COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF NORTHERN)KENTUCKY WATER DISTRICT FOR A)CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)NECESSITY AND APPROVAL OF FINANCING)FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEWPORT)WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PHASE 3 AND)PHASE 4)

CASE NO. 2025-00066

On March 21, 2025, Northern Kentucky Water District (Northern Kentucky District) filed an application, pursuant to KRS 278.020 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 15, seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) and KRS 278.300, requesting authority to issue an evidence of indebtedness.

KRS 278.300(2) provides that the Commission must adjudicate an application for authority to issue an evidence of indebtedness within 60 days of the date that the application was filed. KRS 278.300(2) also provides that the Commission can continue its review of the application for longer than 60 days upon a showing of good cause.

Based upon a review of the application, the Commission finds that an investigation is necessary to determine the reasonable necessity and appropriateness of the request, and that the investigation cannot be completed by May 20, 2025, because evidence of indebtedness is paired with an application for a CPCN. The Commission cannot resolve the financing necessity requirements set forth in KRS 278.300(3) until the need for a CPCN is established. For that reason, the Commission finds that good cause exists to continue the application beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2) so that the Commission can conduct a thorough review of the proposed transaction. However, the Commission is aware that some bids expire on June 4, 2025, and will endeavor to meet that deadline.

The Commission further finds that a procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this case. The procedural schedule is attached as an Appendix to this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Northern Kentucky District's application for approval of the proposed evidence of indebtedness is continued beyond the 60-day period specified in KRS 278.300(2).

2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed. The Commission may amend the procedural schedule as necessary, including to permit filing of intervenor testimony, if intervenors are joined.

3. Northern Kentucky District shall respond to all requests for information propounded by Commission Staff, whether identified on the procedural schedule or otherwise, as provided in those requests.

4. Any party filing a paper with the Commission shall file an electronic copy in accordance with the electronic filing procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked. The Commission directs the parties to the

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Commission's July 22, 2021, Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission.

5. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding that is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest.

6. Any motion to intervene filed after the date established in the procedural schedule shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

7. Witnesses who sponsor schedules, testimony, or responses to requests for information shall participate in person at any hearing scheduled in this matter.

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).

8. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

9. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions to substitute witnesses or excuse witnesses from testifying at Commission hearings. Accordingly, motions to substitute witnesses or excuse a witness from testifying at a Commission hearing or from testifying in person at a Commission hearing shall be made in writing at least 14 days prior to the hearing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Vice Chairman

Commissidger

ATTEST:

Bridwell PP

Executive Director



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APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00066 DATED APR 03 2025

Last day for intervention requests to be accepted	. 04/11/2025
All initial requests for information to Northern Kentucky District shall be filed no later than	. 04/17/2025
Northern Kentucky District shall file responses to initial requests for information no later than	. 04/25/2025
All supplemental requests for information to Northern Kentucky District shall be filed no later than	. 05/09/2025
Northern Kentucky District shall file responses to supplemental requests for information no later than	. 05/16/2025
Last day for parties to request a Public Hearing or submit a request for the matter be decided based upon the written record	. 05/23/2025

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