

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. W-1146, SUB 13
DOCKET NO. W-1328, SUB 10

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
Application by Red Bird Utility Operating)	
Company, LLC, 1650 Des Peres Road,)	CLARIFICATION AS TO
Suite 303, St. Louis, Missouri 63131, and)	RED BIRD'S VERIFIED
Total Environmental Solutions, Inc., Post)	REPORT REGARDING
Office Box 14056, Baton Rouge, Louisiana)	PUBLIC HEARING
70898, for Authority to Transfer the Lake)	
Royale Subdivision Water and Wastewater)	
Utility Systems and Public Utility Franchise)	
in Franklin and Nash Counties, North Carolina,)	
and for Approval of Rates)	

Red Bird Utility Operating Company, LLC (“Red Bird”) provides this Clarification as to its Verified Report Regarding Issues Raised at Public Hearing filed on October 9, 2023. That Verified Report addressed customer service and service quality complaints described during the public witness hearing held on September 25, 2023. The following statement was included on page 7 of that Verified Report:

While the water for Lake Royale is supplied through an interconnection with Franklin County, it is Red Bird’s understanding that the water tank is in poor condition and has been allowed to deteriorate for many years. The corrosion, rust, sediment accumulation, deteriorated components, and structural failures are all possible issues that have caused or contributed to the water quality issues reported by customers. Red Bird plans to work with Franklin County to identify its capacity to meet state storage requirements and either rehabilitate, replace, or remove the tank which the Company believes will clear up various quality issues experienced by customers.

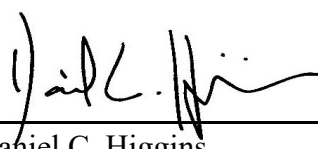
Franklin County construed this statement as suggesting that the water tank at Lake Royale is owned by the County and has requested that Red Bird make a clarifying filing.

The quoted statement was unartfully worded and could possibly be read to suggest the referenced water tank is owned by Franklin County. To correct any misunderstanding on this point, Red Bird hereby clarifies its Verified Report to make clear that the referenced water tank is owned by TESI, and that at closing that water tank and an associated pump will be transferred from TESI to Red Bird. After closing, Red Bird will be solely responsible for the operation, rehabilitation or replacement, and maintenance of that equipment.

WHEREFORE, Red Bird respectfully requests that the Commission accept this Clarification as to its previously filed Verified Report.

Respectfully submitted, this the 6th day of December, 2023.

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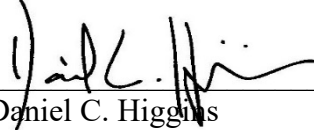
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and exact copy of the foregoing document has been served on counsel of record for all parties in this docket, if any, and the Public Staff, by either depositing same in a depository of the United States Postal Service, first-class postage prepaid and mailed by the means specified below, or by electronic delivery.

This the 6th day of December, 2023.

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