

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC ACCREDITATION AND	)	
APPROVAL OF A PUBLIC SERVICE	)	CASE NO.
COMMISSION WATER PERSONNEL TRAINING	)	2026-00175
SEMINAR AS A WATER DISTRICT	)	
COMMISSIONER TRAINING PROGRAM	)	

ORDER

KRS 74.020(7) requires that this Commission “encourage and promote the offering of high-quality water district management training programs that enhance a water district commissioner's understanding of his or her responsibilities and duties.” KRS 74.020(8) requires the Commission to conduct a program of instruction “to train newly appointed commissioners in the laws governing the management and operation of water districts and other subjects that the Public Service Commission deems appropriate.” Pursuant to these statutory mandates, the Commission conducted a training seminar at 500 Hampton Way, Morehead, Kentucky 40351 on June 23–24, 2026. This seminar included instruction regarding trends in applicable laws and regulations, risk management, and utility administration. The program was also approved by the Energy and Environment Cabinet for 12.75 hours of water operator training.

Based upon a review of the course curriculum, the Commission finds that:

1. The course of instruction provided at this seminar will enhance a water district commissioner's understanding of his or her duties.

2. The seminar conducted at 500 Hampton Way, Morehead, Kentucky 40351 on June 23–24, 2026, should be approved for six credit hours of water district management training, pursuant to KRS 74.020(7), and up to six hours of new water district commissioner training, pursuant to KRS 74.020(8), per day.

3. A course syllabus for the training seminar is attached to this Order as Appendix A.

4. Those individuals appearing in the list of attendees attached to this Order as Appendix B should receive credit for the number of hours that he or she attended the training.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The 2026 Water Personnel Training Seminar, which the Commission conducted at 500 Hampton Way, Morehead, Kentucky 40351, on June 23–24, 2026, is approved for six credit hours of water district management training and six hours of new water district commissioner training, per day.

2. Those individuals appearing in the list of attendees attached to this Order as Appendix B shall receive credit for the number of hours that they attended the training.

3. This case is closed and removed from the Commission's docket.

Entered on this 28th day of July, 2026.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



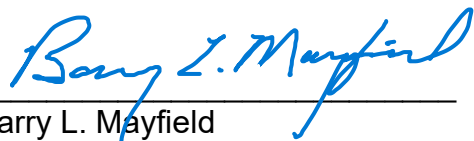
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ATTEST:



Linda C. Bridwell, PE
Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2026-00175 DATED JUL 28 2026

FOUR PAGES TO FOLLOW

2026 Water Commissioners Training Seminar

Presented by the



Kentucky Public Service Commission

June 23-24, 2026

Day One

7:55 - 8:00

Welcome/Overview

8:00 – 9:00

Consumer Services Presented By: Ron Parritt (PSC staff)

This presentation will focus on the regulatory aspects of customer relations. Topics include the Customer Bill of Rights, customer billing disputes, installation and termination of utility service, and the Commission's informal and formal complaint processes. Presenter will also address landlord-tenant utility service issues, imputation of utility bills to family members, and the importance of tariffs and water user agreements.

9:00 – 11:00

Sustainable Infrastructure through Preventative Maintenance Presented By: Kim Padgett (RCAP)

As a water district board member your most important responsibility is to ensure your system can deliver a safe and adequate supply of drinking water to your customers. To assist in that endeavor, this session will explore the assets of a drinking water system, the cost effectiveness of asset management and preventative maintenance, and their importance to system sustainability.

11:00 – 11:15

Break

11:15 – 12:15

PSC Regulatory Requirements Presented By: Amanda Lawson (PSC Staff)

This presentation is a review of the Public Service Commission's jurisdiction over water districts and associations, including the statutory and regulatory requirements that are imposed upon water districts and associations because of their status as public utilities. The importance of seeking advance PSC approval of financing or for deviations from PSC regulations will be emphasized, as will the criteria which the PSC uses to evaluate such requests. Legal requirements for filings, including the necessity of representation by an attorney, also will be addressed.

Day One (Continued)

12:15 – 1:30

Lunch – On Your Own

1:30 – 2:30

Board Operations and Requirements Presented By: Amanda Lawson (PSC staff)

This presentation will cover the basic duties and responsibilities of water district commissioners and directors of water associations. These include the relationship with the county judge/executive and fiscal court, the hiring and supervision of water district senior staff, the conduct of board meetings, board recordkeeping requirements and other aspects of board operations. Requirements of Kentucky open meeting law will be emphasized. As will be best practice for keeping minutes of board meetings.

3:00 – 4:00

Cybersecurity –Cyber Threats Are Real – Leveraging CISA and Other Resources to Help Protect Your Organization- Presented By: Colin Glover (KY CISA)

This course introduces Kentucky water and wastewater operators to cybersecurity threats and fundamentals relevant to water utility operations. Participants will learn common cyber threats facing water and wastewater systems, leadership and operator roles in protecting operational technology (OT) and supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems, and basic practices for identifying, preventing, and reporting cyber incidents. Emphasis is placed on safeguarding critical infrastructure, maintaining system reliability, and supporting regulatory compliance and emergency response requirements.

