

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF LAUREL)	
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 2 FOR AN)	CASE NO.
ALTERNATIVE RATE FILING ADJUSTMENT)	2025-00353
PURSUANT TO 807 KAR 5:076)	

ORDER

On November 19, 2025,¹ Laurel County Water District No. 2 (Laurel District No. 2) filed its application with the Commission requesting an adjustment to its water rates pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076.² The Commission established a procedural schedule by Order dated December 4, 2025, that, among other things, required Commission Staff to file with the Commission and serve upon all parties of record a written report (Commission Staff's Report) containing its findings and recommendations regarding Laurel District No. 2's requested water rate adjustment, no later than March 31, 2026.

To gather the necessary information to prepare the Commission Staff's Report and prepare the record for consideration by the Commission, Commission Staff propounded three sets of data requests to Laurel District No. 2. Commission Staff, however, has identified a need for a subsequent request for information.

¹ Laurel District No. 2 tendered its application on November 5, 2025. By letter dated November 17, 2025, the Commission rejected the application for filing deficiencies. The deficiencies were subsequently cured, and the application is deemed filed on November 19, 2025.

² Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:076, Section 7(2), if the Commission has not issued an order after six months from the date an alternative rate filing, the application is deemed filed and the utility may place the proposed rates into effect, subject to refund, pending the Commission's order upon filing written notice with the Commission of its intent to do so. Otherwise, an applicant using the alternative rate filing procedure may not place the proposed rates into effect until the Commission has issued an order approving the rates. 807 KAR 5:076, Section 7(1).

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that the procedural schedule established on December 4, 2025, should be amended to afford Commission Staff the necessary time to request information, prepare and file the Commission Staff's Report. Specifically, the Commission finds that the date for filing the Commission Staff's Report should be extended to April 28, 2026. The amended procedural schedule is attached as Appendix A.

In addition, Laurel District No. 2 shall respond fully to the Commission Staff's Fourth Request for Information attached as Appendix B by the date set forth in the amended procedural schedule and shall respond to any future requests for information propounded by Commission Staff by the date or dates set forth on any such requests.

After Commission Staff's Report is filed on or before the amended deadline of April 28, 2026, Laurel District No. 2 should have 14 days to file a written response to Commission Staff's Report.³ If Laurel District No. 2 does not file written objections to a finding contained in Commission Staff's Report within 14 days after the date of the filing of Commission Staff's Report, it shall be deemed a waiver of all objections to that finding.⁴

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The procedural schedule established on December 4, 2025, is amended.
2. The amended procedural schedule set forth in Appendix A to this Order shall be followed.
3. Commission Staff's Report shall be filed on or before April 28, 2026.

³ 807 KAR 5:076, Section 11(3)(a).

⁴ 807 KAR 5:076, Section 11(3)(c).

4. No later than 14 days after the date of service of the Commission Staff's Report, each party of record shall file with the Commission:


a. Its written comments on and any objections to the findings contained in the Commission Staff's Report; and

b. Any additional evidence for the Commission to consider.

5. On or before the date set forth in Appendix A, Laurel District No. 2 shall file its responses to the Commission Staff's Fourth Request for Information, attached to this Order as Appendix B.

6. All provisions of the Commission's December 4, 2025 Order that are in conflict with the provisions of this Order are vacated, and all other provisions not in conflict with the provisions of this Order shall remain in effect.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Chairman



Commissioner



Commissioner

ATTEST:



Executive Director



APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00353 DATED MAR 27 2026

Laurel District No. 2's Responses to Staff's
Fourth Request for Information shall be filed..... 04/07/2026

Commission Staff's Report shall be filed no later than..... 04/28/2026

APPENDIX B

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2025-00353 DATED MAR 27 2026

COMMISSION STAFF'S FOURTH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO LAUREL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 2

Laurel County Water District No 2 (Laurel District No. 2), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, shall file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on April 7, 2026. The Commission directs Laurel District No. 2 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 response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Laurel District No. 2 shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Laurel District No. 2 obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect or incomplete

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).

when made or, though correct or complete when made, is now incorrect or incomplete in any material respect.

For any request to which Laurel District No. 2 fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Laurel District No. 2 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, Laurel District No. 2 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 Laurel District No. 2's response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information (Staff's First Request), Item 20.

a. Define LWD contribution.

b. Provide copies of contracts or other documents that establishes a basis for the LWD contribution allocation.

2. Refer to Laurel District No. 2's response to Staff's First Request, Item 20, 20_Aditional_Trip_Charge_Cost_Justification.xlsx. Provide a breakdown of the Service Truck expense calculation, including miles driven assumption and the cost per mile amount that was used other documentation explaining the cost.

3. Refer to Laurel District No. 2's response to Staff's First Request, Item 20, 20_After_Hours_Reconnect_Cost_Justification.xlsx. Provide a breakdown of the Service Truck expense, including miles driven assumption and the cost per mile amount that was used.

4. Refer to Laurel District No. 2's response to Staff's First Request, Item 20, 20_Meter_Reread_Charge_Cost_Justification.xlsx.

a. Provide an explanation and detailed description of the LWD contribution.

b. Provide a breakdown of the Service Truck expense calculation, including miles driven assumption and the cost per mile amount that was used or other documentation explaining the cost .

5. Refer to Laurel District No. 2's response to Staff's First Request, Item 20, 20_Meter_Test_Charge_Cost_Justification.xlsx.

a. Provide documentation supporting the cost of an employee to retrieve and to return a meter.

b. Provide documentation supporting the cost / employee time to complete ¼, 1, 15 GPM test.

c. Provide a breakdown of the Service Truck expense calculation, including miles driven assumption and the cost per mile amount that was used or other documentation explaining the cost.

6. Refer to Laurel District No. 2's response to Staff's First Request, Item 20, 20_Regular_Business_Hour_Reconnect_Cost_Justification.xlsx. Provide a breakdown

of the Service Truck expense calculation, including miles driven assumption and the cost per mile amount that was used or other documentation explaining the cost.

7. Refer to Laurel District No. 2's response to Staff's First Request, Item 20, 20_Return_Check_Charge_Cost_Justification.xlsx.

a. Provide an explanation for the Service Truck expense when handling a return check.

b. Confirm whether the financial institution providing service to Laurel District No. 2 charges a fee for deposited checks returned for insufficient funds. If confirmed, describe all factual situation(s) that would give rise to the fee and the fee amount(s).

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