COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC SOUTH HOPKINS WATER DISTRICT UNACCOUNTED-FOR WATER LOSS REDUCTION PLAN, SURCHARGE AND MONITORING	))))	CASE NO. 2023-00018

COMMISSION STAFF'S SEVENTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO SOUTH HOPKINS WATER DISTRICT

South Hopkins Water District (South Hopkins 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 October 26, 2026. The Commission directs South Hopkins District to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085[1] 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.

South Hopkins District shall make timely amendment to any prior response if South Hopkins 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 South Hopkins District fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, South Hopkins 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, South Hopkins 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. Provide copies of the last 24 months of bills issued by the city of Dawson Springs (Dawson Springs) to South Hopkins District.

2. State the last time that South Hopkins District had a zero balance due to Dawson Springs.

3. Provide a copy of any correspondence between South Hopkins District and Dawson Springs regarding any potential curtailment of wholesale water sales to South

Hopkins District and explain whether Dawson Springs has provided any specific date, or required amount of payment, in order to prevent such a curtailment of wholesale water sales to South Hopkins District

4. Refer to South Hopkins District's October 16, 2026 motion requesting to use water loss surcharge funds (Emergency Motion)[2] in which South Hopkins District stated: "[t]hrough these efforts several large leaks were located and fixed this summer. Water loss is now below 30 percent."[3] South Hopkins District attached water loss reports for January 2026 through September 2026 as Attachment 6 to its Emergency Motion[4]; those reports average 38.89 percent water loss, and only three of those nine months were below 40 percent. State whether South Hopkins is alleging that it anticipates monthly unaccounted water loss to remain below 30 percent, and if so, explain each basis for that contention.

5. State what actions South Hopkins District has taken since the debt began accruing to stop the debt from increasing and to pay down any amounts owed.

6. State the reason that South Hopkins District waited until October 16, 2026, to file the Emergency Motion requesting to use the water loss surcharge funds for this debt.

[2] South Hopkins District's Emergency Motion to Use Surcharge Funds to Pay the City of Dawson Springs, Kentucky for Wholesale Water Service (filed Oct.16, 2026).

[3] Emergency Motion at 5.

[4] Emergency Motion.

7. Refer to South Hopkins District's Emergency Motion, Attachment 4, pages 2–3.[5] State how long Dawson Springs anticipates being able to provide services, at lower pressure, if the request to use surcharge funds is denied.

8. Provide any written statements from Dawson Springs to South Hopkins District that discusses the debt, and any written statements that discusses the effect the debt is having on Dawson Springs.

9. State what South Hopkins District is going to do, going forward, to prevent the debt to Dawson Springs from accruing any further and to pay down the debt.

10. Refer to South Hopkins District's monthly water loss surcharge report filings for the months of June 2026 through September 2026 that appear to have been untimely filed.[6]

a. Confirm that South Hopkins District's monthly water loss surcharge reports for the months of June 2026 through September 2026 filings were untimely. If unable to confirm, explain when the filings were made and why they should be considered timely.

b. If confirmed, state the reason for the failure to timely file the reports,

c. File each report for the months of June 2026 through September 2026 into this case record as individual filings.

11. State whether South Hopkins District has provided its customers with any information regarding the issues and risks resulting from its failure to fully pay Dawson Springs, and if so, provide a copy of the information that was provided to customers.

[5] Emergency Motion.

[6] Emergency Motion, Attachment 6.

12. State whether South Hopkins District is seeking a deviation from any requirements ordered in this case or in Case No. 2022-00122[7] regarding the use of surcharge funds, as part of its October 16, 2026 Emergency Motion requesting to use surcharge funds, and if so, on what grounds.

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cc: Parties of Record

[7] Case No. 2022-00122, *Electronic Application of South Hopkins Water District for an Alternative Rate Adjustment* (KY PSC February 14, 2023).

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