

Commitment to Renewable Energy: Green Invest & Generation Flexibility

KUB Environment, Social and Governance Goal:

Advance the development of 400 MW of new-to-the-Valley renewable energy projects by 2030



Green Invest Review

- Signed in 2020, a first-of-its-kind agreement with TVA to purchase solar from new projects in the Tennessee Valley
- Cost-effective option to add renewable energy to KUB's energy mix
- KUB contracted for 325 MW at three sites:
 - Golden Triangle Columbus, MS (70 MW)
 - Optimist West Point, MS (200 MW)
 - Tullahoma, TN (55 MW)
- Once complete, Green Invest projects will supply clean energy for ~14% of KUB load

Generation Flexibility Review

- Authorized by TVA Power Supply Expanded Flexibility Agreement
- Allows KUB to self-supply 5% of electric load

Generation Flexibility Goals:

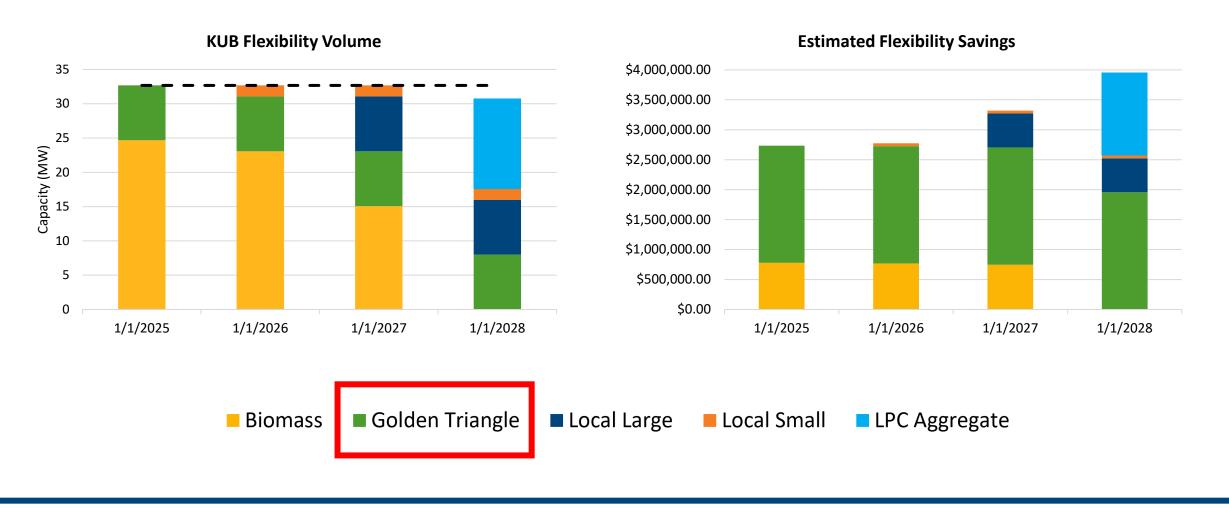
- Achieve significant power cost savings
- Advance ESG renewable energy goal
- Demonstrate KUB's commitment to a cleaner environment



Flexibility Project Preview*

| Project | Estimated Capacity | Expected KUB Board Review | Estimated Operation Date |
|--|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Biomass Project (Three-year short-term) | Non-solar: 15 MW | Fall 2024 | October 2024 |
| Green Invest Conversion | Solar: 20 MW | Fall 2024 | January 2025 |
| LPC Aggregated Project | Solar: 33 MW | Fall 2024 | December 2027 |
| Local Solar Partnership | Solar: ~20 MW | Winter 2024 | December 2026 |
| Small Solar Site(s) | Solar: ~4 MW | Winter 2024 | December 2026 |

Flexibility Project Preview*



Expanded Flexibility Conversion Agreement

- Converts 20 MW of Green Invest solar capacity at Golden Triangle to a Flexibility energy resource
- Projected annual savings of \$2 million
- Secures power purchase price and associated Net Flexibility Credit for 20-year term
- Agreement reflects approximately 25% of KUB Flexibility volume

Resolution 1496

- Authorizes execution of Expanded Flexibility Conversion Agreement with TVA
- Permits President and CEO to make minor revisions to the Agreement in the best interest of KUB
- Takes effect upon passage by the Board



\$111M of New Bonds Sold

- Bonds fund electric and water capital improvements
- Sold competitively on August 7, 2024
- Bonds mature over 30 years
- Sale generated \$114.5M, reflecting premiums and issuance costs
- Large number of bidders
- Rates lower than budgeted
- High-quality bond ratings affirmed

