Case No. 2024-00244



CITY OF FALMOUTH

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Council Members

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July 8, 2024

Via Certified and Regular Mail: Kent Chandler, Chairman Angie Hatton, Vice Chairman Mary Regan, Commissioner Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615

211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Official Notification of Wholesale Water Rate Adjustment

Dear Chairman Chandler, Vice Chairman Hatton, and Commissioner Regan:

As authorized by the City Council at our recent meeting on June 6th, 2024, enclosed is our formal notification of the wholesale water rate schedule change by the City of Falmouth to the East Pendleton Water District and Pendleton Water District. Along with this, we have attached proof of notification to both districts, respectively. The City of Falmouth proposes the new rate to take effect on August 1, 2024. This letter, with an enclosed official notice, is to provide at least a 30-day advance notice to the PSC and the affected water districts before the rate change takes effect, as mandated by KRS 278.180 and 808 KAR 5:001.

The adjustment in rates has been calculated based on the audited cost data for Fiscal Year 2022-23, adhering to the formulas and standards established during the P.S.C.'s last rate review (CASE NO. 2006-00403) concluded on May 11, 2007. This rate adjustment correlates with our previous adjustment finalized by ORDINANCE NO. 2007-71.19 on June 26, 2007. For your detailed review, we have included the study titled "Proposed Adjustment Wholesale Water Service Rates of the City of Falmouth, Kentucky" dated March 2024.

We value our relationship with Public Service Commission and look forward to its continuation.

Sincerely,

Luke Price Mayor of Falmouth

| × | FOR <u>East Pendleton WD & Pendleton Co. WD</u> Area Served |
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| | P.S.C. KY. NO1 |
| | Second Revised SHEET NO1 |
| City of Falmouth | CANCELLING P.S.C. KY. NO |
| (Name of Municipal Utility) | SHEET NO |
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MONTHLY WHOLESALE WATER RATE:

East Pendleton Water District

Pendleton County Water District

- \$2.92 Per 1,000 Gallons (I)
- \$2.96 Per 1,000 Gallons (I)

| DATE OF ISSUE | July 17, 2024 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Month / Date / Year |
| DATE EFFECTIVE | August 16, 2024 |
| | Month / Date / Year |
| ISSUED BY | |
| | (Signature) |
| TITLE Mayor | |
| BY AUTHORITY OF ORDER OF TH | E PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION |
| IN CASE NOn/a | _DATEDn/a |

NOTICE

The City of Falmouth (Falmouth) is providing notice that it plans to file with the Public Service Commission on before July 17, 2024 to increase the wholesale rate it charges East Pendleton Water District (East Pendleton Water) and Pendleton County Water District (Pendleton County Water) effective for water service rendered on and after August 16, 2024. The proposed rates are as follows:

| | Current Rate | Proposed Rate | <u> \$ Change</u> | <u>% Change</u> |
|---|--------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| East Pendleton Water (per 1,000 gallons) | \$1.98 | \$2.92 | \$0.94 | 47.5% Increase |
| Pendleton County Water (per 1,000 gallons | s) \$1.98 | \$2.96 | \$0.98 | 49.5% Increase |

Water flowing through the meter(s) before the effective date will be charged at the current rate while water flowing through the meter on and after the effective date will be charged at the proposed rate.

In accordance with Public Service Commission procedures, the effective date of the proposed rate cannot be prior to the expiration of a 30-day notice given to the Commission and East Pendleton Water and Pendleton County Water.

This filing may be examined at the City of Falmouth's main office located at 230 Main Street in Falmouth, Kentucky; phone number 859-654-6937; contact Ramona Williams, City Clerk.

This filing may also be examined at the offices of the Public Service Commission located at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday – Friday from 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or on the PSC website at <u>http://psc.ky.gov</u>.

Comments regarding this filing may be submitted by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort KY 40602; or through its website at http://psc.ky.gov.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Falmouth but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice.

Intervention may be requested by submitting a timely written request for intervention by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602. The request for intervention must establish the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party.

If the Public Service Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the providing of this notice, the Public Service Commission may take final action on the filed application.

