COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

THE APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY POWER)

COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)

CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY) CASE NO. 8978

AUTHORIZING THE APPLICANT TO)

OBTAIN A FRANCHISE IN THE CITY)

OF WORTHINGTON, GREENUP COUNTY,)

KENTUCKY

ORDER

On February 3, 1984, Kentucky Power Company filed with the Commission its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on an electric franchise from the City of Worthington, Greenup County, Kentucky. Under 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 this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for electric service in the City of Worthington, Greenup County, Kentucky. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by said city or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Kentucky Power Company be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity which authorizes it to bid on an electric franchise in the City of Worthington, Greenup County, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kentucky Power Company, if it becomes the successful bidder, file with this Commission copies of the said franchise.

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

Done at Frankfort, Rentucky, this 8th day of February, 1984.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary