COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC |) | |
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| CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2012 |) | |
| ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN, FOR |) | |
| APPROVAL OF ITS AMENDED |) | CASE NO. |
| ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY |) | 2012-00063 |
| SURCHARGE TARIFF, FOR CERTIFICATES OF |) | |
| PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, |) | |
| AND FOR AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A |) | |
| REGULATORY ACCOUNT |) | |

ORDER

On July 12, 2012, Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. ("KIUC") filed a motion requesting an extension of time for the filing of intervenor testimony. Under the current procedural schedule, intervenor testimonies are due by July 18, 2012. In support of its motion, KIUC asserts that it has encountered difficulties in obtaining "a fully functioning, validated" database from ACES Power Marketing ("ACES"). As support for its environmental compliance filing, Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers") retained ACES to design a database to run the Ventyx Planning and Risk model used in Big Rivers' production cost modeling. KIUC contends that a fully functioning and validated database is necessary in order for it to be able to reproduce the modeling results used to support Big Rivers' application. Although it has been able to correct some of the run errors, KIUC notes that it will still need additional time to properly reproduce and conduct a thorough analysis of the modeling results used to support Big Rivers' application. KIUC requests that the deadline for intervenor

testimony be extended until July 25, 2012, with data requests to intervenors due on July 27, 2012 and the remaining dates on the current procedural schedule unchanged.

At the request of KIUC, an informal conference was conducted on July 12, 2012 to discuss the issues related to KIUC's motion. Discussions during the informal conference resulted in a unanimous agreement among the parties that the deadline for the filing of intervenor testimony could be extended to July 23, 2012, and the deadline for data requests to intervenors could be extended from July 27, 2012 to July 30, 2012 without causing any adverse impact to the parties. The remaining dates on the current procedural schedule would remain unchanged.¹

Having reviewed the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that KIUC has established good cause to allow for a limited revision of the current procedural schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. KIUC's motion for an extension of time is granted.
- 2. The procedural schedule established by the Commission's June 19, 2012 Order is amended to the limited extent of extending the deadline for the filing of intervenor testimony to no later than July 23, 2012, and extending the deadline for the filing of information requests to intervenors to no later than July 30, 2012.
- 3. All other provisions of the June 19, 2012 Order remain in full force and effect.

¹ Those dates are: Intervenors responses to data requests are due by August 6, 2012; Big Rivers' rebuttal testimony is due by August 14, 2012; and the Public Hearing is scheduled to begin August 22, 2012.

By the Commission

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