Proposed Adjustment Wholesale Water Service Rates of the

City of Falmouth, Kentucky

March 2024



From 2006 Rate Study

Pendleton Distribution Factor

| Line Size | Footage | | in/mile | Pendleton | ir | /mile |
|-----------|---------|--------|-------------|-----------|-------|-------------|
| | 1 | 1697 | 0.321401515 | | 0 | 0 |
| | 2 | 7692 | 2.913636364 | | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | 30476 | 23.08787879 | | 4905 | 3.715909091 |
| | 6 | 29522 | 33.54772727 | | 6653 | 7.560227273 |
| | 8 | 28318 | 42.90606061 | | 4492 | 6.806060606 |
| | 12 | 6488 | 14.74545455 | | 5502 | 12.50454545 |
| | 16 | 1336 | 4.048484848 | | 0 | 0 |
| | 1. 2500 | 105529 | 118.3356061 | | 21552 | 30.58674242 |

Distribution Factor

0.25847

East Pendleton Distribution Factor

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| Line Size | Footage | | in/mile | E. Pendleton | in/mile |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | 1 | 1697 | 0.321401515 | C |) 0 |
| | 2 | 7692 | 2.913636364 | C |) 0 |
| | 4 | 30476 | 23.08787879 | C |) 0 |
| | 6 | 29522 | 33.54772727 | C | 0 |
| | 8 | 28318 | 42.90606061 | 10596 | 16.05454545 |
| | 12 | 6488 | 14.74545455 | 2679 | 6.088636364 |
| le las e o sussimilarios sus | 16 | 1336 | 4.048484848 | 1136 | 3.442424242 |
| | | 105529 | 118.3356061 | 14411 | 25.58560606 |

Distribution Factor

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0.21621

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| | Wholesale A | llocation Factors | |
| Line Loss Percentage | | Amount Allowable by PSC | 0.15 |
| Plant Use Percentage | | Taken from Audit Report | 0.0192 |
| Allowable Line Loss & Plant Use | - = | Line % + Plant Use % | 0.1692 |
| Production Multiplier | = | 1/(1-Line Loss & Plant Use %) | 1.2037 |
| nch Mile Ratio | 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 1 | in the design of | |
| Pendleton County | = | Total Jointly Used Inch Miles/Total Inch Miles | 0.2585 |
| East Pendleton County | | | 0.2162 |
| Wholesale Share of Line Loss | | | |
| Pendleton County | | Inch Mile Ratio x Line Loss % | 0.0388 |
| East Pendleton County | and the states | | 0.0324 |
| loint Share Line Loss/Plant Use | and a solution of the solution | | |
| Pendleton County | = | Wholesale Share of Line Loss * Plant Use% | 0.0007 |
| East Pendleton County | | | 0.0006 |
| Wholesale Production Multiplier | | | |
| Pendleton County | | 1/(1-Joint Share Line Loss/Plant Use%) | 1.0007 |
| East Pendleton County | | | 1.0006 |
| Production Allocation Factor | The Property of the Property o | | and the second second |
| Pendleton County | = | (Sales to Wholesale Customers/Total Water Sold)*(Wholesale Production Multiplier/Production Multiplier) | 0.2245 |
| East Pendleton County | | | 0.4024 |
| Pipeline Transmission Factor | 1 - | | |
| Pendleton County | = | (Sales to Wholesale Customers/Total Water Sold)*Inch Mile Ratio | 0.0698 |
| East Pendleton County | | | 0.1047 |
| Use Factor | | | |
| Pendleton County | = | Sales to Wholesale Customers/Total Water Sold | 0.2700 |
| East Pendleton County | | | 0.4841 |

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|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|------------------------------|
| | Allocation o | of Expenses | · HAR | |
| Expense | Total | Pumping & Treatment | Transmission & Distribution | Customer |
| Salaries and Wages | 228,994.02 | 129,673.29 | 99,320.73 | |
| Employee Benefits | 66,420.53 | 38,655.44 | 27,765.09 | and second the state |
| Payroll Taxes | 20,358.47 | 11,575.82 | 8,782.65 | |
| Employee Insurance & Workers Comp | 60,277.35 | 32,592.37 | 27,684.98 | |
| Property Insurance - Treatment Plant | 30,677.35 | 30,677.35 | | |
| Electricity* | 76,476.78 | 76,476.78 | | |
| Chemicals* | 197,428.16 | 197,428.16 | | |
| ab Analysis* | 4,920.50 | 4,920.50 | - | |
| Maintenance - Plant | 23,708.97 | 23,708.97 | | |
| Postage | 914.24 | 914.24 | | |
| Subtotal Less Commodity* | 431,350.93 | 267,797.48 | 163,553.45 | |
| Percentage | | 62.08% | 37.92% | |
| | | et station of | | |
| Administrative and General | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 113,419.10 | 62,209.14 | |
| Dues & Subscriptions | | (included) | (included) | |
| nsurance - General Liability | | (included) | (included) | |
| Office Supplies | | (included) | (included) | |
| Advertising & Printing | | (included) | (included) | |
| Sas Heating | | (included) | (included) | |
| Felephone | | (included) | (included) | |
| Legal & Accounting | | (included) | (included) | |
| Equipment Expense | | (included) | (included) | |
| Bank Fees | | (included) | (included) | |
| City Hall | | (included) | (included) | |
| Training & Travel | | (included) | (included) | |
| Jniforms | and a state of the | (included) | (included) | |
| Motor Fuel | - | (included) | (included) | |
| Bad Debts | | (included) | (included) | |
| Maintenance Garage | | (included) | (included) | |
| Maintenance | the second second | (included) | (included) | |
| Miscellaneous | | (included) | (included) | • |
| Subtotal | 885,804.61 | 660,042.02 | 225,762.59 | |
| Depreciation | | 76,117.83 | 6,000.51 | and the second second second |
| Total Expenses | | - | k | |

Electric Usage - Water Treatment Plant

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| Date | Usage | Cost/KW | Electric Cost | Meter Fee | Total Expense |
|------------|--------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| 7/21/2022 | 51840 | 0.113 | \$5,857.92 | \$20.20 | \$5,878.12 |
| 8/24/2022 | 52560 | 0.113 | \$5,939.28 | \$20.20 | \$5,959.48 |
| 9/23/2022 | 44160 | 0.113 | \$4,990.08 | \$20.20 | \$5,010.28 |
| 10/24/2022 | 55920 | 0.113 | \$6,318.96 | \$20.20 | \$6,339.16 |
| 11/21/2022 | 56400 | 0.113 | \$6,373.20 | \$20.20 | \$6,393.40 |
| 12/20/2022 | 63360 | 0.113 | \$7,159.68 | \$20.20 | \$7,179.88 |
| 1/25/2023 | 88560 | 0.113 | \$10,007.28 | \$20.20 | \$10,027.48 |
| 2/22/2023 | 59760 | 0.113 | \$6,752.88 | \$20.20 | \$6,773.08 |
| 3/23/2023 | 53280 | 0.113 | \$6,020.64 | \$20.20 | \$6,040.84 |
| 4/20/2023 | 49680 | 0.113 | \$5,613.84 | \$20.20 | \$5,634.04 |
| 5/24/2023 | 50880 | 0.113 | \$5,749.44 | \$20.20 | \$5,769.64 |
| 6/22/2023 | 48240 | 0.113 | \$5,451.12 | \$20.20 | \$5,471.32 |
| Total = | 674640 | | | Total = | \$76,476.78 |

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City of Falmouth

| Staffing/Salary | | | | |
|--------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|--|
| DEPARTMENT | TITLE | % of Salary to Dept | Department | |
| Water Production | Supervisor | 50 | 310 | |
| Water Production | Admin | 50 | 310 | |
| Water Production | Operator | 100 | 310 | |
| Water Production | Operator | 100 | 310 | |
| Water Distribution | Supervisor | 30 | 311 | |
| Water Distribution | Operator | 100 | 311 | |
| Water Distribution | Operator | 100 | 311 | |

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Numbers from FY 22-23 Audit

Expenses - Production

| second construction of the property and | |
|---|--------------------------------|
| 20-310-850 | WATER PRODUCTION DEPRECIATION |
| 20-310-910 | WATER PRODUCTION SALARIES |
| 20-310-911 | WATER PROD OVERTIME SALARIES |
| 20-310-913 | WATER PROD PAYROLL BANK CHGS |
| 20-310-915 | WATER PROD EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT |
| 20-310-920 | WATER PROD HEALTH/MEDICAL INS |
| 20-310-925 | WATER PRODUCTION FICA TAXES |
| 20-310-930 | WATER PRODUCTION WORKERS COMP |
| 20-310-935 | WATER PRODUCTION UNEMPLOYMENT |
| 20-310-937 | WATER PRODUCTION CHEMICALS |
| 20-310-938 | WATER PROD CONSULTING/ANALYSIS |
| 20-310-940 | WATER PRODUCTION ADVERTISING |
| 20-310-942 | WATER TRUCK LEASE PAYMENT |
| 20-310-945 | WAT PROD-PRINTING LEASE SOFTWA |
| 20-310-950 | WATER PRODUCTION LEGAL FEES |
| 20-310-955 | WATER PROD AUDIT & ACCOUNTING |
| 20-310-960 | WATER PRODUCTION GENERAL INS |
| 20-310-961 | FLOOD INSURANCE |
| 20-310-962 | BANK CHGS/LOCKBOX |
| 20-310-965 | WATER PRODUCTION REPAIR/MAINT |
| 20-310-970 | WATER TRAV/LODGING/PER DIEM |
| 20-310-971 | WATER SCHOOL/TRAIN/LICENSES |
| 20-310-972 | WATER PRODUCTION POSTAGE |
| 20-310-975 | HEAT |
| 20-310-980 | WATER PRODUCTION TELEPHONE |
| 20-310-982 | WATER PRODUCTION SAFETY |
| 20-310-983 | EQUIPMENT RENTAL |
| 20-310-985 | WATER PRODUCTION SUPPLIES |
| 20-310-986 | WATER PROD UNIFORMS/ACCESS |
| 20-310-987 | WATER PRODUCTION GASOLINE |
| 20-310-990 | WATER PROD DUES/SUBSCRIPTIONS |
| 20-310-995 | WATER PROD MISCELLANEOUS OTHER |
| | |

