COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

THE APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES) COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE) AND NECESSITY TO APPLY FOR AN ELECTRIC) CASE NO. 8161 FRANCHISE FROM CERTAIN CITIES IN KENTUCKY)

ORDER

On the 26th day of February, 1981, Kentucky Utilities Company filed its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to bid on electric franchises from the Cities of Washington, Glencoe, London and Eubank, Kentucky. Pursuant to the provisions of KRS 278.020(3) no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from the Commission based on a finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

A hearing in this matter was held in the Commission's offices at Frankfort, Kentucky on March 17, 1981.

The Commission, having considered the matter and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that there is a need and demand for electric service in the Cities of Washington, Glencoe, London and Eubank, Kentucky. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to a determination as to whether there is a need and demand for the service, no finding or determination is made herein as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by the Cities or the manner



in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED That Kentucky Utilities Company be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity to bid on electric franchises in the Cities of Washington, Glencoe, London and Eubank, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That Kentucky Utilities Company, should it become the successful bidder, file with the Commission a copy of the franchises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in the Cities.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of March, 1981.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

Secretary