2026 Water Commissioners Training Seminar

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Day Two

7:55 - 8:00

Welcome/Overview

8:00 – 9:00

Accounting Controls and Internal Auditing Presented By: Jeff Abshire (PSC staff)

PSC Staff will describe common procedures in the proper management of internal controls applicable to small water districts and associations. Additionally, personnel issues and limitations to internal controls will be covered. The presentation will also briefly discuss KRS 74.050 and the duties of the treasurer of a water district with respect to the statute.

9:00 – 10:00

Ethics Presented By: Amanda Lawson (PSC Staff)

Join staff to discuss the ethics laws and the statutory provisions addressing the standards of conduct for water district commissioners and employees as well as directors and officers of nonprofit water associations.

10:00 – 11:00

Ratemaking Basics Presented By: Jeff Abshire (PSC Staff)

PSC staff will discuss ratemaking issues of current interest, including recent changes in Commission treatment of certain expenses, Alternative Rate Filing (ARF), and methods for establishing a utility's revenue requirements. Attention will be given to recurring problems with rate adjustment filings and purchased water adjustment (PWA) applications. The ratemaking consequences of excessive water loss will be covered.

11:00 – 11:45

PSC Water Loss Calculation Form Presented By: Jeff Abshire (PSC Staff)

The presentation will discuss the consequences and impact of excessive water loss in a utility's operations. In addition, PSC staff discuss the requirements for reporting unaccounted-for water loss. This session will take a step-by-step look at the forms and the data and calculations necessary to complete the form.

11:45--1:00

Lunch – On Your Own

Day Two (Continued)

1:00 – 1:30

Inspections and Water Loss Presented By: Taylor Stamper (PSC Staff)

This session will explain how the PSC conducts and follows up on inspection results. The PSC also is placing a greater emphasis on reducing unaccounted-for water loss. This will be a point of emphasis during inspections. The financial consequences of excessive water loss to a utility and to its customers also will be addressed.

1:30 – 3:00

Training and Retaining Your Certification Workforce – Presented By: BJ Bland (KY Division of Compliance Assistance)

This will be an overview of the importance of proper licensing and training requirements concerning certified operators. This training will also focus on the requirements, job duties, and other functions required by operator certification, as well as the importance of the role of elected officials in this process. The relationship between elected officials and operators will also be discussed.

3:00 – 5:00

Kentucky's Underground Facilities Protection Law Presented By: Eric Tout or Jessica Norris-Canfield or Ashely Rhodes (PSC Staff)

This presentation details the responsibilities water utilities have under the Kentucky Underground Damage Prevention Act and best practices to follow to maintain compliance with the Act.

APPENDIX B

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THREE PAGES TO FOLLOW



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July 1, 2026

Re: Case No. 2026-00175

Accreditation and Approval of a Public Service Commission Water Personnel Training Seminar as a Water District Commissioner Training Program.

Attached is a list of the people who attended the 2026 Water Personnel Training Seminar held in person on June 23-24, 2026, at the Hampton Inn in Morehead, KY. Which includes their name, utility or agency, and the number of hours they attended.

If you have any questions please contact Commission Staff,
at PSCWaterTraining@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ron Parritt

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PSC WCT Attendance List

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NAME	UTILITY / AGENCY	HOURS EARNED
Adams Chris	Morgan County Water District	6
Applegate Robert	Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District	6
Bays Marty	Cannonsburg Water District	12
Bentley Jr Luke	Garrison-Quincy-Ky-O-Heights Water District	6
Blair Enoch	Rowan Water, Inc.	12
Bowling Darrell	Big Sandy Water District	6
Cantrell Wade	Morgan County Water District	12
Carpenter Pam	Western Mason County Water District	6
Carroll Jason	Rattlesnake Ridge Water District	6
Collier Karin	Garrison-Quincy-Ky-O-Heights Water District	6
Cordeiro Patty	Morgan County Water District	6
Cox Randy	Rowan Water, Inc.	12
Dehart Duane	Rowan Water, Inc.	12
Esham Gary	Garrison-Quincy-Ky-O-Heights Water District	6
Hampton III Sam	Cannonsburg Water District	12
Ison Steve	Rattlesnake Ridge Water District	6
Johnson Jerry	Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District	6
Johnson Larry	Rowan Water, Inc.	12
Kitchen Rebecca	Rattlesnake Ridge Water District	6
Lemaster William	Morgan County Water District	6
Lowe Lloyd	Big Sandy Water District	6
McGuire David	Big Sandy Water District	6
McGuire Robert	Cannonsburg Water District	12
Melton Burt	Mountain Water District	6
Motley Ellen	Morgan County Water District	6
Patrick Jerry	Rowan Water, Inc.	12.75



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Potter Grondall	Mountain Water District	6
Rice Dwayne	Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District	6
Rogers Stephen	Rattlesnake Ridge Water District	6
Slone James	Mountain Water District	6
Smith Tim	Cannonsburg Water District	12
Staton Randy	Reid Village Water District	12
Steagall Randy	Rattlesnake Ridge Water District	6
Thomas Terry	Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District	6
Vanhooose Pam	Cannonsburg Water District	12
Walker Paul	Big Sandy Water District	6
Wilson Randall	Western Pulaski County Water District	12
Womack Gordon	Big Sandy Water District	6