony, if any, in verified prepared<br>form shall be filed no later than06/30/2023  |
| All requests for information to Intervenors shall be filed no later than07/14/2023   |
| Intervenors shall file responses to requests for information no later than07/28/2023   |
| Bluegrass Water shall file, in verified form, its rebuttal testimony no later than08/11/2023   |
| Last day for Bluegrass Water to publish notice of hearing  |
| Public Hearing to be held in the Richard Raff Hearing Room<br>at the offices of the Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard,<br>Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination<br>of witnesses of Bluegrass Water and Intervenors09/19/2023–09/22/2023 |
| Post-Hearing Briefs, if any  |

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