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Public Service Commission

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> Re: In the Matter of: An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation from November 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014

Case No. 2014-00230; and

In the Matter of: An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation from November 1, 2012 through October 31, 2014 Case No. 2014-00455

## Dear Mr. Derouen:

Enclosed for filing are an original and ten (10) copies of Big Rivers Electric Corporation's motion to strike the notice of additional authority of Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc., in the above referenced matters. certify that on this date, a copy of this letter and a copy of the motion were served on each of the persons listed on the attached service list by regular mail.

Sincerely,

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21	BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION'S MOT	ION TO ST	RIKE THE NOTICE OF
22	ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY OF KENTUCKY INDI		
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25	Comes Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("Big Rivers	ers"), by cou	nsel, and respectfully
26	moves the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") to strike from the record		
27	the Notice of Additional Authority filed by Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc.		
28	("KIUC"), on February 25, 2015. In support of this motion, Big Rivers states as follows.		
29	KIUC filed its Notice of Additional Authority purp	portedly to p	ut before the Commission
30	an order from a previous six-month review of Big Rivers' fuel adjustment clause, despite the fact		
31	that Big Rivers cited that order in its Post-Hearing Brief <sup>1</sup> and discussed in the brief a separate but		
32	similar order. <sup>2</sup> But KIUC's Notice of Additional Authority goes beyond simply providing the		
33	order to the Commission and instead seeks to belatedly supplement its brief by editorializing on		

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  See Big Rivers' Post-Hearing Brief at p. 3, n. 8.  $^{2}$  See id. at p. 3.

1 the meaning of the order. As such, the Notice of Additional Authority should be stricken from

2 the record.

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3 Additionally, KIUC's interpretation of the order is incorrect. KIUC argues that in the

4 order, the Commission "rejected the allocation of system-average fuel costs to non-firm off-

system sales [and instead] found that allocating incremental fuel costs to non-firm off-system

6 sales was reasonable." As explained in that order, Big Rivers used "its system average fuel cost

7 to allocate fuel costs among its native load customers and firm off-system customers." The

8 Commission found that this was reasonable.<sup>5</sup> Additionally, Big Rivers generally used

9 incremental costs to allocate fuel costs to non-firm off-system sales at that time, but it used

10 system average fuel costs to allocate fuel costs to non-firm off-system sales when its Energy

11 Management System was not functioning properly. 6 The Commission also found that this was

reasonable.<sup>7</sup> Thus, contrary to KIUC's argument that the Commission rejected the use of system

average fuel costs in favor of incremental fuel costs, the Commission actually found that both

14 practices were reasonable.8

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission should strike KIUC's Notice of Additional

16 Authority from the record.

On this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

<sup>3</sup> KIUC's Notice of Additional Authority at p. 1.

<sup>8</sup> See Order dated March 5, 1996, in In the Matter of: An Examination by the Public Service Commission of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation from November 1, 1992 to October

31, 1994, Case No. 94-458, at p. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Order dated March 5, 1996, in In the Matter of: An Examination by the Public Service Commission of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation from November 1, 1992 to October 31, 1994, Case No. 94-458, at p. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See id. at p. 1. <sup>6</sup> See id. at pp. 2-3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See id. at pp. 2-3.

<sup>8</sup> See id. at p. 1; see also Order dated June 19, 1996, in In the Matter of: An Examination by the Public Service Commission of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation from November 1, 1994 to April 30, 1995, Case No. 94-458-A, at p. 2 (explaining that in the March 5, 1996, order in Case No. 94-458, "the Commission implicitly found that, when Big Rivers experienced problems with its Energy Management System, its use of average daily cost as a substitute for incremental cost pricing was reasonable").

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20	Certificate of Service		
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22	I certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing was served by regular mail upon		
23	the persons listed on the accompanying service list, on or before the date the foregoing is filed		
24	with the Kentucky Public Service Commission.		
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26	On this the 6 <sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015,		
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