| 0.00 | 0.00 | |
|------------|------------|--------------------|
| 165,000.00 | 108,175.53 | Salaries |
| 13,500.00 | 21,497.76 | Salaries |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 41,000.00 | 38,655.44 | Benefits |
| 42,500.00 | 26,405.13 | Ins & Work Comp |
| 12,500.00 | 10,809.08 | Payroll Tax |
| 5,800.00 | 6,187.24 | Ins & Work Comp |
| 850.00 | 766.74 | Payroll Tax |
| 210,000.00 | 197,428.16 | Chem |
| 6,000.00 | 4,920.50 | Lab Analysis |
| 500.00 | 70.00 | Admin & General |
| 6,200.00 | 6,153.78 | Admin & General |
| 9,000.00 | 10,216.21 | Admin & General |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | Admin & General |
| 1,350.00 | 1,325.00 | Admin & General |
| 17,000.00 | | Property Insurance |
| 15,500.00 | 13,790.00 | Propery Insurance |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | Admin & General |
| 20,000.00 | 23,708.97 | Maintenance |
| 2,000.00 | 0.00 | Admin & General |
| 2,500.00 | 1,256.00 | Admin & General |
| 1,250.00 | 914.24 | Postage |
| 0.00 | | Admin & General |
| 3,800.00 | 3,662.45 | Admin & General |
| 1,500.00 | 121 | Admin & General |
| 0.00 | | Admin & General |
| 16,000.00 | 100 | Admin & General |
| 1,000.00 | | Admin & General |
| 13,000.00 | | Admin & General |
| 1,600.00 | | Admin & General |
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| 20-310-996 | WATER PROD BANK SERV CHGS/FEES | 0.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| 20-310-997 | WATER PROD CAPITAL OUTLAY | 10,000.00 | 34,102.00 Admin & General |
| 22-310-850 | WATER PRO RESERVE CHECKBK-EXP | 0.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 92-310-850 | WATER PRO RESERVE CHECKBK-EXP | 0.00 | 29,374.00 Admin & General |
| | | | 583,565.24 |
| Expenses - Dist | ribution | | |
| 20-311-850 | WATER DIST DEPRECIATION | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 20-311-910 | WATER DISTRIBUTION SALARIES | 94,000.00 | 96,523.12 Salaries |
| 20-311-911 | WATER DIST OVERTIME SALARIES | 2,600.00 | 2,797.61 Salaries |
| 20-311-913 | WATER DIST PAYROLL BANK CHGS | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 20-311-915 | WATER DIST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT | 26,500.00 | 27,765.09 Benefits |
| 20-311-920 | WATER DIST HEALTH/MEDICAL INS | 24,000.00 | 24,020.48 Ins & Work Comp |
| 20-311-925 | WATER DISTRIBUTION FICA TAXES | 7,200.00 | 8,015.91 Payroll Tax |
| 20-311-930 | WATER DIST WORKERS COMP | 3,300.00 | 3,664.50 Ins & Work Comp |
| 20-311-935 | WATER DIST UNEMPLOYMENT | 750.00 | 766.73 Payroll Tax |
| 20-311-938 | WATER DIST CONSULTING/ANALYSIS | 0.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-940 | WATER DISTRIBUTION ADVERTISING | 100.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-942 | WATER DISTRIBUTION TRUCK LEASE | 0.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-945 | WATER DIS-PRINTING LEASE SOFTW | 8,200.00 | 9,100.68 Admin & General |
| 20-311-950 | WATER DISTRIBUTION LEGAL FEES | 0.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-955 | WATER DIST AUDIT & ACCOUNTING | 1,350.00 | 1,325.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-960 | WATER DISTRIBUTION GENERAL INS | 7,000.00 | 6,950.48 Admin & General |
| 20-311-962 | BANK CHGS/LOCKBOX | 0.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-963 | CSX PIPELINE EASEMENT | 200.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-965 | WATER DIST REPAIR & MAINT | 5,000.00 | 5,577.98 Admin & General |
| 20-311-970 | WAT DIS-TRAV/LODGING/PER DIEM | 1,000.00 | 0.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-971 | WAT DIS-SCHOOL/TRAIN/LICENSES | 1,000.00 | 515.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-972 | WATER DISTRIBUTION POSTAGE | 950.00 | 914.22 Admin & General |
| 20-311-982 | WATER DISTRIBUTION SAFETY | 1,500.00 | 75.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311-983 | WATER DIST EQUIPMENT RENTAL | 0.00 | .0.00 Admin & General . |
| 20-311-985 | WATER DISTRIBUTION SUPPLIES | 7,500.00 | 10,980.49 Admin & General |
| 20-311-986 | WATER DIS UNIFORMS/ACCESSORIES | 1,000.00 | 445.00 Admin & General |
| 20-311 -9 87 | WATER DISTRIBUTION GASOLINE | 3,500.00 | 3,413.54 Admin & General |
| 20-311-990 | WATER DIST DUES/SUBSCRIPTIONS | 500.00 | 428.00 Admin & General |

