

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF MEADE COUNTY)
RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)
CORPORATION FOR PASS-THROUGH) CASE NO. 2011-00038
OF BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC)
CORPORATION WHOLESAL RATE)
ADJUSTMENT)

O R D E R

On May 11, 2011, Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Meade County") filed its Response to Staff's Second Information Request. In response to Item 4 thereof, Meade County filed Affidavits of Publication indicating that notice of its proposed rate change had been published in *The Breckinridge Herald-News*, the *Grayson County News Gazette*, *The News Standard* (Meade County), the *Ohio County Times News*, and the *Meade County Messenger*. Meade County's service territory includes the counties of Breckinridge, Grayson, Hancock, Hardin, Meade, and Ohio.

On June 24, 2011, the Commission issued an Order directing Meade County to publish notice of its proposed pass-through of Big Rivers Electric Corporation's ("Big Rivers") wholesale rates in a newspaper of general circulation in each of its service territories of Hancock and Hardin Counties in newspapers that qualify under KRS 424.120, and to file with the Commission proof of that publication within 15 days of publication.

On June 30, 2011, Meade County filed an Affidavit of Mr. Burns E. Mercer, President/CEO of Meade County, stating that Meade County had mailed via first class mail notice of its proposed rate change to its 51 customers in Hardin County and its 11 customers in Hancock County.

Based on the evidence in the record, the Commission finds:

1. 807 KAR 5:007, Section 1(7)(a), which is incorporated by 807 KAR 5:007, Section 2(2), allows a distribution cooperative to provide notice of a proposed rate change to reflect a change in the rates of its wholesale supplier to be given by notice mailed to all customers.

2. Meade County has appropriately notified its customers in Hardin and Hancock Counties of the proposed change in rates to reflect a change in the rates of Big Rivers, its wholesale supplier.

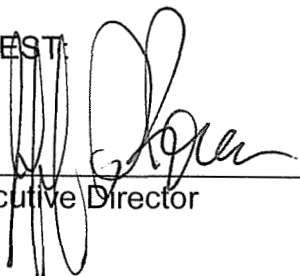
3. Meade County is in substantial compliance with the requirements in the Commission's Order of June 24, 2011 regarding publication of notice in Hardin and Hancock Counties of its proposed pass-through of Big Rivers' wholesale rates.

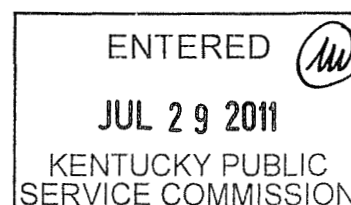
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

Meade County's notice by mail to customers in Hardin and Hancock Counties is accepted as substantial compliance with the publication requirement set forth in the Commission's June 24, 2011 Order.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director



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