

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

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March 11, 2024

Mr. Mitchel Brunsma, P.E. Project Manager e-copy: mlbrunsma@jmt.com JMT 109 S 24th Street Middlesboro, KY 40965

RE: CLEARFORK UTILITY DISTRICT (PWSID TN0000826)

Claiborne County

Project Number: DW20240175

Clearfork Utility District AMR & Valve Provisions

Dear Mr. Brunsma:

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources, acknowledges receipt of construction documents for the referenced project on February 19 and March 11, 2024.

This project generally consists of the replacement of approximately 600 existing water meters with ultrasonic AMR meters, including residential cellular modules, a mobile collector, external endpoints, and software. Additional project components include 14 isolation gate valves that will be installed within the distribution system for the purpose of identifying leak locations with all related appurtenances. As indicated by our stamp, this project has been approved for construction.

This letter, with the enclosed engineering documents bearing our official stamp, constitutes approval by the Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for construction of the referenced facility. Approval is granted in accordance with the Tennessee Safe Drinking Water Act of 1983 and Regulations of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas. One complete set of plans and specifications, bearing the official stamp, must be kept at the construction site. Projects utilizing previously approved standard specifications are not required to maintain a stamped copy of the specifications at the construction site. All construction must conform with these approved documents. It is the responsibility of the water utility and/or their engineer to ensure that construction conforms to the plans and specifications.

Approval expires one year from the stamped approval date (March 11, 2024) unless construction is either underway or complete. Deviations from the approved plan documents which may affect the quality or quantity of potable water must be submitted and approved in writing before such changes are made.

The Knoxville Environmental Field Office should also be contacted for determinations regarding whether an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit (ARAP) and/or a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) construction stormwater permit will need to be obtained prior to the beginning of construction of this project.

The Division's appropriate Field Office may desire to schedule an inspection of the construction work to verify compliance with the approved plans and specifications. Therefore the engineer or the water utility shall notify the Knoxville Field Office of the start of construction. This notification may be made by completing and sending the attached "Construction Start Notification" form to the field office.

To expedite matters, please reference the assigned drinking water project number DW20240175 on any future correspondence. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Souraya Fathi at (615) 981-5531 or by E-mail at *Souraya.Fathi@tn.gov*.

Sincerely,

Angela Jones, P.E.

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Manager, Engineering Services Unit

Enclosures: Approved Construction Documents

Construction Start Notification Form

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