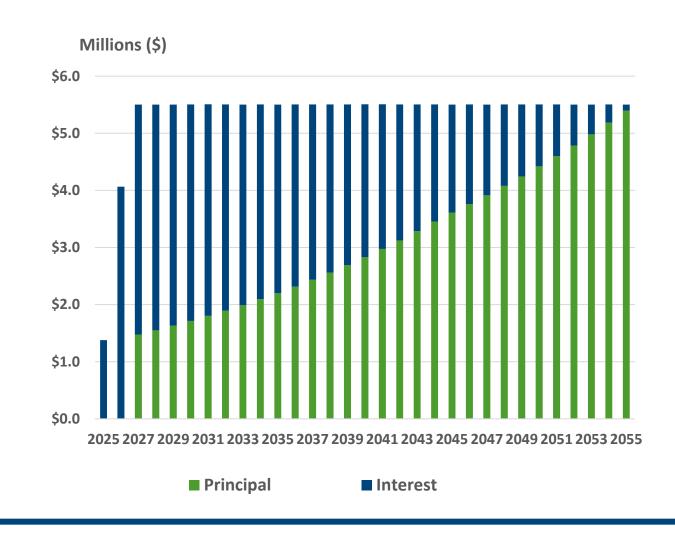
Bids on \$91M Electric Bonds

| Bidder | True Interest Cost (%) |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| J.P. Morgan Securities LLC | 4.056 |
| Mesirow Financial Inc. | 4.065 |
| Robert W. Baird & Co. | 4.099 |
| TD Securities | 4.123 |
| BoA Securities | 4.124 |
| Hilltop Securities | 4.130 |
| Jefferies LLC | 4.148 |
| Wells Fargo Bank, NA | 4.155 |
| Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC | 4.193 |
| Janney Montgomery Scott LLC | 4.258 |

Electric New Debt Issue Profile

| New Bonds | \$91,000,000 |
|------------------|---------------|
| Interest Cost | \$74,068,000 |
| New Debt Service | \$165,068,000 |

- Bonds fully mature in 2054
- Level payback structure
- Callable in 2032
- Total debt outstanding: \$483M



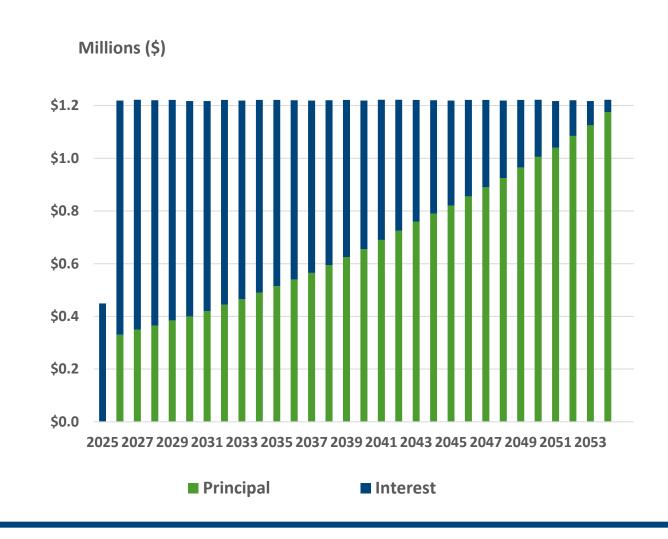
Bids on \$20M Water Bonds

| Bidder | True Interest Cost (%) |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| J.P. Morgan Securities LLC | 4.045 |
| Janney Montgomery Scott LLC | 4.069 |
| Mesirow Financial, Inc. | 4.070 |
| Hilltop Securities | 4.073 |
| Robert W. Baird & Co. | 4.097 |
| TD Securities | 4.151 |
| Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC | 4.263 |

Water New Debt Issue Profile

| New Bonds | \$19,995,000 |
|------------------|--------------|
| Interest Cost | \$15,835,000 |
| New Debt Service | \$35,830,000 |

- Bonds fully mature in 2054
- Level payback structure
- Callable in 2032
- Total debt outstanding: \$217M



Professional Fees for New Bonds

| Cost | Professional Firm | Fee |
|---|------------------------------|-----------|
| Financial Advisor | Cumberland Securities | \$83,750 |
| Bond Counsel | Bass, Berry & Sims | \$99,100 |
| Rating Agencies | Moody's/Standard & Poor's | \$176,975 |
| Paying Agent | Regions Bank | \$1,400 |
| | | \$361,225 |
| Other Costs (POS, OS, Advertising, Misc.) | | \$24,990 |
| | | \$386,215 |

