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Sullivan, Mountjoy, Stainback & Miller Attention: James M. Miller 100 St. Ann Street P.O. Box 727 Owensboro, Kentucky 42302-0727

Re: Big Rivers Electric Corporation

Petition for Confidential Treatment received 4/29/11

PSC Reference - Admin. Case No. 387

Dear Mr. Miller:

The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on April 29, 2011 on behalf of Big Rivers Electric Corporation, ("Big Rivers") to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as being contained in a portion of Big Rivers' Response to Item 11 of the supplemental information to its Annual Report. The information is more particularly described a list of scheduled outages from 2011 through 2015, indicating when generating plants would be down for maintenance.

Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise Big Rivers' competitive position in the industry, which would result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information requested to be held confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Big Rivers' competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.



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If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Big Rivers Electric Corporation is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

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