| 20-311-995 | WATER DIST MISCELLANEOUS OTHER | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | Admin & General |
|------------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|
| 20-311-996 | WATER DIST BANK SERV CHGS/FEES | 0.00 | 0.00 | Admin & General |
| 20-311-997 | WATER DIST CAPITAL OUTLAY | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 | Admin & General |
| 22-311-850 | WATER DIS RESERVE CHECKBK-EXP | 0.00 | 0.00 | Admin & General |
| 92-311-850 | WATER DIS RESERVE CHECKBK-EXP | 0.00 | 12,483.75 | Admin & General |
| | | | 225,762.58 | |

Total Expenses =

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| WHOLESALE RATE | | | | | | | | | |
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| _ | | Pendelton Allocation | Amount to Wholesale (Total x Allocation | Rate to Wholesale (Amount)/(Total | East Pendelton | Amount to Wholesale (Total x Allocation | Rate to Wholesale (Amount)/(Total | | |
| Expense | Total | Factor | Factor) | Purchased/1000gal) | Allocation Factor | Factor) | Purchased/1000gal) | | |
| Commodity | | | | | | | | | |
| Electricity | 76,476.78 | 0.2245 | 17,166.97 | 0.2432 | 0.4024 | 30,776.21 | 0.243176877 | | |
| Lab Analysis | 4,920.50 | 0.2245 | 1,104.52 | 0.0156 | 0.4024 | 1,980.13 | 0.01564595 | | |
| Chemicals | 197,428.16 | 0.2245 | 44,317.28 | 0.6278 | 0.4024 | 79,450.13 | 0.627771787 | | |
| Operation and Maintenance | | | | | | | | | |
| Pumping & Treatment | 381,216.58 | 0.2245 | 85,572.80 | 1.2123 | 0.4024 | 153,411.27 | 1.212172639 | | |
| Tansmission and Distribution | 225,762.59 | 0.0698 | 15,754.83 | 0.2232 | 0.1047 | 23,629.29 | 0.186705856 | | |
| Customer | | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation | | | | | | | | | |
| Pumping & Treatment | 76,117.83 | 0.2245 | 17,086.39 | 0.2421 | 0.4024 | 30,631.76 | 0.242035514 | | |
| Transmission and Distribution | 6,000.51 | 0.0698 | 418.75 | 0.0059 | 0.1047 | 628.04 | 0.00496243 | | |
| Customer | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Expenses | 891,446.17 | | | | | | | | |
| Plus Operating Ratio (88%) | 121,560.84 | 0.2245 | 27,287.12 | 0.3866 | 0.4024 | 48,919.18 | 0.386532838 | | |
| Less Interest Income | | 0.0698 | 0.00 | 0.0000 | 0.1047 | 0.00 | 0 | | |
| Less Other Operating Revenue | | 0.0698 | 0.00 | 0.0000 | 0.1047 | 0.00 | 0 | | |
| Cost of Service Rate | | | | \$2.96 | | | \$2.92 | | |

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CITY OF FALMOUTH

Total Purchased (/1000 gall) Pendleton East Pendleton

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