Gas Division Line of Credit

- \$16 million revenue anticipation note
- One-year maturity
- Needed to manage seasonal cash flow
- Approved by State Comptroller
- Received six proposals
- Awarded to Regions Bank

Gas Division Line of Credit (Non-Taxable)

| Bank | Interest Rate | Bank Unused Fee | Total Closing Cost |
|--------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Regions Bank | 4.70 | 0.00% | \$7,500 |
| Truist | 4.66 | 0.00% | \$12,500 |
| Truist | 4.68 | 0.05% | \$7,500 |
| Truist | 4.72 | 0.00% | \$7,500 |
| Pinnacle | 5.25 | 0.00% | \$12,500 |
| Pinnacle | 5.53 | 0.00% | \$0 |

Line of Credit Issued Taxable

- KUB holds cash balances in excess of the 5% reserve threshold for non-taxable issues
- LOC document contains parameters should issue be determined taxable
- Interest rate increases to maintain margin for bank
- Regions awarded at 6% (rather than 4.7% originally bid)





our Vision

KUB creates connections and enhances the quality of life in our East Tennessee communities so everyone can thrive.

our Mission

KUB exists to serve its customers as a trusted partner and steward, providing industry-leading energy, water, and fiber optic services.

we Value

Our Customers

- Our services are safe, reliable, and affordable
- We are committed to great customer service
- Our decisions consider everyone's needs

Our Co-workers

- We put safety first and take care of each other
- We take pride in our hard work and expertise
- We invest in our people

Our Community

- We are committed to a cleaner environment
- We are personally invested in our community
- We help our region grow

Our Culture

- We always do our best and strive for better every day
- We hold ourselves to high ethical standards
- We value diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging for all

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) & Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) Programs

- Outreach and education
- Recruit new contractors and vendors
- Host/attend community events
- Partner with consultant for outreach
- Issue quarterly newsletter
- Monitor and report



FY24 Program Highlights

- Participated in various community events
- Hosted one-on-one meet-and-greet sessions with MBE/WBE firms
- Added 50+ new vendors to KUB's MBE/WBE supplier list
- Awarded contracts to 19 new MBE/WBE vendors (\$8.2M)
- Record-setting year for MBE/WBE expenditures

MBE Success Story: Accurate Contracting Services, Inc.

- Connected at networking event
- Unsuccessful bid attempt
- Education and training on bidding process
- Recent contract awards from KUB
 - 2022 Fleming Center upgrade project
 - 2023 Outlet installations for natural gas water heaters
 - 2023 General carpentry project support
 - 2024 Class A historical office building general contractor support



Procurement Newsletter

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KUB provides more than 486,000 customers in Knox and parts of seven surrounding counties with safe and reliable electric, fiber, natural gas, wastewater treatment, and water services.

KUB Staff Connects with Local Businesses

KUB is committed to ensuring the community's Minority Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, and Small Businesses have an equal opportunity to do business with KUB. Staff members from KUB's Procurement Department regularly connect with businesses through events in the community and by hosting events on KUB's campus.

In March, KUB staff members attended the East Tennessee Purchasing Association's Diversity Business Alliance Expo. KUB connected with multiple vendors and contractors about upcoming work opportunities and shared information about how to connect with KUB in the future.

Additionally, KUB's Procurement and Properties Departments hosted an event for contractors to learn about upcoming work related to the Properties Department. This event allowed contractors to learn about potential opportunities to work with KUB, and allowed KUB to identify skilled professionals who can contribute to KUB's success.









Upcoming Events

City of Knoxville Breakfast

Summer 2024

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KUB Procurement Event

Fall 2024

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Upcoming Opportunities

Supply Agreements:

- KUB logo clothing
- KUB service awards
- Eyewash parts
- Bottled water deliveries
- Steel poles
- Pole mount switches

Service Agreements:

- · Renovating and expanding a locker room
- Stormwater infrastructure
- FOC training facility renovation
- Various HVAC improvements
- Various roofing installations
- Historical office space facility maintenance and repair
- Natural gas, plumbing, and wastewater mechanical contractor services

Other Opportunities:

- Dental insurance
- Vision insurance

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KUB Purchasing Limits

The Procurement Department is responsible for materials, supplies, services, construction, and maintenance purchases separated into these categories:

Small Purchases:

Purchases between \$0-\$14,999: No competition required

Formal Competitive Process:

- Purchases between \$15,000-\$49,999:
 Three written auotes
- Purchases \$50,000+:
 Requires publicly advertised bids

