

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF OHIO COUNTY)	CASE NO.
WATER DISTRICT FOR A RATE ADJUSTMENT)	2024-00127
PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:076)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S THIRD REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO OHIO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Ohio County Water District (Ohio 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 September 4, 2024. The Commission directs Ohio 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.

Ohio District shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Ohio 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 Ohio District fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Ohio 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, Ohio 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 Ohio District's response to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information (Staff's Second Request), Item 7. Ohio District's response was insufficient. Ohio District did not provide copies for each invoice listed in the chart, failed to describe each purchase, and failed to state whether each individual item should have been capitalized or, if applicable, explain why its classification as an expense was proper. Provide the requested information from Item 7 for the chart below.

Transaction Number	Company	Description	Debit
25840	LABTRONX, INC	CL17sc Colormetric Chlorine Analyzer	3,245.00
157158	OVERHEAD DOOR CO. OF BOWLING GREEN	Removal and Install New 10/2 x 24" Door	3,365.00
07192303	HTI, INC	WTP SCADA Upgrades	15,410.00
1581	Superior Asphalt Maintenance	Ashphalt Coating @ Plant	3,675.00

2. Refer to Item 1 of Ohio District’s request to modify expenses filed July 16, 2024, that seeks to “[C]reate a new stand-alone Maintenance Department to bring these responsibilities in-house.” Confirm that bringing “Maintenance Department” responsibilities in-house will reduce Ohio District’s expenses for Contracted Services. If confirmed, provide the amount Ohio District expects to reduce its expenses. If not confirmed, provide an explanation for why Ohio District would not see a cost benefit for bringing “Maintenance Department” expenses in-house.

3. Refer to Ohio District’s response to Commission Staff’s First Request for Information (Staff’s First Request), Item 19, Nonrecurring Charge cost justification sheets. Ohio District provided cost justification sheets for Meter Re-Read, Reconnection, and Connection Charges for After Hours; however, Connection Charges for After Hours are not contained in Ohio District’s current tariff. Confirm that these are new charges that Ohio District wishes to add to its tariff. If not confirmed, explain if Ohio District has been charging those after-hours charges.

4. Refer to Ohio District’s response to Staff’s First Request, Item 18, and Ohio District’s response to Staff’s Second Request, Item 1.c. In its responses to Staff’s First Request, Ohio District indicated that there were 406 instances of its “Lockup Fee” for a total collected amount of \$18,217.43. In its responses to Staff’s Second Request, Ohio District indicated there were 406 instances of its “Re-connection Charge” for a total collected amount of \$18.217.43. Ohio District additionally stated in its responses to

Staff's Second Request that the "Lockup Fee" was an internal term used by Ohio District and this charge was actually its "Service Call" as listed in its current tariff. Ohio District's current tariff lists the Reconnection Charge as being \$45.43 while the Service Call is \$25.21.

a. Explain how Ohio District can collect the same amount of revenue while performing each of these charges 406 times if they are charged in different amounts.

b. Explain how, if Ohio District is charging \$25.21 for its Service Calls and performed this charge 406 instances during the test period, it could collect \$18,217.43 from this charge when it should only have collected \$10,235.26.

c. Explain how, if Ohio District is charging \$45.43 for its Reconnection Charge and performed this charge 406 instances during the test period, it could collect \$18,217.43 from this charge when it should have collected \$18,444.58.

5. Refer to Ohio District's response to Staff's First Request, Item 1A, 2023 General ledger, account number 474.500, Miscellaneous Revenues.

a. Refer to Account number 474.51, Web Fee. Explain what this fee is for and state whether it is a recurring revenue.

b. Refer to Account number 474.52, CC Fee. Explain what this fee is for and state whether it is a recurring revenue.

c. Refer to Account number 474.53, Service Charge. Explain what these charges are for and state whether it is a recurring revenue.

d. Explain why Web Fees are included in Account 474.53 as well as account 474.51.



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