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MBE/WBE Program Impact

| Fiscal Year | Percent MBE / WBE Contract Awards | Total Value MBE / WBE Contract Awards | Percent Majority Contract Awards | Total Value Majority Contract Awards | Total Expenditures |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| 2015 | 10.4% | \$20.6 Million | 89.6% | \$177.4 Million | \$198 Million |
| 2016 | 10.1% | \$19.9 Million | 89.9% | \$175.9 Million | \$196 Million |
| 2017 | 11.7% | \$22.7 Million | 88.3% | \$171.0 Million | \$194 Million |
| 2018 | 10.3% | \$20.6 Million | 89.7% | \$180.1 Million | \$201 Million |
| 2019 | 9.2% | \$21.3 Million | 90.8% | \$210.7 Million | \$232 Million |
| 2020 | 11.7% | \$26.6 Million | 88.3% | \$201.0 Million | \$228 Million |
| 2021 | 8.0% | \$15.8 Million | 92.0% | \$181.4 Million | \$197 Million |
| 2022 | 9.6% | \$20.4 Million | 90.4% | \$192.8 Million | \$213 Million |
| 2023 | 11.3% | \$32.8 Million | 88.7% | \$257.3 Million | \$290 Million |
| 2024 | 10.7% | \$39.4 Million | 89.3% | \$329.2 Million | \$369 Million |

Adding New Firms Each Year

| | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total MBE/WBEs | 87 | 118 | 93 |
| New MBE/WBEs | 24 | 53 | 19 |
| MBE/WBE \$ | \$20.4M | \$32.8M | \$39.4M |

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program

- Implemented December 2020
- Supports small and local businesses
- Business matchmaking
- Creates pipeline for future growth
- Simplified bidding requirements
- 50 or fewer employees and ≤ \$10M revenue
- One-time quotes or bids < \$100k



SBE Program Impact

| Expenditures | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Goal | \$500K | \$500K | \$500K |
| \$ Awarded | \$458K | \$309K | \$518K |

| Suppliers | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 |
|-------------|------|------|------|
| Bids | 13 | 10 | 16 |
| SBE Vendors | 8 | 7 | 12 |
| MBE/WBEs | 4 | 5 | 6 |

Small Business Vendors















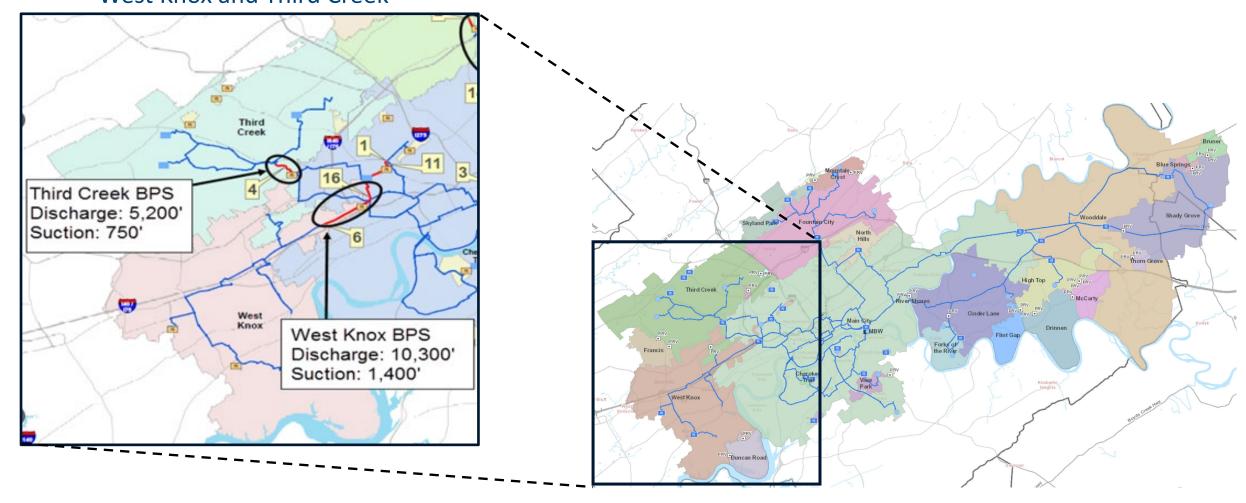






Water System Resiliency

West Knox and Third Creek



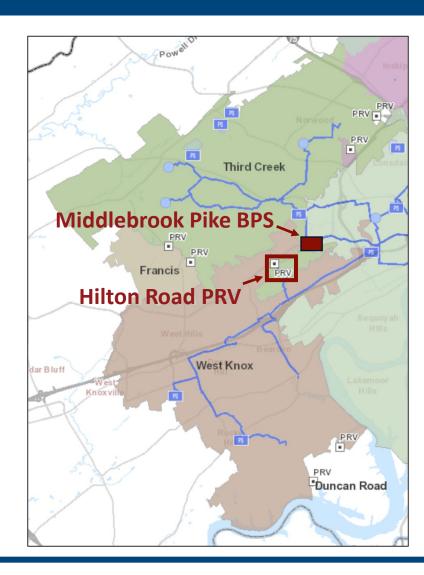
Projects & Benefits

Middlebrook Pike Booster Pump Station (BPS)

- Provides second feed into Third Creek
- Eliminates potential single point of failure at Third Creek BPS
- Allows for rehabilitation of Third Creek BPS
- Ability to pump into West Knox via Hilton Road PRV

Hilton Road Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV)

- Completed in June 2023
- Provides flow into West Knox
- Eliminates potential single point of failure at West Knox Booster Pump Station

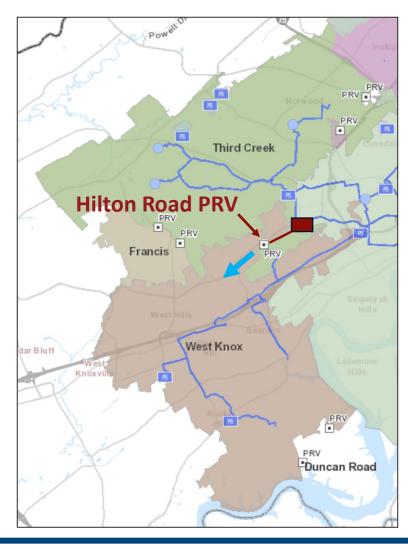


Hilton Road Pressure Reducing Valve









Middlebrook Pike Booster Pump Station

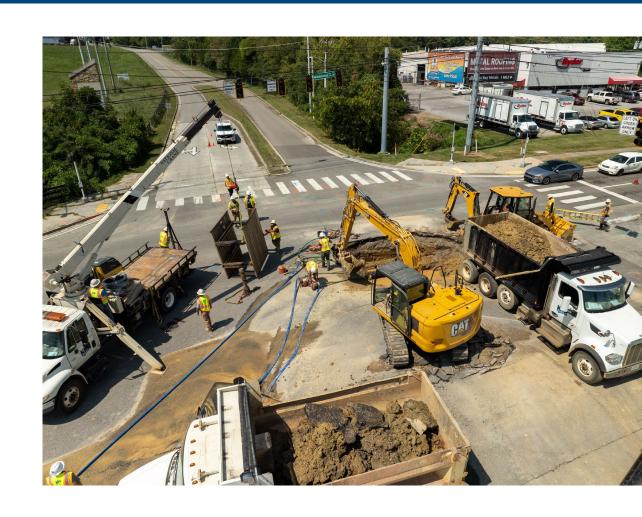
- Construction began in January 2024
- Majority of site work and building construction is complete
- Waiting on MCC and generator
- Substantial completion projected for January 2025
- Discharge line will help feed West Knox via Hilton Road PRV, when needed





Middlebrook & Weisgarber Main Break

- Morning of August 28
- 37 customers affected by broken
 12-inch cast iron water main
- Significant traffic impacts to busy intersection
- Timeline:
 - 10:30 a.m. Leak identified in SCADA
 - 4:30 p.m. Water turned back on
 - 1:30 a.m. Road reopened





Tennessee Municipal Electric Power Association

Community Service Award



TMEPA Presents Community Service Award to KUB for Second Time

- Recognizes utility efforts to improve social, cultural, educational, or economic environments of their communities
- Emphasizes opportunities for employee involvement
- In honor of KUB's efforts for
 - Customer assistance
 - Community involvement
 - Career readiness
 - Diversity, equity, and inclusion
 - And more!







Water Heroes Award Recognizes Boyd's Bridge Emergency Response

- National award recognizes emergency response to the May 2023 water main and wastewater force main breaks
 - No customer service interruption
 - Pumped and hauled wastewater 24/7 for four weeks
 - Installed temporary water and wastewater lines in less than four weeks



KUB Achieves Perfect Score for Sanitary Survey

- Tennessee Department of Environment and Conversation (TDEC) onsite comprehensive inspection of KUB water operations, including:
 - Facilities
 - Treatment process
 - Equipment
 - Distribution network
 - Monitoring and reporting
- Ensures KUB provides safe drinking water for our customers
- Third perfect score in 10 years!



